# Sive the Sift of Dignity

HRH believes that everybody is somebody and everyone deserves our respect and our help. Your compassion can make a difference. You and your organization can change the face of poverty today by making the decision to help HRH help; someone in a crisis, a veteran in need of services, a homeless man, a homeless woman and her children, an ExOffender in transition, an unemployed person, or a senior struggling just to survive. Your generosity can help others kick bad habits, gain employment, go back to school and transform their lives. Please join us at HRH in our fight against poverty and reduce homelessness. With you, we can meet the needs of thousands in the Indianapolis Metro area.

# **DONATE**:

Please make checks payable to "HRH" and mail to:

Homeless & ReEntry Helpers, Inc. 916 E. Michigan St. Indianapolis, IN 46202

Email us at:

Helpers@IndyHelpers.com

**Donation Web Site:** www.HelpHRH.com

## **VOLUNTEER:**

If you would like to serve, teach a training workshop, mentor a client, or help raise awareness, contact: HRH at (317) 635-0500 ask for our Director of Community Services.

### **Homeless & ReEntry Helpers**

We provide the following services to our **Veterans**, **ExOffenders**, **Seniors** and **Homeless friends** who may be experiencing problems with housing, extended unemployment, newly released from prison or seniors with complications. We seek to connect our clients with goods, services and much needed resources:

- Support Coaches who assist in the process of navigating traumatic and life altering events such as homelessness, addiction and incarceration
- Information and Referral services for housing assistance, rent and utility assistance
- Employment referrals and job preparation that includes attire for interview and some transportation assistance
- Daily hot meals and sack lunch's served to clients through HHOOT'S Diner
- Earn a computer program
- Earn a bike program
- Free haircuts (2nd Tuesday of each month)
- Recovery and spiritual counseling programs
- Construction training for ExOffenders in our property rehab program
- Clothing and personal hygiene items
- On site referral services to: training classes, workshops that address addictions, wellness, education, anger management, life skills, enterprise development, etc.

"We may not be able to help everyone get everything they need, but that doesn't stop us from trying."

Don Hawkins, Founder & CEO







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Who we help: One Friday afternoon, a young woman called HRH after being told by another organization they wouldn't be able to assist her but maybe HRH could. This mother of three children ages 7, 10 and 12 was confused.



went to pick her up. She was new to the City of Indianapolis, with no family support or friends to help the immediate need. All the local shelters were full but our team went to work calling all over Central Indiana. We worked with a

program in Kokomo to give this family a fresh start. A member of the HRH family drove them to Kokomo that evening. This family is now established in a community and in school and employed.

A father of two had been struggling with a crack cocaine addiction for fifteen years. He was staying with an uncle for three weeks. He contacted our office for addiction assistance. We were able to get him into a treatment program and strengthen his support team.



Today he is employed full time with a healthy and stable living environment for him and his children.

A Vietnam Veteran who had recently been incarcerated was volunteering at HRH and needed housing assistance.



We were able to navigate VA programs to get additional funds for an injury which enabled him to move into decent housing and purchase a used car.

All it takes is a dedicated caring HRH Support Coach who takes the time to listen, learn and help.

Will you please help continue this necessary work of meeting the needs of our Homeless Friends, Veterans, Seniors and returning ExOffenders?

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# I am an ExOffender I live in a car Helpers I am a veteran We live in a park I live in an abandoned building I AM A HELPER I AM HUNGRY I am a student I sleep on somesone's couch

Why HRH: Most people who need meaningful employment, adequate housing, reliable transportation, quality food and appropriate clothing do not have the information and tools they need to find help. Don Hawkins founded Homeless & ReEntry Helpers, Inc. (HRH) in 2008 as a non-profit 501(c)(3) for that very reason, to help those in need, find the goods and services they needed to help them succeed. Don is a former Marine (Vietnam Veteran) and ExOffender who also found himself in a homeless situation a few years ago so he knew first hand the plight of those in need. Don's initial mission was to offer an informational and referral web site to the Homeless and ReEntry industry. Since forming HRH that mission has been expanded to include offering assistance to those in need who are living on the streets of Indy. Now, volunteers from local churches and other service organizations (we call our Helpers) visit HRH to help our clients and friends in need. HRH consider ourselves to be a Christian-Based organization that serves both Faith-Based and Secular clients. All faiths are always welcome at HRH & HHOOT's Diner.

