

...A SAFE PLACE TO GET BACK UP...

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August 2024 Newsletter

Updates from the Beggarman Ministries!

Thank you for being a part of helping us create a safe place for men to get back up. We cannot do this thing alone, and each person God brings to help us is a gift. So THANK YOU!

*Victories of this last month! - some cool things we have witnessed!

1 - Graduate of Grandma's House! Beggarman Ministries has another "graduate" from our program! On July 25, 2024, Josiah moved out of our transitional house. Josiah came to us from a rehab program in Kentucky and lived with us for 8 months. He has been a blessing to the community and we will miss having him around! Josiah is working full time, bought his own car, has a steady place to live and is growing in his faith. He was also our "car czar" at the house and helped organize rides for the dudes. We love Josiah and are excited to see what God has next for him as he begins this next chapter of his life. Stay tuned for a video interview of Josiah's experience!

Pic of Josiah, our most recent graduate! (pic with Eric, Mikey & Ali)



Awesome volunteers helping install new subfloor



2 - Subfloor is done! - we have been working for the last 4 months to complete the subfloor of the house. 2 local churches, Saint Vincent DePaul & Hope Community, donated money and labor to replace all the damaged subfloors in over half the house! We finally got that step done and we are on to drywall and mudding! We are finishing 2 rooms to accommodate more men in the house.



- **3 Growing Donations & Support!** We have growing donations, support and local church connections Over the last 2 months, we have had many many people donate household goods, toiletries, food, lawn mowers, vehicles and money! We are SOOO blessed by the generosity of those who believe in this ministry and are generously supporting us. Thank you for helping us be able to tell these men that they are LOVED, they are VALUABLE, there is always HOPE, and they are safe.
- **4 New Board Members!** Julie Jennings & Jeff Johnson joined our board of Directors! we were honored and thankful to add 2 new members to our board of DYNAMIC humans! Julie is now our acting recording secretary, and Jeff is a gifted addition to our treasurer team! Thank you God for the amazing Board of Directors that help create structure, wisdom & depth to this important mission.

5 - New Website! - Thanks to Beggarman Ministry friends David Sprinkle & Danl Blackwood, we have a new website and domain! Sprinkle set up our website and is an amazing blessing! Please check us out at www.BeggarmanMinistries.org!!

*Challenges we have faced - Hurdles & difficulties...



1 - Keno keeps escaping - we have the BEST house dog ever! But this loving, friendly, happy puppy is also an incredible escape artist! These last 2 months we have had to chase Keno down a few times and are in the process of paying a "Dog @ Large" ticket to Andover Court. So, we are trying to learn how to keep Keno contained and not get any more fines!

David Sprinkle website jedi master



2 - Changes in Residents - As of 3 weeks ago, we accepted the 17th man into our program. Along with this change, we are down to 4 residents in the house - some left for positive reasons & some not. Change can be difficult, and having men leave the house changes the culture and environment. We have had some guys who needed to leave due to the consequences of some unhealthy choices. We have also had a recent graduate. So, while we pray and believe that God is going to bring the right men to our community, it is also challenging to say goodbye to those we have grown to love as brothers in our midst. Please pray that the Lord brings the right men to us, and please keep the men and the community in your prayers as we navigate each season of change.

*Upcoming News & Events!

Sun Aug 18 - 8:30am & 11am - Eric sharing worship & beggarman vision @ Andover UMC morning services! Sun Aug 25 - 11am - Eric sharing worship & beggarman vision @ DeGraff Church near El Dorado, KS Sat Sept 7 - 8am-noon - Beggarman work day @ Grandma's House! Please bring tools & join us! Fri Sept 20-21 - 5pm - Men's Overnight Campout @ Hope Community Church! Sun Sept 22 - 9:30am & 11am - Eric sharing in worship @ Chapel Hill UMC morning services Sun Dec 8 - Holiday Celebration Concert for Beggarman Friends, Family & Supporters! (Location & Time TBD)

*Ways to Help the Beggarman Mission & Vision!

1 - Prayer support. Our greatest desire is to show the value & Love of Jesus to each dude that God brings us. We can't do that without prayer. We need prayer to remember who the REAL enemy is, and to hold on to the truth of Jesus's Love and purpose for us as we seek to keep our eyes on Him!

- **2 Financial Support** All gifts are tax-deductible. You can give 3 ways.
 - scan **QR code** to give thru paypal & credit card & join our monthly support team.
 - write checks payable to "Beggarman Ministries PO Box 34 Andover, KS 67002
 - direct bank draft contact Treasurer Laurie Blaha @ Laurie@hopecc.net.
- <u>3 Donated Items for the house</u> you can bring stuff over or order stuff from our amazon wishlist! https://amzn.to/4e6uomz
- **4 Join us for Grandma's House work days!** First Saturday of each month 8am-noon! We could sure use help! <u>Sept 7</u>, <u>Oct 5</u>, <u>Nov 2</u>, <u>Dec 7</u>!

