

# Boulware Mission Celebrating 90 Years of Service to the Community

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## SHARED GRATITUDE

SOME THOUGHTS FROM OUR CURRENT RESIDENTS

*"Since I have been here at Boulware, I have learned how to live a responsible and productive lifestyle."*

*"I feel like I've had a second chance to get back on my feet and start a fresh beginning."*

*"I had been in an abusive relationship for 4 years. I thought I couldn't leave...Now, I know...I can do this on my own."*

*"Boulware has given me a second chance at life. I now feel better prepared to deal with daily challenges. I no longer feel unworthy of the things God has blessed me with."*

*"It's nice to have people believing in me and supporting me again."*

*"I have a safe place to call home here."*

*"Boulware is a good place; it saved my life. I did not know where I was going in life until I got here."*

*"Boulware has helped me become an adult, have responsibilities, and care about others."*

*"Boulware has given me a family since I don't have any of my own."*

*Giving is not your chance to bless someone else, but God's chance to bless you.*



## YOU'RE INVITED



The Mission will be holding an Open House on Wednes-

day, December 14th from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Each hour beginning at 2:30, one of our clients will share their testimony of how Boulware has helped change their life.

Tours will be offered immediately following testimonies.

Please come out and enjoy some finger foods, home-made candy, and share in the festivities.

## MISSION WISH LIST



- Bed Pillows
- Bleach/Disinfectant
- Christmas Decorations
- Gift Cards
- Industrial Food Processor
- Industrial Mixer
- Paper Towels
- Razors/Shaving Cream
- Scrubbing Pads
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Stamps

For a complete list of Mission needs, please visit us online at: [www.boulwaremission.org](http://www.boulwaremission.org)

# 'Tis the Season



## BOULWARE AWARDED IMPACT 100 GRANT

On October 27th, Boulware Mission and Owensboro Community & Technical College were name recipients of Impact 100 Owensboro's 2011 grants of \$103,500 each.

Boulware's project will allow continued renovation to the Mission's facility on Wing Avenue.

Currently, Boulware has the capability of housing 78 people (16 women and 62 men). Women live in the west wing of the ground floor and reside in dormitory-style rooms.

The men reside barracks-style in the Mission's east and west chapels. The 31 bunk beds that comprise their living quarters are extremely close together and provide for little personal space and/or dignity.

In addition, the Mission has only 3 showers available to all 62 men.

Sadly, many clients end up leaving the program early because they can't tolerate communal living any longer. When this happens, they are deprived of the tools they need to end the cycle they are in. The best results come from those who stay until they are mentally, financially, and emotionally ready to leave.

The money awarded through Impact 100 is designated to be used for the renovation of two living quarters and one bathroom upstairs. The project will more than double the current living space available. It will add 2 showers and 3 latrines and will allow enough space to add additional beds.

The beds located in the east chapel will be moved upstairs, while the west chapel will remain a living quarters for those who cannot physically climb the stairs each day. The east chapel will be returned to it's original use as a place of

worship and fellowship.

The Executive Board, staff, and residents are extremely grateful to Impact 100 for their gift.

This is the second grant awarded to Boulware from Impact 100 since it was founded in 2006. The first was in 2007 for renovation of the kitchen.



Pictured are Boulware Board Member, Wanda Cecil, and Leigha Taylor, Director of Development, at the Impact 100 Annual Banquet

## BOULWARE RECEIVES DONATION FROM HBAO

The Home Builders Association of Owensboro presented Boulware a check for \$7,500 on October 11th.

Boulware was selected to receive the contribution after a successful HBAO fundraiser in September.

The HBAO wanted to do something to help the homeless of our community work towards a new start on life.

Because it is unrestricted, the donation will be used to help pay operating costs for the Mission.

Many of the grants received

by Boulware are ear-marked for a specific purpose or project.

Unrestricted monies are always a need as the shelter has numerous monthly expenses; including: mortgage payments; electricity, gas, & water; food; telephone; internet & cable; computers, printing, and general office expenses; staff salaries and more.



Pictured are Wanda Cecil, Leigha Taylor & John Payne, President of the HBAO



## CHARITABLE RECEIPTS

As a 501(c)3 charitable organization, all donations made to Boulware are tax-deductible.

It has been our practice to send a donation receipt/letter after each gift that comes in. In an effort to streamline bookkeeping systems, we will begin sending one receipt at the end of each calendar year in 2012.

This new system will both

save the Mission money and cut down on receipts that our repeat givers have to keep up with for tax purposes. We will be happy to provide email acknowledgements to anyone who requests them. Please email Janie at: [jcarrico@boulwaremission.org](mailto:jcarrico@boulwaremission.org) to do so. As always, thank you to all of our benefactors! We hope this change does not inconvenience anyone.



**AID THE HOMELESS® BENEFIT**

The Greater Owensboro REALTOR® Association is hosting the first annual Aid the Homeless® Benefit on Saturday, March 24, 2012 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Owensboro Museum of Fine Art.

The Benefit will raise money for four area homeless shelters, including Boulware Mission. The two hour event

will include eclectic ensembles of musicians, hors d'oeuvres, wine, and readings and comments from notable guests.

Sponsors and ticket holders have the privilege of choosing which shelter will receive the benefit from their donation.

To become a sponsor or purchase tickets, contact the Greater Owensboro REALTOR® Association at: (270) 685-4977 or email: darlenereiners@owensbororealtors.com.

Please, remember to indicate that you wish to support Boulware through this endeavor.

*“Being at Boulware has renewed me spiritually and mentally from where I was when I came in. I had strayed from God and my family, not knowing who I really was. I’m getting to know Christ again and trying to figure out exactly who I am. Since being here, I like myself more and hope to love myself someday. I want to be happy and live again!”*

**2012 GOLF SCRAMBLE**

Don Moore Automotive Team & Overflow Café present the Boulware Mission 2nd Annual Golf Scramble to be held Friday, August 17, 2012 at Ben Hawes Golf Course.

The first event was a huge success with over 70 participants and 50 sponsors. Golfers had a great day and

everyone went home with a prize. The event included great hole-in-one prizes; including a 2011 Camaro!

Next year’s scramble is shaping up to be even better than the first! Contact Leigha Taylor at the Mission to sign up as a sponsor or to reserve your team today.

**GIVE THE GIFT OF A NEW BEGINNING...**

All too often, people buy random gifts that either their recipients do not want or need because they have trouble picking something out...a donation to Boulware Mission in someone’s name is the perfect gift! It is a gift that not only benefits those in need, but also makes the gift giver and recipient feel great.

Boulware Mission provides a caring, compassionate “Home for New

Beginnings” to the homeless. The Mission transforms the lives of those less fortunate, through shelter, education, rehabilitation, and treatment; and empowers them to achieve healthy, independent living. Your gift can make a difference!

This year, please consider giving to those in need—when you do, everyone wins and your money goes toward something special.

To make a donation in someone’s name, use the enclosed donation envelope. We will send an acknowledgement that the gift has been made in their honor and will be happy to include your personal message.

For more information about giving in someone’s honor, contact the Mission.

*“Since arriving here, I’ve experienced warmth, kindness, and new friendships. I’ve been able to learn about coping skills and managing my life, after so long of it being unmanageable. I’m getting to know who I am and what I have to offer myself, my family, and my community. I plan on going back to school and getting my degree in counseling kids. I want to show that just because you get to the bottom, you don’t have to stay at the bottom.”*



*Our Mission is to alleviate homelessness, one life at a time, through education, treatment, and services.*

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