



## June - 2017 Rescue Mission of El Paso



My name is Carlos. **I never thought I would be living in a shelter.** I had a good job and was providing for myself. I lost most of my property as a victim of crime. Then I had a terrible accident and injured my right leg. Since I am a diabetic, I lost blood flow to my right foot. After several failed medical treatments, I had no choice but to have **my leg amputated** just below the knee.

By the time I was discharged from the hospital **all of my resources were gone**, I could not work, and I came to the Rescue Mission with a wheelchair, the clothes I had on, and not much else. What I found at the Rescue Mission was a beautiful new facility, helpful people, and a separate part of the building designed just for people needing medical attention.

They even have a full-time registered nurse who has been wonderful in helping me manage my pain and diabetes.

Everyone at the Mission is expected to do their part. I would roll my wheelchair to the door of the dining room, collect meal tickets and pass out napkins to all the people coming in for their meals. The job helped me meet everyone who was staying at the Mission. Many of them had problems worse than mine, but we learned to support each other.



I have now been living in the Mission almost six months, and there has not been one day that I have not felt the presence of Jesus with me. I feel a little like Job from the Old Testament. The more I have lost, **the more I focus on God** to guide me through rebuilding my life.

Three weeks ago my doctor fitted me with my new leg and I kicked that wheelchair away. My doctor was amazed. He said that in 30 years of fitting people with prosthetics, I was only the second person who could walk on the new leg the first day. **I could feel Jesus holding me up.** I am still going back for adjustments, and each adjustment creates a new pain somewhere, but each day I am getting a little better.

I thank God for the Rescue Mission, and thank you for the support you are providing. I don't know what would have happened to me as a homeless diabetic without a leg. Now I can see a future and I have hope. **Your gifts to the Rescue Mission give hope and a future for others like me. Thank you.**

### LUNCH WITH A MISSION JULY 12<sup>TH</sup>

Join us for our summer **"Lunch with a Mission"** on Wednesday **July 12<sup>th</sup>** at 11:30! Enjoy a delicious meal while learning about our vision and how you can help.

**RSVP to Teresa by June 30<sup>th</sup>**  
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