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# You Helped Robin Find New Life

n the first 12 years of Robin's life, he was abandoned by his mother and father. He was abused and terrorized by his alcoholic uncle. Then his aunt, the one person who actually cared about him, passed away. Sadly, his suffering was just beginning ...

After his aunt died, 12-year-old Robin tried to fill the vacancy in his heart with alcohol and marijuana, which soon became a daily routine. By his teens, he had spiraled into hard drug addiction, which led to a tragedy that would forever change his life. One night, blinded by drugs, Robin shot and killed a friend who was trying to take his car keys.

Wracked with guilt and remorse, Robin remembers being glad when the sheriff came to arrest him. At the young age of 17, he was sentenced to life in prison.

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Easter Changes Everything

KC Wolf



## **Director's Message**

#### Eric Burger, Executive Director

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! -2 Corinthians 5:17, NIV

This spring is all about new beginnings at Shelter KC. As the new Executive Director, it's certainly a new beginning for me. And I couldn't be more excited about what God has in store for the mission, and the opportunity to partner with you in this life-changing work.

I truly believe God has called me to this place at this point in time. And I know in my heart that with our amazing staff and with help from friends like you who are equally committed to rescuing homeless and hurting people in Jesus's name — lives will start anew.

Indeed, Easter at Shelter KC will be a time of fresh starts for men and women seeking restoration and real hope. As they discover new life in Christ, hearts will begin to heal and lives will be transformed from the inside out.

I look forward to partnering with you in the days ahead, as we work to build a bridge between suffering neighbors and those of us who see them for who they are... beloved children of God.

Thank you for joining with me to do His work, at Easter and throughout the year!

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## **Complete Easter Meal...** \$2.07 Each!

Just \$2.07 is all it takes to provide a hot, delicious meal for a homeless person this Easter. And that's just the beginning because a meal at Shelter KC, served with love and respect, is often the first step toward a new life filled with hope and promise. Imagine all the good vou can do:

We're expecting a large attendance this Easter season. Please mail your generous gift today using the reply slip enclosed. Or give now at ShelterKC.org.

## "I knew something miraculous had happened."

### A New Life Begins

After spending 40 long years behind bars, Robin awoke one day to find out life had taken a very unexpected turn. He was being set free... immediately. A Supreme Court ruling held that mandatory sentences of life without the possibility of parole for juveniles are unconstitutional. So, with \$18 in his pocket, no family, and no time to make any plans, Robin walked out of the prison and straight into homelessness.

Unsure what to do or how to start over, Robin turned to alcohol. "I wasn't drinking much, but I realized I was starting to look forward to it every day," he says. "I was without routine or structure. I saw where it was headed."

Robin came to Shelter KC and entered our prove Christian Community of Recovery program, which is made possible through the generosity friends like you. One night, while reading a short Now in the transitional phase of our program, prayer from his homework assignment, he found Robin is doing well and looks forward to his new himself crying out to God for guidance. The next life in Christ. "The whole staff shows me what morning, when he knelt to pray, another life-Christianity really is," he says. changing moment occurred.

#### New lives and new beginnings start here





Mail your Easter gift today, or donate online at ShelterKC.org.



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#### Your continued support today will help more men like Robin find new life filled with hope!



Thank you!

### Follow Super Bowl Champion KC Wolf's Lead and Make a Difference!



As the city celebrated the Kansas City Chiefs winning the Super Bowl, did you know Dan Meers, also known as KC Wolf, is no stranger to Shelter KC? On multiple occasions he's brought his infectious energy to our campus to help raise support and shed light on the plight of homeless and hurting people in our community.

You can follow KC Wolf's lead this Easter by sending a special gift to help feed our most vulnerable neighbors. You can also drop off clothing, shoes, and other personal items to let our guests know you care. (Visit shelterkc.org to see our list of currently needed items.)

Thank you for standing with KC Wolf to spark hope in the lives of people in need!

#### Lives you have touched last month





456 people attending chapel services



4,352 nights of safe shelter



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My Easter gift for new hope and new beginnings:

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