



# MIAMI RESCUE MISSION & BROWARD OUTREACH CENTERS

*Serving the Homeless since 1922*

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## Your Special Help is Needed!

Dear Caring Place Friend,

Our Centers in Miami-Dade and Broward counties are closely monitoring the COVID-19 outbreak and are taking precautions every day to ensure the safety of our men, women, and children experiencing homelessness, staff, visitors and volunteers. During this coronavirus pandemic, we continue to serve those in our communities who are at great risk.

Our staff is actively following the guidelines and directives as information becomes available from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and industry experts. We have increased cleaning routines and made sanitizing stations freely available.

### Here is what we are doing to help protect our residents and our community:

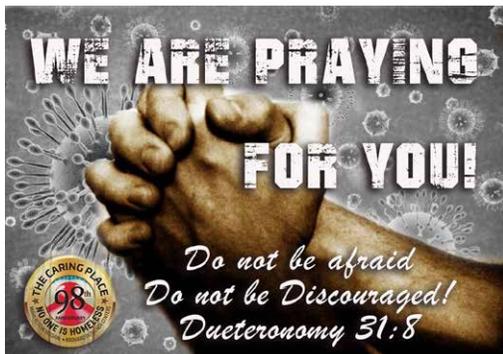
- Increasing our cleaning frequency throughout the day
- Heightening protocol on all sanitation efforts
- Educating our employees on preventative measures provided by the CDC
- Ensuring that all standard operating procedures are being strictly upheld

We are helping our homeless population practice social distancing and by having people “shelter in place” which means we are housing all of our residents for 24 hours a day, seven days a week. These efforts have increased the costs of ministry operations significantly.

We are serving more meals, giving out more supplies, using more paper goods, increasing the load on our utilities, and finding more ways to occupy our guests. Our Miami Center for Men continues to provide over 250 boxed meals a day for the unsheltered homeless. We need your help!

We are working tirelessly to combat the spread and impact of the coronavirus in the groups we serve — the poorest of the poor. Often, these people have complicating factors that make them much more susceptible to life-threatening challenges: the homeless, the elderly, the mentally ill, people with HIV, Hepatitis C, and drug and alcohol addictions. We are also helping those who are alone — not because they are self-isolating, but because they have few friends or relatives...no one to inquire about their well-being and take action if needed.

Last month we held special celebrations for Passover and Easter (safely). We will be having special Mother's Day celebrations in our Centers in May. Please send in your best gift today and help others during these very challenging times or donate online at [www.caringplace.org/virus](http://www.caringplace.org/virus).



We are praying for you and your loved ones, please continue to pray for the men, women, and children in our centers, our staff, volunteers, our country, and for each other.

All God's best to you! Stay safe and healthy,

*Ronald Brummitt*

Rev. Ronald Brummitt,  
President



# Together We Serve Those in Need!



We will be having special Mother's Day Celebrations and doing so with safety and proper precautions. What very difficult times for our families.



Passover and Easter were celebrated, but we did not have our normal giant block outreach. Everyone received special gifts and opportunities to worship.



Special thanks to all of the **Rapid Recovery Team** ([www.rapidrecoveryteam.com](http://www.rapidrecoveryteam.com)) who came to our Centers and provided a thorough sanitizing and disinfecting of all areas. This was a volunteer project and was welcomed by all. They do mold, fire, and flood mitigation and wanted to give back to the community. They can be reached at 844.400.7274.



We have been able to pass out masks and food to the unsheltered. There are also sanitizing stations available. We will be slowly opening our doors as soon as it becomes feasible and safer.



## You Can Help From Home!

While you are at home, this is a great time to do some spring cleaning and help others in need. We operate a thrift store located at 8700 NW 7 Ave. in Miami. The store has been closed during the health crisis, but we hope to reopen it during the month of May. This store sells items that have been donated and can not be used in our Miami or Broward Centers. It is also a place to help train men and women for future

jobs and how to become better employees. Our Centers serve nearly 800 people every day and always need furnishings, clothing, and items that our graduates can use once they find their own housing. In abundance of caution, you are welcome to drop off items at our centers, or we can schedule a pickup from your house or place of business. Simply leave the items in a place for our staff to retrieve. We will leave a tax donation slip. For more information, please visit: [www.caringplace.org/pickup](http://www.caringplace.org/pickup).