

Dear Sunrise Rotary Club,

Below you will see how your donation of \$3,000.00 will be delegated to help specific individuals at the Fairbanks Rescue Mission. We have chosen four individuals (3 men and 1 women) who best fit the criteria of your donation.

1) David—Green Collar Jobs Training Program

David came to the Mission just over a year ago from Denver, Colorado. In Colorado, he struggled to find work and was pressured into substance use by others in the area. David knew he didn't want his life to end up in a gang or violence so he moved back to Alaska. He has been working in our jobs training program and has successfully completed all four phases of the program and is soon to graduate in the next few weeks. He has completed all soft skills (punctuality, public interactions, etc.) and hard skills (physical labor, forklift certification, etc.) classes. He has already interviewed at two local businesses and has another this week at Home Depot. The Rotary donation will go towards housing and helping him get back on his feet with groceries, transportation, etc.

2) Caitlin—Emergency Shelter and General Program

Caitlin is originally from Delta and came to Fairbanks this past winter to get a fresh start from the trauma she has been through. She is very diligent and working hard to make a better life for herself. She has applied for housing and is actively looking for work and helping out around the Mission in the meantime. The Rotary donation for Caitlin will go to getting a social security card for work purposes and initial housing costs as well as goods for her new place.

3) Ryan—Green Collar Jobs Training Program

Ryan lost his job this past winter after the company shut down due to Covid-19. In the transition, he worked a job in exchange for lodging, but felt he was being cheated. With no where else to go, Ryan found his way to the Mission and volunteered at the recycling center. After realizing he enjoyed the work and could learn valuable skills, he joined our Jobs Training program. Ryan has been in the program for 2 months and is moving to phase 2 where he will begin forklift training and floor management. The Rotary donation will assist him in his employment search and housing.

4) Darren—Emergency Shelter and General Program

Darren had lived in Fairbanks most of his life before coming to the Mission after some unfortunate life events. He is currently working to overcome struggles with physical and mental health through local behavioral health resources. The Rotary donation will help him cover a portion of his housing expenses until he is able to obtain work.

Thank you again for your willingness to help these special individuals. We look forward to their successful futures because of you!

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