

CARPENTER'S PLACE

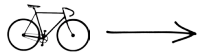
Providing the tools for rebuilding lives.

NOVEMBER 2015

In Review

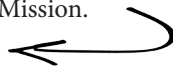
EARNING A NEW RIDE

Allen was extremely grateful for the opportunity to earn a bike at Carpenter's Place. He worked very hard doing a variety of chores. It's always a good feeling to 'earn' something, rather than just receive it. Enjoy the ride, Allen!



JOB SUCCESS

Congratulations to Kim from our Women's Housing program who accepted a full-time position with Rockford Rescue Mission.

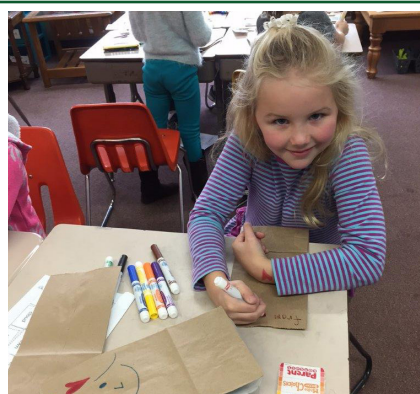
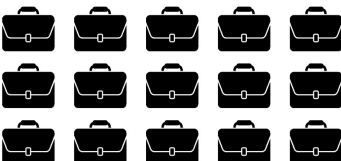


NOVEMBER BY THE NUMBERS

22 guests obtained housing



15 guests gained employment
(13 full time, 2 part time)



YOUNG COMPASSION

Taylor (above) is busy decorating a bag for the sack lunches she and her 2nd grade friends from Washington Academy in Roscoe prepared to be served for lunch at CP. Taylor's mom, Margaret (below) served the sack lunches from the 2nd graders at Washington Academy.



“I never realized how it felt to be truly cold; to not have a coat. I think it was God's way of telling me I needed to provide a coat for someone that did not have one.” Pictured here is grateful Ben who was the beneficiary of that kind generosity.

BENEFITS OF GRATITUDE

To coincide with Thanksgiving, case manager Patty presented “The Benefits of Gratitude” to the Permanent Housing Program residents.

She also made chili for them, and they were very grateful!



LONG TERM SUCCESS STORY!

Shown here with CP founder, Cathy Barsema, is Steve who was with us in 2002. In 2003, we referred him to a VA program in Wisconsin. Recently in town for Thanksgiving, he

stopped in to say he's doing great and wanted to say thanks. So fun to see such success!

COLD RELIEF

After experiencing a cold day without his coat, an anonymous donor bought a new



AFFECTION AND COMFORT COMPANIONS

The Immanuel Lutheran Church Comfort Dogs provided emotional support for the guys who experienced the trauma of a fire in the building where they live in one of our housing programs.

