

Volunteers of America

Volunteers of America Shelter & ReStart Programs

Community Assistance
Center

335 Record St.

Reno, NV 89512




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Volunteers of America is a national, nonprofit, faith-based organization founded in 1896 by Maud & Ballington Booth (son of General William Booth, founder of Salvation Army).




Maud contributed greatly to changing other major societal issues such as prison reform, focusing efforts on the rehabilitation of prisoners, helping lead to the development of the modern parole system and preparing prisoners for release back into society.

THE LADIES' HOME JOURNAL 9




FAMILY EVICTED BY A LANDLORD
The eviction of a family for non-payment of rent in the lower part of New York. One of Mrs. Booth's "Volunteer Corps" interceding with the agent to reinstate the family.



MRS. BOOTH AND HER CHILDREN

**Through the Slums
with
Mrs. Ballington Booth**
With Pictures by L. L. Roush



AN ANGEL OF MERCY
An actual scene on the Bowery showing one of Mrs. Ballington Booth's "Angels of Mercy" interceding with a policeman in the interest of a drunken woman.

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Our affiliate, Volunteers of America Northern California & Northern Nevada, was established in 1911 and offers services necessary to meet the diverse needs of people and assist them in becoming self sufficient. Our ongoing mission to *reach and uplift all people* has expanded to include families with children, seniors, the homeless, the mentally ill, and people with substance abuse issues.

Leo McFarland has worked for Volunteers of America since 1978, has served as President/CEO of our affiliate since 1986, and currently serves as a national board member.



Volunteers of America operates these programs in Northern Nevada:

Community Assistance Center

- **Men's Shelter (160 beds)**
- **Women's Shelter (50 beds)**
- **Family Shelter (27 family units)**
- **ReStart program (serving mentally ill homeless)**
- **Resource Center (providing access to telephone, computer, mail delivery, classes)**

Sierra Manor

187 units of affordable housing for seniors (based in a sliding scale)

These programs provide emergency shelter, transitional housing and affordable housing everyday for more than 700 men, women and children in our community, serving more than 7,700 unique individuals each year.

The shelters provide more than a place to sleep; they are programs based on a recovery model. Each individual and family is working with a case worker on an individual case plan designed to help them exit from homelessness and into a more productive and sustainable future.



Women's Shelter staff and clients participate in a Getting Ahead workshop.

Community involvement at the shelter programs are at an all time high, with activities ranging birthday parties and theater classes at the Family Shelter to journaling projects at the Women's Shelter.



A young Family Shelter resident enjoys a gourmet cupcake donated by El Dorado Hotel Casino at a party sponsored by Reno Buick GMC Cadillac.

In April 2013, children at the Family Shelter performed skits from Disney musicals at Southside Cultural Center before an audience of 100. After the show, children autographed printed programs.



The performance was planned and directed by Miss Sparks Outstanding Teen Nasya Mancini.

Programs at the Community Assistance Center are changing lives. The City of Reno estimates that for every dollar spent on the CAC campus, our community saves \$18 in other emergency services (i.e, police, fire, jail, foster care services).



***Daily cost of foster care per child:
\$100***

***Daily cost at a shelter stay per person:
\$15***

In addition to the programs operated by Volunteers of America, other service providers at the Community Assistance Center include:

Good Shepherd Clothes Closet

HAWC Outreach Clinic

Reno Sparks Gospel Mission

St. Vincent's Dining Room

Washoe County School District Children in Transition programs

Westcare Community Triage Center



You can help us in our mission to reach and uplift all people.

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