



BOOTS ON THE GROUND & NUMBERS IN THE BOOKS.

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How We Got Started!

November 2017: In response to a growing local homeless population, we started the Hungry Monk Rescue Truck.

With zero dollars in funding and a donated 1999 ambulance from the Buffalo NY Police Dept....





What We Do..

Street Homeless Outreach

Homeless Education

Full Service Soup Kitchen

Homeless Resource Center

Mobile Food Insecurity Outreach

Weekly Homeless Clinic



New York City Public Data on Homelessness

23 May 2019

Total number of homeless adults & children in public shelters: **58,224**

3,675 unsheltered individuals*

Number of homeless single adults: **16,297**

598 drop-in clients served

Number of homeless single men: **11,962**

161 adults staying in faith bed programs

Number of homeless single women: **4,335**

1,015 individuals sheltered at safe havens

Number of homeless children: **20,799**

92 families requesting temporary housing at PATH Shelter

Number of homeless families with children: **11,867**

Total one night = 63,673

*Source: NYC Department of Homeless Services, *Hope 2018*

~1/121

new yorkers are
homeless, many of
which are unseen,
staying in shelters or in
hidden areas.

Source: The Bowery Mission



Facebook



Twitter



email

Man found dead in
Ridgewood was
homeless and froze
during the storm, church
says (UPDATED)



Photo via Shutterstock

Source: QNS.com



“His Name
Is Arek”



Numbers we did not have ...

After the death of Mr. Jasinski we received a ton of media attention.

During every interview we faced the same questions:

How **many** people do you help ?

How **many** homeless people are there?

How **many** meals do you serve from the truck.

How **many** families come?

How **many** women with children do you serve?

We were doing the
work...
but did not have
even **one** piece of
data to prove it.



We were more
focused on the
mission than
on the
numbers.



What We Did!

We started collecting vital data on the individuals we serve, including:

- Names
- Date of birth
- Country of origin
- Next of kin
- Brief medical history

Next, we looked at the amount of people we were serving weekly.

We began recording *daily meals served, weekly pounds of goods rescued, and outreach demographics.*



Data Collection YTD



8,400 Persons Served

67,000 Meals Served

1,680 Families Provided For

120 Patients Seen in Clinic



650 Meals a Week

Soup Kitchen
Community Meals
Outreach Meals



8,400 Client Contacts

Street Outreach

Social Services

Food Insecurity Program

Community Clinic



1,680 Families Served

*Community Response Team
Housing Advocacy
Family Shelter Referrals*



120 Patients Seen

*Weekly Clinic
Outreach Partnership
Street Med Team*



Why the Data Mattered to Us

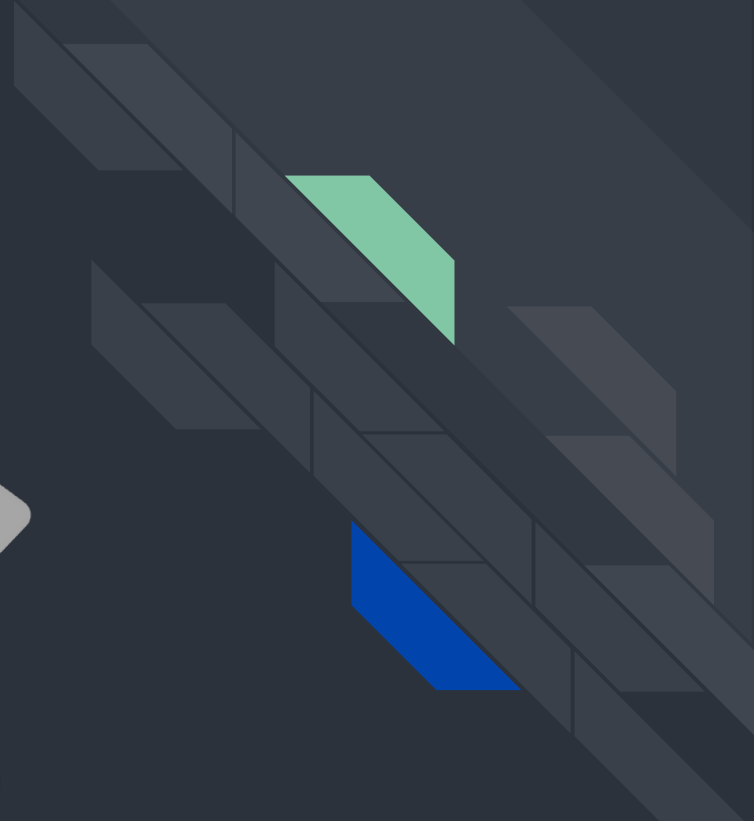
- When we began tracking the Data, **The Mission Grew!**
- We were contacted by local politicians, city agencies, and large non for profits
- We became contractors for the City's Dpt. of Homeless Services
- We operated a fully funded warming center during Winter 18/19



We're Growing with the Mission

- We've Incorporated and Received Federal Recognition as a 501c3 Tax Exempt Charitable Organization
- We're set to receive \$500,000 in State Funding for a Mobile Shower Program
- We've received a contract from the City of NY in the sum of \$1,000,000 to operate an Emergency Housing Program for the chronically Street Homeless

**Because of the
data, we went from
sidewalk
sandwiches
to...**



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