



Dear Pensacola Business Leaders,

Waterfront Rescue Mission asks, "What does Thanksgiving look like?"

In your house:

The smell of turkey and stuffing wafts through the house. Mom is hard at work making sure the cranberry sauce is perfect this year. Dad is whipping up the mashed potatoes (and taking a few bites every now and again, too!). It looks like Thanksgiving is going to be perfect this year.

On a street not too far away:

The smell of turkey wafts through the open door of the restaurant, and your stomach growls with hunger. Mom was never there. You don't even know who Dad is. Thanksgiving is just another day to survive on the streets.

That first scenario is the one most of you are familiar with. The second scenario is the experience of those we serve at Waterfront Rescue Mission. For many in Pensacola, Thanksgiving is just another day where good food is rare and love is rarer. We're asking you to help change that.

Waterfront Rescue Mission would like to make Thanksgiving a real blessing for those who have nowhere else to go. To make that happen, please help provide:

- Frozen turkeys
- Canned vegetables, such as corn and green beans.
- Dinner Rolls
- Desserts
- Boxes of Stuffing

And on Thanksgiving Day, you can truly be the hands and feet that bring blessings to the least of these. We need volunteers, too! Our holiday volunteer line will be active on November 1<sup>st</sup>. The number will be 429-0656. Help make our Thanksgiving Banquet for the homeless possible, just send me an email or call me at the number below.

Sincerely,

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