

You can help as

Volunteer. We welcome your time and talent as helpers in fundraising, as RRMI scholars, mentors and tutors, as house managers in RRMI homes, or a peep-in home visitor with an encouraging thumbs-up to RRMI scholars. Or you may help out in some administrative and clerical tasks to keep RRMI operating efficiently and effectively.

Financial Partner. You may donate a financial gift to provide daily operating funds to maintain the homes for RRMI scholars.

Event Sponsor. You may host or support a fundraising event for the benefit of RRMI scholars.

Benefactor. You may finance a program, or be a provider of clothing and personal items to RRMI scholars.

Patron Organization. The organization may donate program funding, or provide volunteers for the homes.



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Housing Youth
On The Road
To Independence...



RESTORATION ROADS MINISTRY, INC. (RRMI)



RRMI was organized and will operate exclusively for religious, charitable, educational, and scientific purposes as described under Code Section 501 (c) (3). The purpose of the corporation is to provide young adults with an effective and comprehensive Christian faith-based solution to life-altering problems in order to become productive members of society. By applying these principles, the corporation endeavors to help people become mentally sound, emotionally balanced, socially adjusted, physically well, and spiritually alive. It provides all that is necessary to accomplish this goal through spiritual and academic instruction, work skills, life management training and emotional support as the Holy Spirit directs.

RRMI collaborates with Charlotte County Public School's Homeless Youth and Family Liaison program, the Charlotte County Homeless Coalition and the Children's Home Society.

YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

As defined by law, homeless youth includes those who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. The law recognizes a wide range of living situations as homelessness, such as frequent mobility or living in shared housing (often a crowded residence with several other families), motels, cars, parks, makeshift housing, or shelters.

In October 2009, the Children and Families First, Education for the Homeless Project in Charlotte County, Florida reported 14 homeless young adults aged 18 and older who are registered in Charlotte County public schools. Unlike a regular young adult student, they go home to a tent or run-down car in the woods, or surf for an available couch to pass the night so they can go to school the next day.

These are 14 future productive citizens who want to do the right thing. Let us support, encourage and inspire them to continue aiming for a better future before they give up on even trying to have one.

Rhianna's Story

Rhianna, the oldest of seven children, was raised by her mother in a single-wide trailer. She was responsible for the majority of "motherly" tasks. She got her siblings to school and helped them do homework, did the shopping if money was available, fixed meals, and cleaned the trailer. Her mother had many boyfriends who brought alcohol and other drugs into the home.

When she was 12, Rhianna was raped by one of these men. When she told her mother, she was told that if she didn't like the lifestyle, she could leave. Rhianna stayed because of her siblings. Eventually, she adapted her mother's lifestyle and learned to use marijuana and alcohol. She was frequently raped by her mother's boyfriends.

Her attendance at school became sporadic, her health declined, and her smile disappeared. She was a frequent runaway. At 14, one of her mother's boyfriends promised her a "better life." That "better life" included drugs, alcohol and prostitution. At 16, after two years, Rhianna ran, becoming one of the homeless youth living on the streets.

(To protect the identity of those involved, Rhianna's story is combined life stories of three real homeless young adults.)



I support Restoration Roads Ministry, Inc. to help homeless youth in Charlotte County, Florida.

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I am contributing:

\$25 / month for one year; or

this amount \$ _____.

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