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Mays Mission for the Handicapped, Inc.

God Bless
America

“Peace on Earth and Mercy Mild”

This line from the familiar Christmas carol, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" exemplifies the objective of Mays Mission for the Handicapped.

Mays Mission has been dedicated to bringing the true spirit of Christmas to countless handicapped individuals of all ages since its inception more than 39 years ago. Throughout the years since the birth of its concept in the heart of founder, Ewing W. Mays, the Mission has brought peace and mercy to many in need.



The gifts of supporters have enabled the Mission to provide jobs and job training to hundreds of handicapped individuals. Many of these men

and women find it very difficult to obtain employment in the mainstream work force because of their physical, mental and emotional disabilities. But at Mays Mission, disabled men and women develop job skills while they work alongside nondisabled individuals. Sometimes the work is hard and sometimes it is difficult for the disabled workers to keep up the pace, but their reward comes with the sense of satisfaction

they gain when they learn they have developed valuable skills and that they have abilities they did not know they have. Their paycheck is an important reward, but of equal importance to the disabled worker is learning that their contribution to the team is significant. Their sense of self worth increases and their self esteem grows.

Throughout the years, Mays Mission has been able to extend its helping hand through many varied services. Today, the Mission supports a network of community service organizations that benefit disabled children and adults across the nation.

The disabled elderly and U.S. military veterans are very important and hundreds of nursing homes and care facilities have been visited. Mission employees work throughout the year printing, assembling, and packaging gift paks which are distributed to residents.





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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Mays Mission for the Handicapped offers hope to people who no one else may care about. The Mission provides worthwhile employment to handicapped persons from all walks of life and teaches the word of God in accordance with Christian ethics and principles.

In addition, Mays Mission sponsors activities for handicapped children; assists disabled adults to find proper housing, transportation, or medical attention; and makes grants to other institutions or organizations to benefit the handicapped, such as hospitals.

While Mays Mission will assist any handicapped individual to the maximum extent possible, the Mission is focused on serving those in rural Arkansas and the Ozark Mountains region, an area that is generally economically depressed and suffers from a relatively high unemployment rate-hence few job opportunities for the disabled.

A primary purpose is to help handicapped persons improve their job skills through on-the-job training and, in addition, to create jobs for them. A main objective is to help the employees who are being trained to achieve economic stability and independence in their lives. Therefore, it is most important that the collateral purpose of assisting them to obtain better employment is carried forth with as much vigor as the actual training.

In addition to its employment and training programs for handicapped, the Mission also provides spiritual guidance to handicapped persons who are home- or bed-bound or live in a residential care facility through its visitation program.

Mays Mission also educates the public that, with appropriate training, individuals with disabilities are "handicapable" and serves as a "school for citizenship" both to encourage employers to hire the handicapped and to teach the public how to interact with disabled individuals, particularly in the workplace.

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The work of the Mission is important and throughout the year it touches the lives of countless disabled individuals and their families. Your support is indispensable and deeply appreciated.

The family of Mays Mission wishes you and your family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. If you need any information on disabilities, please call 888-503-7955, or email info@maysmission.org, or visit our website at www.maysmission.org.

Visiting nursing homes will bring smiles to the faces of some lonely people. You can deliver baked cookies, sing Christmas carols, or even read the Christmas Story to them.

Looking For Poems

Mays Mission is currently working on Volume VIII of our "Mays Garden of New Hope," A Collection of Special Verses.

If you have poems that you have written, we would like to consider them for our next book. Please mail those you would like for us to consider to the following address:



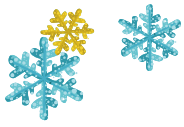
POEMS

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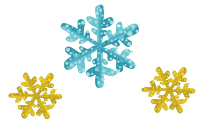


We will contact you by letter to let you know if your poems or verses have been selected.

We appreciate all those who send in their poems for selection. It warms our hearts to know that there are others who care. Thank you so much for your support of people with disabilities.



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and sign up for a free account. Enter your information, such as the payee's name, email address and amount you want to send. The payee receives the cash in his/her PayPal account at the speed of email, and it is billed to your PayPal account (which is tied electronically to your credit card, debit card or checking account).

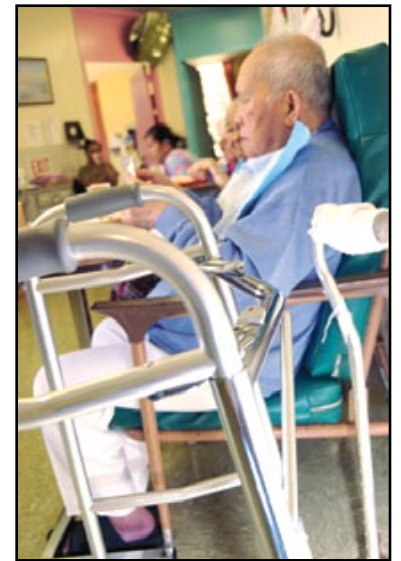
Thank you for any amount you can send to help people with disabilities.

Coffee Break

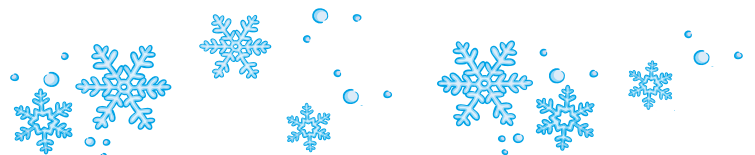
Mays Mission is partnering with a local grocery market, Harps Food Store of Heber Springs, in a joint effort to provide coffee for the Volunteer Services office of the McClellan VA Medical Center in Little Rock, Arkansas. The coffee will be served by volunteers to the veterans who rely on the VA facility for their medical treatment needs. This hospital serves veterans who live in a large portion of the state of Arkansas. Coffee is a part of military life and the vets consume a large amount on a daily basis.

Mays Mission volunteers will deliver a case of coffee each month to the Volunteer Services office to be used in their mobile coffee canteens which provide free hot coffee and pastries each morning throughout the VA facilities in Little Rock and North Little Rock. Volunteer Services personnel report that a case of coffee will last them about 5 days so the donation Mays and Harps are making will amount to almost twenty-five per cent of the coffee needed to support the service.

This effort by Harps and Mays Mission is just one small way we can let our veterans know how much they are appreciated and loved by those whom they have protected during their military service to our nation. If you have a veteran in your family ask them about how much a cup of hot coffee may have meant to them during their time of service.



If you would like more information about this outreach program and Mays Mission and Harp's, please call 888-503-7955.



MEMORIALS

GIFTS THAT KEEP ON GIVING
FOREVER

PLEASE PRINT

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Mr. AMOUNT
Mrs.
Miss _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

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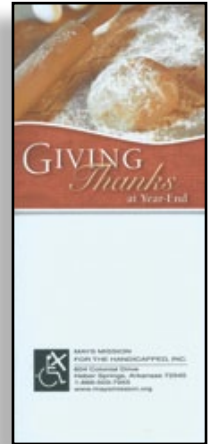
STATE ZIP

A number of thoughtful people, desiring to honor the memory of a departed friend or loved one, are sending memorials in the form of contributions to the Mission. Families of those whose memories are so honored are notified of the contributions by an appropriate card, and the names are listed in an issue of our newsletter without mention of the amount of the contribution.

Mission Statement

Dedicated to serving people with disabilities and enhancing their quality of life. Educating the public that, given the opportunity, people with disabilities can succeed and become productive citizens.

FREE REPORT



“Giving Thanks At Year-End”

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