

**We're not just a shelter. We're a full-service comprehensive homeless center offering a unique combination of benefits found nowhere else in the Midlands:**

- The only facility that accepts both adult men and women
- Access to bathrooms, showers, computers, classes and laundry facilities to both residents and non-residents in our Day Center
- On-site access to healthcare services, clinical assessments, and referrals
- The most comprehensive jobs training program and housing search assistance
- The most beds - 260 - in one location

At Transitions, we recognize finding a way out of homelessness is a long journey that requires courage and hard work. Many who come to Transitions don't complete the journey the first time, returning several times before finally succeeding. We're here for them each time, offering support and a safe, loving place where they can work on moving forward.

We also recognize that every person's journey is different. So, we offer special programs for veterans, seniors age 62 and up, and youth ages 18 to 24. And since many homeless people are initially unwilling to commit to the requirements of our residential programs, we are unique in offering non-residents access to all of our services through our Day Center.

**Every dollar you give helps us work to keep our streets from looking like the scary streets you've seen on the news. For example:**


**\$22** – provides a clean bed, three meals, a shower and job-and house-hunting support to a homeless veteran

**\$50** – covers the cost of a housing application for someone ready to get a place of their own

**\$180** – provides a month of nutritious, home-cooked meals to a homeless senior

**Please give today by using the enclosed remittance envelope or visiting us at [www.transitionsc.org/donate](http://www.transitionsc.org/donate).**

Sincerely,



Craig J. Currey  
Chief Executive Officer



P.S.  
Just \$50 gives a homeless person the clinical help they desperately need to start their journey home.

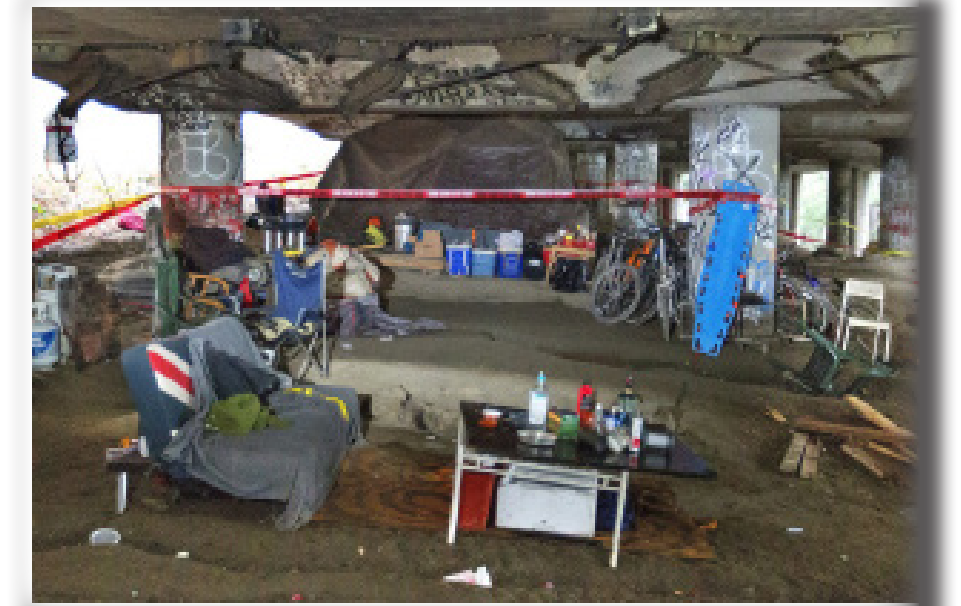
*This Halloween, what's really scary has nothing to do with ghosts and goblins.*

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

October 31, 2019

Every day, we see stories in the news about thousands of men and women living on the streets in many of our great cities. We are bombarded by shocking footage of people living in tents on sidewalks just feet from private residences, in cardboard shelters blocking the entrances to office buildings, and in full-blown encampments under bridges and along highways, where addiction, communicable disease, and crime are often part of the picture.

What is not as evident in the news reports is that many in the homeless community are struggling with serious health issues. While some are fighting Stage-4 cancer, others are wheelchair bound or tethered to an oxygen tank. Here at Transitions, 48 percent of our residents are dealing with mental health or dependency issues. This situation is both frightening and sad. Yet, homelessness has many causes, and without proper resources, no community is immune.



*Homeless encampment under a bridge in Seattle*

At Transitions, we're committed to ensuring that people who get off the streets have a place to go to begin their journey. Since opening in 2011, we've moved almost 2,500 people off the streets of the Midlands and into permanent housing, while serving more than 1,665,190 nutritious meals to people in need. People who live and work in downtown Columbia tell us they've noticed the change.

*“Since Transitions opened, we've seen a lot of progress. Aggressive panhandling is down considerably, and Main Street has a much safer feel to it.”*

Chuck Garnett  
Division CEO, Synovus