

June 14, 2019 American Society for Quality Columbia Basin Section 614



NOTE LOCATION AND TIMES!

Friday, June 14, 2019

LOCATION:

Tri-City Union Gospel Mission Men's Facility 221 South 4th Avenue Pasco, Washington 509-547-2112

9:45 a.m. - Check in

10:00 a.m. - Tour Begins

Tour will last about an hour.

NOTE: Closed-toe shoes are required for the tour.

There is no charge for this site visit, but space is limited so get your reservation in soon.

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED:

For planning purposes, reservations must be received by June 10. Send an email to <u>0614asq@gmail.com</u> with your name, phone number and contact information.

Please consider making a donation to the Mission – food, clothing, household items and monetary donations are always appreciated (and tax-deductible). For a list of most urgent needs: http://www.tcugm.org/needs

Of note: The Mission also has a shelter for women and children. We will be touring just the men's facility.

For more information about ASQ Section 614 and other upcoming events: www.asq614.org





Site Visit and Tour Tri-City Union Gospel Mission New Men's Facility

221 South 4th Avenue - Pasco, Washington

The Tri City Union Gospel Mission began serving Benton and Franklin counties in 1954. Their mission today is to serve homeless and impoverished people in southeast Washington and northeast Oregon communities so that they may be transformed to become contributing members of society. The generous donations of goods, time and money from many supporters keeps them going.

Years of dreaming, planning and construction culminated in the opening of the Mission's new Men's Facility in late 2018. The new space has 162 beds, including emergency shelter beds and more private bunk areas. There is also a day room, computer lab, chapel and other features, including a commercial kitchen and large dining room.

The need for rescue, recovery and restoration is growing each year. The Mission serves 72,000 meals a year and provides 37,000 nights of shelter.

A few statistics to help better understand the needs and people the Mission serves.

- 2,082 unsheltered homeless individuals in southeastern Washington recorded on a single day point-in-time count; 232 with chronic substance abuse issues; 158 homeless veterans
- Over 30,000 live below the poverty line many just a paycheck away from being homeless

Rescue is all about meeting the immediate needs of someone when they walk through the doors of the Mission. They don't know where to get food, they don't have a bed to sleep in, they need clothes, they need a shower, etc. After being at the Mission for a while, when they can breathe a little bit and are feeling better about themselves, then some of the layers can be peeled back to learn more about their lives and what actually brought them to the Mission. By addressing underlying issues, work can begin to deal with obstacles and helping them reverse course.

Join us June 14 for a special tour at the Mission. We will visit many of the areas where clients are served and will learn more about the Mission's philosophy and future plans.