



# OPEN THE DOORS, LIGHT THE WAY

## Dear Friend,

When you open a door at Cornerstone this winter, you don't just step into a building, you step into a place where hope lives. And this is where it has lived since 1989 when a group of thoughtful neighbors made space and provided shelter to those in need.

Behind each door is a story: a mother tucking her children into a safe bed for the first time in weeks, a hot meal that quiets an empty stomach, a caring hand that reminds someone they're not alone. These are the moments of light that your support makes possible.

This season, we invite you to join Cornerstone as we **open the doors and light the way** for hundreds of individuals and families who have nowhere else to turn.

Cornerstone Community Outreach has always been a place of refuge and renewal. And right now, our needs are immense. More people than ever are coming to our doors, families displaced from their housing, individuals rebuilding their lives after hardship and many who have lost access to meaningful support and public benefits. Our new cafeteria space, and upcoming medical respite space, will be ready to welcome them, but it's your generosity that brings these spaces and services to life.

Because buildings don't create hope, **people do**.

Your gift helps keep the lights on and the heat running. It fills plates with warm, nutritional meals. It allows our dedicated staff to offer compassionate care and practical support to every person who walks through our doors. And it ensures that each guest is met free of judgment, with dignity and love.

This year, we're asking you to consider how deeply you can give. Your past support has made an incredible difference, and today, your renewed generosity can go even further. **Every dollar you give helps open another door and light another path forward.**

This is the season when light means the most, when your compassion can truly transform cold nights into moments of warmth, safety and hope.

Please, give as generously as you can. Together, we can open the doors and light the way for our neighbors in need.

With deep gratitude and hope,

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