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# **BACK TO WORK PROGRAM**

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The Guiding Light Mission Back to Work Program provides a short term stay for men who are employed or seeking full-time employment, allowing them time to save money while they look for permanent housing.

Men in this program will sleep in our men's dorm and may eat all meals here at the Mission. They have use of our computer lab for online job searching, e-mail, and resume preparation. Phones are available for local calls. Lastly, they work directly with a job coach for assistance in obtaining employment.

To apply, men must meet these requirements:

- Present a valid picture ID and social security card
- Pass a drug and alcohol screen
- Have no outstanding criminal warrants

If you feel that this program is right for you, please apply in person at Guiding Light.

## **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

- Must apply in person and be interviewed by our intake case manager
- Meet weekly with case manager on your plan and progress in obtaining employment and housing

- Complete daily work tasks at the Mission as assigned
- Must save 75% of weekly take home pay with the Mission; all savings will be returned when you leave the program
- Zero tolerance for drug and alcohol use is strictly enforced, and random drug and alcohol tests are administered
- Must sign in and stay here each evening during the program or submit a request and be approved for time away
- Attend evening Chapel service if not working
- Follow all program rules

## TESTIMONY FROM A PROGRAM MEMBER

When I came into Guiding Light Mission earlier this year I was homeless, jobless, and had two felonies. Since I've been here, great things have been happening.

- 1. I have learned how to be closer to God.
- 2. I have lost almost thirty pounds.
- 3. My diabetes numbers have come down to almost normal.
- 4. I have been fortunate enough to meet people who care, and I strive to pay that forward.
- 5. I have found a job and am saving to get my own apartment.

Guiding Light Mission has helped me get my life back on a good path.

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