

UNITED WAY OF THE OHIO VALLEY
OHIO COUNTY
PARTNER AGENCY: BOULWARE MISSION, INC.

Nathan came to Boulware Mission from Ohio County after becoming homeless due to his drug use. He had spent some time in jail on drug charges and when he was released, he had nowhere to turn. Nathan had lost custody of his child. He had no job, no savings, and no family to turn to for help. The Department of Community Based Services (DCBS) referred him to Boulware Mission for help.

Nathan did not want to come to Boulware, but he really had no other choice. After arriving at the Mission, Nathan and his case manager identified several life goals and developed a service plan for him. Boulware provided a supportive environment for Nathan to work on changing his life. He learned several basic living skills and went through 6 weeks of intensive substance abuse treatment. In addition, Nathan was able to find full-time employment. In accordance with his service plan, he attended financial literacy and worked one-on-one with a financial counselor to construct a budget and put together a plan to get his finances on track. Finally, he participated in parenting class and began working with DCBS to get custody of his child back. He began with supervised visits at the Mission and today he has custody again.

Nathan has moved back to Ohio County and continues to be successful in both his sobriety and in life. He is still working and raising his child. Nathan did not want to come to Boulware, but it turned out to be the best thing that could have happened to him and his family. He is finally a productive citizen of his community. Your United Way funds helped to make this possible – they gave Nathan and his child a second chance at life.

WHAT DIFFERENCE WILL YOUR INVESTMENT MAKE?

With your investment of \$100 **Boulware Mission** can:

- Provide three months' worth of food delivery from Tri-State Food Bank
- Provide 25 drug screening tests to keep drugs out of the Mission
- Purchase 10 AA Books (Alcoholics Anonymous) for aide in client recovery efforts
- Provide personal hygiene items to 10 residents

