



# overflow 9:12

Overflow Showers. Compassion. Grace. Hope. Jesus.

**NOVEMBER  
2023**

**DONATE**  
TO SUPPORT  
OUR UNHOUSED  
SHOWER  
GUESTS  
ON OUR  
WEBSITE



## HELLO FRIENDS!

Overflow 9:12 is about Grace, Mercy, Hope and Humility. Twice a month, we serve alongside Bridges to Hope and Coachella Valley Volunteers in Medicine on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. These two organizations have been seeing our most vulnerable population for years, without missing an evening or an opportunity to bring much-needed medical care to those that need it most. We are able to do this with the assistance of our host location, Ramona Tire of Palm Desert, who has graciously partnered with our groups to utilize their parking lots for set-up. A couple of new additions to the group are a hair stylist and the Cal State University San Bernardino Nursing Street Medicine Program that offers additional blood pressure checks, glucose monitoring and other circulatory and wound care plus foot soaks.

For **\$15**  
a month you  
can sponsor **one shower**.  
For **\$20** a month you can  
sponsor **five hygiene kits**.

## PALM DESERT STORIES

During our time at Ramona Tire, we witnessed many beautiful miracles. We have been able to serve hot showers and hygiene supplies to many different people from many different places. We talked to Johnny, a young man that walked to Coachella Valley from

Kentucky. Johnny had not had a shower in more than two years!

**I'M ABLE TO SERVE ABOUT  
50% OF OUR SHOWER  
GUESTS EACH TIME**

**THE SHOWERS  
ARE HOT AND  
AWESOME!**



SINCE OUR BEGINNING IN MARCH, WE'VE PROVIDED A TOTAL OF:



**537**  
GRACE-TO-GO  
HYGIENE KITS

**1,986**  
CLOTHING  
ITEMS

**494**  
SHOWERS

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He now is one of our regulars. Being a man of few words, he has opened up to us with his infectious smiles and is learning to trust us and others more. This is a huge step for him, and we love it. During the heat of the summer, we were told that two of our patrons had passed away, partly from heat exhaustion and exposure. Since then, eight of our guests have gotten off the street and into either recovery programs or housing. With another four individuals seeking counseling and looking into a recovery program of their own, the message of hope and that of a better future is starting to take root.

Our average number of patrons is about a dozen or so men and women requesting showers with another handful

getting much-needed hygiene supplies and clothing. The time we spend with our patrons and guests is life changing. One evening, we stayed an extra hour so we could continue talking with a 16-year-old runaway. She had been on the streets for only a day and a half, but it was obvious that she realized her mistake. We provided a safe place and a safe way to consider what she needed most. In the end, we were able to reunite her with her father and brother and witness her going home. All while a human trafficker was circling the block waiting and watching. We at Overflow 9:12 offer showers, hygiene and basic necessities. But being able to build lasting relationships and speak with so many hurting people about hope, grace and mercy is the real gift. **The gift that keeps us going back month after month.**

## COLDER TEMPS BRING NEW NEEDS

As temperatures drop at night here in the desert, hot showers become more important for our unhoused guests. You may wish to shower warmth, health, dignity, compassion & hope on those most in need through a donation or a warm item from our online wish lists.

\*names have been changed for the privacy of our guests

## VOLUNTEER NEEDS:

- Experienced truck-trailer driving
- Supply loading & equipment set-up
- Guest registering & hospitality

**VOLUNTEER  
TO SERVE  
WITH  
US**



## CHECK OUT OUR DOLLAR DAYS WISHLIST

FOR HYGIENE KITS  
AND BULK ITEMS ON  
OUR WEBSITE



CHECK OUT OUR  
**AMAZON  
WISHLIST**  
FOR CLOTHING  
& SUPPLIES  
ON OUR WEBSITE



**20-25 PEOPLE COME TO EAT, GET  
CLOTHES AND TOILETRIES AND SEE  
MEDICAL TEAMS.**

