

The Women and Children of the Ernie J. Norman Center Need Your Help!

As a member of our community you have the power to help homeless women and children make a new beginning in a safe, supportive environment. Your contributions of time, money, household items and maintenance materials provide vital support to this essential community and regional service.

You can help in numerous ways:

Learn more about homelessness in northeast North Dakota; donate good, quality pieces of furniture or other household products; donate gift certificates for purchases at grocery, hardware or discount department stores.

If you would like to make a contribution or would like more information, please clip and mail this coupon or call Red River Community Action at (701) 746-5431.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Red River Valley Community Action Programs and Services

Self Reliance
Legal Services of ND Outreach Site
Communities United in Partnership (CUP)
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
Emergency Services
Energy Share
Ernie J. Norman Center
RRVCA Supportive Housing Project
Lead Testing
Home Cents
Furnace Clean and Tune
Sportsmen Against Hunger
Food Pantry Services
Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)
Weatherization
Helping Hand Assistance
Individual Development Account
Commodity Supplemental Food Program
Client Education
Budget Counseling
Home Rehab

For more information about these programs contact:

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The Ernie J. Norman Center



Shelter House for Homeless Women And Children

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Family Dining Area



Since 1976...

Red River Valley Community Action has been providing a safe and secure home environment for women and children who need shelter because of a crisis in their lives. In 1998 construction began on the new Ernie J. Norman Center. The Center opened in September of 1999 and continues to provide safe housing for families in need.

Red River Valley Community Action Mission Statement

The mission of the Red River Valley Community Action is to help low-income families and individuals achieve economic self-sufficiency through provisions of programs, services and community building.

The Ernie J. Norman Network

Various community agencies refer potential residents to the Ernie J. Norman Center. In addition to placing its own clients, Red River Valley Community Action accepts referrals from Grand Forks County Social Services, The Salvation Army, St. Joseph's Social Care, other community agencies and numerous local churches.

This strong interagency cooperation provides a vital link to matching this service to the women and children who need it. The problems and issues of homelessness of women and children require community wide involvement, both to assist the women and children and to identify and eliminate the causes. RRVCA remains committed to enlisting and facilitating that community-wide support through efforts like The Ernie J. Norman Center.



One of Six Bedrooms

Family Room



Services Available...

Residents at the Center receive free room and board, but that is just the start. Licensed social workers/case managers from RRVCA meet with residents to provide individualized services and support on a case-by-case basis. Residents receive information and referrals about housing, support groups, various human services, legal assistance, employment leads, child care options, and more.

Case managers are available to assist residents with meeting immediate needs and developing both short and long range goals. In addition, residents assist with household chores and prepare meals for themselves and their children.