

A strategic mobile outreach engaging in relationships to combat homelessness. Together, we'll make living on the streets rare, brief, and nonrecurring!

### Great News!



Metro Relief just earned a 2020 Gold Seal by adding information to our Nonprofit Profile on GuideStar. Now our community members as well as 10+ million GuideStar users can find in-depth information about our goals, strategies, capabilities, and progress. We're shining a spotlight on the difference we help make in the world. Plus, we've provided fresh information to 200+ charitable websites and applications that use GuideStar data, such as AmazonSmile, Facebook, and Network for Good.

What do you think? Check out our profile at [insert URL to your Nonprofit Profile on GuideStar]

### Bus Outreach

Due to the continued rise in COVID-19 cases in Texas we wanted to put the well-being our volunteers and homeless friends first, so we halted volunteer opportunities again during July. We've been utilizing Get Shift Done Org.

Get Shift Done connects affected hospitality workforce with local non-profits to serve and provide hunger relief to communities. It provides two critical needs in one initiative: stabilizing incomes & hunger relief. They have donated 100's of hours throughout COVID-19 to help us keep our buses running and our homeless friends served. It's a win-win for all of us!



## STREET OUTREACH



As our outreach teams go out, we continue to see an increase in new people experiencing homelessness. One method of helping people is diversion. It is the cheapest and most effective way to help.

What is diversion? Well it depends on who you ask. The National Alliance to End Homelessness defines diversion as a strategy that prevents homelessness for people seeking shelter by helping them identify immediate alternate housing arrangements and, if necessary, connecting them with services and financial assistance to help them return to permanent housing.

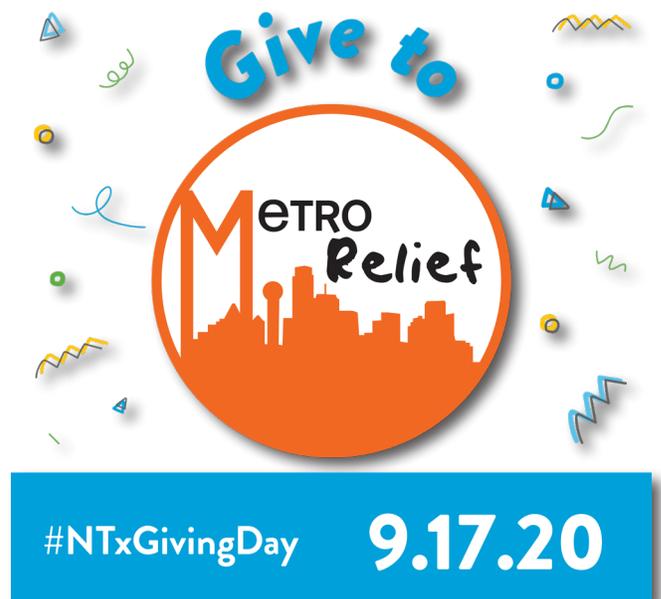
At the moment shelters are at capacity due to the current pandemic. Metro Relief will ask an individual experiencing homelessness if they have someone they can go live with. If they are out of town, we provide a bus ticket to get them off the streets.

Perhaps you saw on one of social media pages the story of a man named Allen, who we were able to purchase a bus ticket for and get him back home to Louisiana. We wouldn't be able to do this without your monthly support! Thank you!

## Reminder

North Texas Giving Day is coming - Thursday, September 17, 2020!

Join the region-wide movement. Communities Foundation of Texas' North Texas Giving Day is an event that lifts giving and engages the entire region to support local nonprofits, celebrating the important role they play in strengthening our communities. North Texas Giving Day is an opportunity to show the world our region's generous spirit and that in these unprecedented times North Texans can and will take care of each other.



*Thank you for your monthly support!*