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The Bowery Mission Celebrates its 138th Thanksgiving Week by Serving More Than 10,000 Meals to Men, Women and Children

NEW YORK – During its 138th annual Thanksgiving Week celebration, The Bowery Mission will serve more than 10,000 meals – 8,000 on Thanksgiving Day alone – to men, women and children in all five boroughs of New York City and in Newark, NJ. On Thursday, November 23 at The Bowery Mission's flagship location (227 Bowery between Prince and Rivington Streets), more than 650 volunteers will prepare traditional turkey dinners and serve 1,800 guests in the Mission's century-old chapel filled with music and festive decorations for the holiday.

Meals will be served at 227 Bowery every hour on the hour from 8:00am to 6:00pm. Meals are scheduled for 8:00am, 9:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am, 12:00pm, 1:00pm, 2:00pm, 3:00pm, 4:00pm, 5:00 pm, and 6:00pm. In addition to a turkey dinner, each guest will receive a brand new coat and a "blessing bag" including socks, a winter hat, gloves, and hygiene items.

With more than 65,000 people homeless in New York City—nearly one in every 130 New Yorkers—The Bowery Mission's services are more important than ever.

The food and gifts, as well as financial support, have been donated over several weeks by generous New Yorkers – individuals, congregations, foundations and companies. The Bowery Mission recognizes the following corporate sponsors of Thanksgiving Week:

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In addition, a number of The Bowery Mission's neighborhood partners are donating a percentage of sales and/or offering discounted products the weekend before Thanksgiving (Nov. 18-19). For details, please visit www.bowery.org/thanksgiving.

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Among the 650 volunteers, assisting on Thanksgiving Day will be leaders in New York's government, media, business and nonprofit fields.

About The Bowery Mission

The Bowery Mission has served homeless and hungry New Yorkers since 1879. Last year, The Bowery Mission provided more than 653,500 warm meals, 167,300 nights of shelter, distributed 46,380 articles of clothing, offered 13,300 showers and 1,300 onsite medical, dental and optometry exams. Each meal and every service is an invitation to residential and community programs that help clients make progress. Last year, the Mission served 354 adults in its residential recovery programs and served 800 more at the Community Hope Resource Center. To empower children to thrive and succeed, The Bowery Mission also offers year-round opportunities for enrichment through City Camp culminating in a weeklong experience at our 200-acre summer camp in the Pocono Region of Pennsylvania. Last year, The Bowery Mission served more than 1,000 youth. In the past two years, The Bowery Mission expanded its front-line services to new neighborhoods by uniting first with Goodwill Rescue Mission and then earlier this month with New York City Rescue Mission. www.bowery.org.

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