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Executive Director

## Note from Executive Director

For more than 70 years, Episcopal City Mission (ECM) has been at the forefront tirelessly advocating for and supporting vulnerable youth in the juvenile justice system through its unwavering ministry of presence. ECM offers compassionate care from trained chaplains and dedicated volunteers, dynamic violence prevention programs, and nurturing mental wellness sessions, all aimed at forging pathways to new horizons and opportunities.

# Moment in Time Gala

IT TAKES ONE MOMENT TO HAVE AN IMPACT

## One Dream. One Donation. One Difference.

Another successful MIT Gala in the record books! Episcopal City Mission (ECM) celebrated its 71st Anniversary at Moment in Time. The Gala was held at LiUNA Event Center in Sunset Hills. This year's theme was "One Dream, One Donation, One Difference," in honor of the many children we provide support for.

Over 150 guests attended the Moment in Time Gala! The evening was filled with raffles, dinner, and cocktails. Guests also had the opportunity to participate in a live auction and paddle raise. This year ECM was privileged to have as its keynote speaker The Honorable Judge Sandra Hemphill (Retired).

The evening also included honoring the one, and only Thomas Guignon. He received a distinguish award for the tremendous support he's shown in his Parish Ambassador role for ECM. Tom has been a Parish Ambassador for over 40 years, and he's known for hosting "ECM Sunday" at his Parish, The Church of St. Michael & St. George. Parishioners gathered to learn the true meaning of ECM and how volunteers support the children alongside the Chaplains. Tom's dedication and unwavering support at the detention center has given much hope to the kids so they know that people truly care about them.





## ECM Board Member Spotlight

**Leanne Rahe**, Episcopal City Mission (ECM) board member and volunteer, learned about ECM from St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Carondelet and hosted a birthday celebration for the youth in the St. Louis Juvenile Detention Center in 2018. As a board member, she teams up with a diverse group of volunteers and works towards furthering EMC's mission

Leanne states, while hosting the birthday celebrations, it's a great way for kids to be acknowledged and valued. Our presence demonstrates to the youth that they are thought of, prayed for, and brings encouragement. It's a reminder that they are created in God's image and are not defined by the mistakes they've made but have talents and abilities worth celebrating."

Leanne stresses to volunteers their gift of time makes a difference. We salute the many roles Leanne has played to support ECM and the Chaplains; such as wrapping gifts during Christmas time, contributing items for birthday socials, book clubs, and mentorship programs. More volunteers like Leanne are needed to help us continue the ministry and work.



## ECM Parish Ambassador Program



### What is ECM?

Since 1954, Episcopal City Mission (ECM) has provided Chaplains to serve children (ages 11-17) in the St. Louis Juvenile Justice System.

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Together, **we make a difference** in the lives of vulnerable youth, fostering resilience, empowerment and positive change.

Visit [ECM's website](http://ecitymission.org) to learn more.

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### Who is an Ambassador?

- Passionate ECM cheerleader
- People connector
- Activator with can-do mindset

### Parish Ambassadors are the lifeblood of ECM.

ECM's Parish Ambassadors advocate on behalf of our ministry with children in the juvenile justice system. They tell the story of our work, its lasting impact, and empower others to become involved.

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Promote ECM annual events.
- Encourage others to donate generously and volunteer for ECM activities and events.
- Lead ECM volunteer efforts in respective parishes & community such as; Birthday Socials, Moment in Time Gala, Gift Wrapping Party.



### Why be an Ambassador?



- ✓ Make a difference for the children we serve and our volunteers.
- ✓ Be an advocate on behalf of our ministry.
- ✓ Join a community and be a connector for others.
- ✓ Network and learn from other Parish Ambassadors.
- ✓ Invite others to learn and grow.



## The Dalton Legacy Society

### Leave Behind a Legacy of Support, Hope, and Healing

Established in 2014 by ECM's Board, the Dalton Legacy Society honors our first chaplain, The Rev. J. Albert Dalton, while ensuring his invaluable work with St. Louis youth continues for generations. By contributing to the ECM Endowment Fund, you become a Legacy Society member and help sustain our chaplaincy ministry far into the future.

#### Immediate Gifts:

- Cash contributions of any amount
- Appreciated securities and stock gifts
- Grants from Donor-Advised Funds

#### Planned Gifts:

- Bequests through wills or living trusts
- Retirement plan asset designations
- Life insurance beneficiary arrangements
- Savings bonds and other financial instruments

## Become a Member of The Dalton Legacy Society

Ready to create a lasting impact? Contact ECM's Executive Director, Nathan Ivy, at [director@ecitymission.org](mailto:director@ecitymission.org) or 314-436-3545. Endowment Fund documents available upon request.



Together  
WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

### Mary Margaret Foy Feldmeier

Mary Margaret Foy Feldmeier passed away peacefully on January 1, 2024, surrounded by her family. Beloved sister, aunt, and friend, Mary enjoyed a long career managing a research lab at Washington University in St. Louis. She loved spending time with loved ones, the opera, the Missouri Botanical Garden, audiobooks, and mystery shows. Mary was also a proud supporter of Episcopal City Mission and a member of the Dalton Legacy Society.





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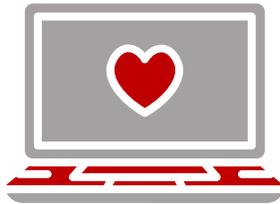
Providing Support, Hope and Healing for  
Children in the Juvenile Justice System

## One Dream. One Donation. One *Difference*.

**We need your help to build our ministry of presence for young people who desperately need to know someone cares**

For many years we were the only organization that ministered to children in the St. Louis juvenile justice system. We love, support and stand by those that society deems the least of us.

The work of Episcopal City Mission is funded primarily through donations by individuals, churches, and the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri. We receive no money from the government or United Way. Only a small portion of our operating funds comes from foundations and charitable trusts; we rely on people like you to continue our ministry.



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