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A 'Grab Bag' of Giving

When I was a kid, one of my big hobbies was collecting baseball cards. By the time I was a young teen, I had put together a pretty snazzy collection. My thing was putting together complete sets of cards from a given year. The only thing about putting together a full set is that some cards are rarer than others—even though the players on those cards might not have been big stars at the time. So one had to work pretty hard to put together one of those complete sets—which I think made it all the more special when I did.

One of my favorite ways of trying to complete a set was by buying 'grab bags': plain, unmarked bags that contained a random assortment of cards from different sets and years. Professional traders enticed a lot of collectors into purchasing 'grab bags' by putting rare, highly valuable cards in a very few of the bags they were selling. But I was more interested in buying them in the hopes of finding some random player's card that would complete one of my sets.

Donating to Restoring Lives West is a lot like buying one of those 'grab bags'. While large gifts are wonderful, not everyone has the capacity to be an 'all-star'...nor is it necessary for them to be. Many donors help to win the game for our clients through a donation that is just enough to provide them with a 'grab bag' of services—a hot meal, one-on-one counseling, transportation to a job interview—any one of which may be that unexpected, random 'card' that provides them what they need to bring their journey out of homelessness and desperation to an end.

So many of the young men and women we are privileged to serve stand on a precipice, where a step in one direction leads to promise and the other to great peril. Won't you please help us to show these young people the love of Christ? You can donate online at www.restoringliveswest.org, or through a check payable to 'Restoring Lives West' to:

Restoring Lives West, Inc.
c/o LBC Community Center
709 S. Lynhurst Dr.
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Remember: you don't have to be an all-star to make a difference in someone's life. Often, a simple 'grab bag' of giving turns out to be more priceless than the rarest, most

expensive card in the world to the person who receives it. May God bless you and your loved ones.

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