



VOICE OF THE DreamMaker

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DARE TO DREAM CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION CELEBRATES TWENTY YEARS OF SERVICE TO WOUNDED CHILDREN

YESTERDAY

Poor, orphaned, exploited and outraged; they lived in a city that seemed callously indifferent to their plight. They sold papers, shined shoes, ran errands, picked up bottles and rags to make a living. They had to make choices very early in life – to lapse into a life of crime, or to struggle for decency. The amazing fact was that so many of them chose the latter.

Behind the sea of faces, lies the Mission of the Immaculate Virgin, Mount Loretto, Staten Island, New York. Founder, Father Drumgool loved them, educated them, and respected their independence. He recognized the face of Christ in each of them.



Founder, Jan Tennyson and Grandchildren

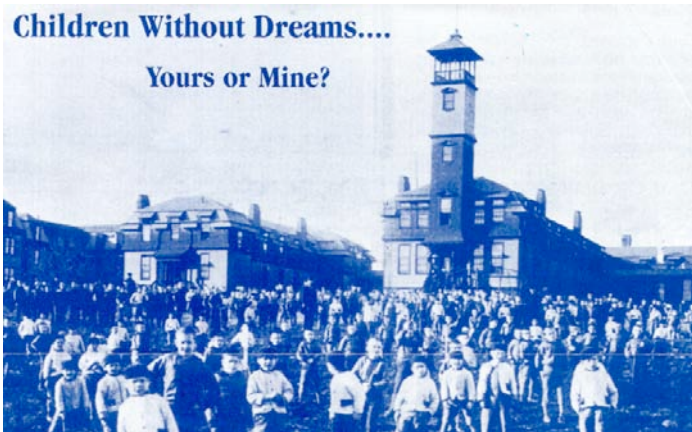
TODAY

An attitude of gratitude, and faith in a Heavenly Father, inspired Jan Tennyson to beat the odds of growing up in foster care, and start a Foundation to build the spirit of wounded youngsters with broken dreams.

It is because of the grace of God and the generosity of loyal supporters and volunteers that we have been able to touch the lives of more than twenty thousand abused, neglected, foster children, and teen offenders and orphans since 1987.

These youngsters are temporarily housed in shelters, group homes, orphanages, and detention centers. Through Dare to Dream's enrichment programs, souls have been saved, hearts have been healed, and some of our young people have been able to dream and trust again. Dare to Dream's Life Skills programs are an important ingredient in the intervention and rehabilitation of youth in the Juvenile Justice System.

Children Without Dreams.... Yours or Mine?



Mount Loretto became the home of the Lowery children, one of which included Joseph, the father of Jan Tennyson, founder of Dare to Dream Children's Foundation. As fate would have it, history repeated itself, because as an infant, Jan was placed in the New York Foundling Home and grew up in the foster care system.

Dare to Dream Awarded *Seal of Excellence* by Independent Order of Charities

Why help Dare to Dream?

From the desk of retired Police officer, Ric Moore:

- ◆ 55,000 youth in the DFW metroplex have parents in prison
- ◆ Broken promises, fractured families and broken dreams lead youth to a life in detention and eventually prison
- ◆ 1,000 unwed teenage girls become mothers
- ◆ 4,000 teenagers contract sexually transmitted diseases
- ◆ 500 teens begin using drugs
- ◆ 1,000 begin drinking alcohol
- ◆ 2,200 drop out of school
- ◆ 3,600 are assaulted
- ◆ EACH DAY - six teens find life hopeless enough to take their lives.
- ◆ Younger children are committing violent crimes like we have never seen before!

Volunteers in Action - Team Captains



Shirley Kaczka, Dan & Sara Lenhart, Dennis Allen

For twenty years, we have partnered with Juvenile Detention Centers, Youth Commissions, Group Homes and Orphanages. We have built teams to bring hope to these youth through role models teaching self-confidence, character, and spiritual values.

What Can We Do?

Find direction by reading God's Word.

"Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." Psalm 119:105

You can change the direction of these lives. Your prayers, your time, and your financial investment will have eternal value.

- ♥Join a team and speak to youth about God, patriotism, clean living, honesty and hard work
- ♥Share your story and life skills
- ♥Guide youth to discover new direction in their lives.
- ♥Teach a young person one-on-one how to read the Bible.
- ♥Give a youth a chance to express their hopes and dreams.
- ♥Stay in touch with youth once they are released from detention.
- ♥Volunteer in the Dare to Dream office.
- ♥Make an investment that will help us continue to be involved in changing the destiny of destitute children.



Greg Kennemer



Naomi & Dad, Mike Totin



Jan & Della Sowunmi

MORE WAYS TO HELP OUR KIDS:

1% of your grocery bill will be donated to Dare to Dream at no expense to you!

Please register your Tom Thumb Reward card at the service window for #527

Call us for a Dare to Dream Kroger card to Scan when you check out.

Register your Albertson's Preferred Card at the Customer Service window for Dare to Dream # 490 001 20315



If you are a State or Federal employee: Look for Dare to Dream under Local Independent Charities

Please send us your current e mail address

Train a child in the way he should go,
and when He is old he will not turn from it.
Proverbs 22:6



Your donations are tax deductible and will allow us to continue to help youngsters who truly need our love and support

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