

This is a letter in support of 519Pursuit.

This letter can be included in the public agenda.

Please accept this letter as the written submission of Neala Kerridwen and Raymond Clancy.

"Our son has long-term mental health issues.

He decided shelter or mission life was not for him.

He camped by himself somewhat near our apartment building,  
somewhat near other campers.

He learned that the volunteers from 519Pursuit helped those campers  
and actively sought folk who were in need.

Our son came to learn 519Pursuit people supplied hot lunches or sandwiches five days  
a week,

and also:

jugs of water

bags of socks

clothing including warm coats

footwear

blankets and warm bedding

clean-up garbage bags

personal hygiene packets

camping supplies like ground sheets and bed rolls

replacement tents

Sometimes when nothing was required 519Pursuit staff would simply check in to see if  
our son was okay

To our son, this interest by people who weren't family meant the community had  
members who valued him and who were looking out for him.

Since early November 2022, with brief exceptions, our son has constantly been in the  
care of 519Pursuit.

They have saved his life.