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Former NFL players to serve Christmas Day meal

Champions for the Homeless return to St. Vincent de Paul

PHOENIX — Whether they like it or not, professional athletes are role models. Thankfully, there are stand-up players like Champions for the Homeless who are taking on the challenge and leading by example.

Lead by former Kansas City Chiefs kicker Nick Lowery, Champions for the Homeless are a team of former professional athletes who help serve the Valley's hungry, homeless and working poor. The team is scheduled to serve a Christmas Day meal at St. Vincent de Paul, 1075 W. Jackson Ave.

Some of the former NFL players slated to serve are Dan Manucci of the Buffalo Bills, Syd Justin of the Los Angeles Rams/Baltimore Colts, Jim Arneson of the Dallas Cowboys/Washington Redskins, Dallas Hickman of the Washington Redskins/Baltimore Colts, and Tim Jorden of the Phoenix Cardinals/Pittsburg Steelers.

"Your job is not mission impossible," said Lowery to his team. "It is simply to show up and encourage these people who are down on their luck, ... and make Christmas feel a bit more like, well, Christmas!"

Who: Champions for the Homeless

What: Former NFL players to help serve a Christmas Day meal to the Valley's homeless.

When: Tuesday, Dec. 25 from 10:40 a.m. — 12:40 p.m.

Where: Henry Unger Memorial Dining Room (on the Human Services Campus)
1075 W. Jackson Ave., Phoenix

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a non-profit organization, dedicated to serving the poor and providing others with the opportunity to serve. Programs include services for the homeless, medical/dental care for the working poor, five charity dining rooms, six thrift stores, a transitional housing shelter and general assistance for individuals in need.