

Mark Bunker Begs For Rent While Separately Raising Tens of Thousands

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After five years doing it, Mark Bunker grew accustomed to making pleas for financial hand-outs. While running a multi-year campaign on IndieGoGo netting tens of thousands of dollars in cash gifts, he often jumped to GoFundMe to get bailed out of life's obstacles.

Eviction 1

In September 2015 Bunker ran into an "Emergency" and needed \$2,000 to move to new accommodations due to an impending eviction.

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\$2,000 of \$2,000 goal

Raised by 38 people in 23 months

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Created September 28, 2015

Mark Bunker
 Emergencies
 CLEARWATER, FL

GoFundMe campaign: Help Bunker Move, September 28, 2015

Mark Bunker
@XENUTV

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Wise Beard Man on the Move by Mark Bunker - GoFundMe

9:55 PM - 29 Sep 2015

3 Retweets 1 Like

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Twitter link to September 28, 2015 GoFundMe campaign.

Bunker later posted an update stating he ended up not needing to move and would refund the money. However, the campaign was never ended and it is unknown if the funds were in fact ever returned.

Eviction 2

Just over six months later, he was being evicted again and took to the crowd-funder to get help to pay his rent.



\$1,050 of \$950 goal

Raised by 24 people in 16 months

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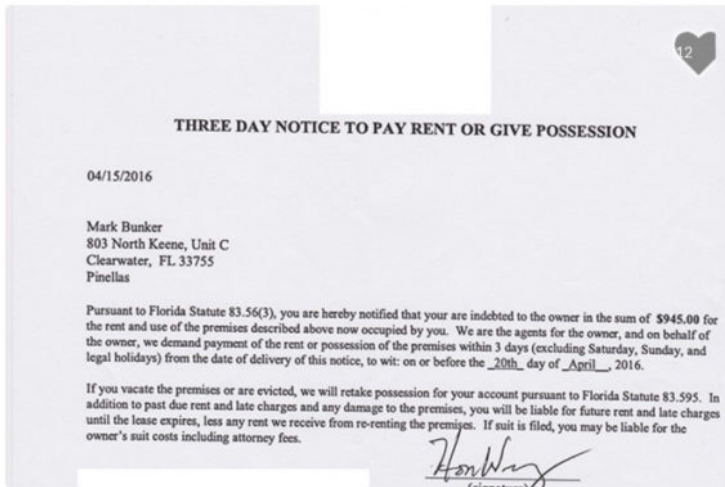
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Created April 16, 2016

Mark Bunker CLEARWATER, FL

GoFundMe campaign: Being evicted, April 16, 2016

Eviction Notice



CLEARWATER, FL

\$1,035 of \$950

Raised by 23 people in 13 hours

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Created April 16, 2016
Mark Bunker

GoFundMe campaign: Being evicted, April 16, 2016

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THREE DAY NOTICE TO PAY RENT OR GIVE POSSESSION

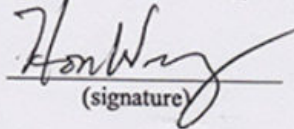
04/15/2016

Mark Bunker
803 North Keene, Unit C
Clearwater, FL 33755
Pinellas

Pursuant to Florida Statute 83.56(3), you are hereby notified that you are indebted to the owner in the sum of **\$945.00** for the rent and use of the premises described above now occupied by you. We are the agents for the owner, and on behalf of the owner, we demand payment of the rent or possession of the premises within 3 days (excluding Saturday, Sunday, and legal holidays) from the date of delivery of this notice, to wit: on or before the 20th day of April, 2016.

If you vacate the premises or are evicted, we will retake possession for your account pursuant to Florida Statute 83.595. In addition to past due rent and late charges and any damage to the premises, you will be liable for future rent and late charges until the lease expires, less any rent we receive from re-renting the premises. If suit is filed, you may be liable for the owner's suit costs including attorney fees.

[Redacted]


(signature)

I certify that I delivered this notice to the above addressed person(s) in the manner indicated below on:

4-15-16 :

- Handed to _____, or
(person's name)
- Left at the premises in the absence of tenant(s), and/or
- Sent first class (add 5 days to expiration date if mailed only)

Hand delivered or mailed by:



* If you have any questions please e-mail [Redacted]

[Redacted]

GoFundMe campaign: Eviction letter, April 16, 2016



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I'm raising money for Eviction Notice. Click to Donate:



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Thanks so much to everyone who helped me out of this scrape.
gofundme.com

7:42 PM - 16 Apr 2016

5 Retweets 4 Likes

1 5 4



Twitter link to April 16, 2016 GoFundMe campaign.

Eviction 3

Then in October that same year, he was being evicted again and wanted more handouts.

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Go Fund Me Campaign
from Mark Bunker

\$2,235 of \$950 goal

Raised by 57 people in 10 months

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Created October 19, 2016

Mark Bunker
Emergencies
CLEARWATER, FL

GoFundMe campaign: Being evicted, again, October 19, 2016

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@XENUTV

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I'm raising money for Facing Eviction. Click to Donate:

12:22 AM - 19 Oct 2016

8 Retweets 3 Likes

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Twitter link to October 19, 2016 GoFundMe campaign.

Increasing Pleas

On July 23, 2017 Bunker started another GoFundMe campaign and announced that he was going to be undergoing surgery in a few days and, while he had insurance under Obamacare, he needed money to cover rent and utilities for when he returned from the

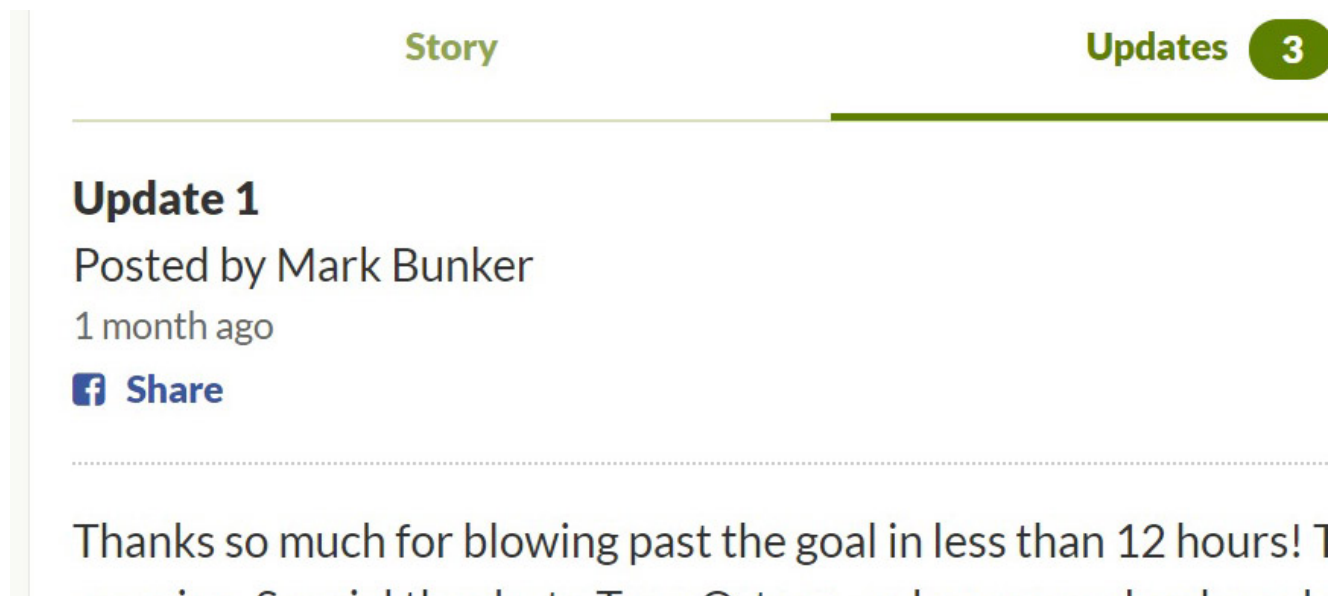
hospital so set a goal for \$3,000 in donations, suggesting this would cover for two-months.



The screenshot shows a GoFundMe campaign page. On the left is a video player with a play button and a title 'Wise Beard Man Goes Under the Knife'. On the right, the campaign details are displayed: a progress bar showing '\$3,125 of \$3,000 goal', 'Raised by 62 people in 1 day', and buttons for 'Donate Now' and 'Share on Facebook'. Below this, it says 'Created July 23, 2017' and lists the creator as 'Mark Bunker' with a verified medical status in Clearwater, FL.

GoFundMe campaign: Rent coverage, July 23, 2017

The very next day he posted thanks for donors “blowing past the goal in less than 12 hours”.



The screenshot shows an update post on the GoFundMe page. At the top, there are tabs for 'Story' and 'Updates' (with a count of 3). The update is titled 'Update 1' and is 'Posted by Mark Bunker' '1 month ago'. It includes a 'Share' button. The main text of the update reads: 'Thanks so much for blowing past the goal in less than 12 hours! 1'.

GoFundMe update 1: The goal of \$3,000 was met.



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Thanks so much for blowing past the goal in less than 12 hours! That is truly amaz...



WBM's Triple Bypass

Some of you may have heard that my health hasn't been great lately. Well, a stress echocardiogram set off some alarms from my cardiologist and, one heart

gofundme.com

12:20 PM - 26 Jul 2017

1 Retweet 17 Likes



Twitter link to July 23, 2017 GoFundMe campaign.

Yet despite his earlier messages about having met the goal of the fundraiser, Bunker continued promoting the campaign to get more money.



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Hi, everyone! Going to shoot a little video to update you all in a day or two but re...



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7:51 PM - 29 Aug 2017

1 Retweet 23 Likes



Twitter link to July 23, 2017 GoFundMe campaign.

By the end of August, he'd increased the July campaign goal to \$6,000.

Update 2



Posted by Mark Bunker

12 days ago

Share

I had to up the goal for this campaign to be able to continue to pay for all these treatments. You folks have been so kind to me and I deeply appreciate that. If it is possible to chip in a few more dollars, that would be a huge help.

Thanks,

Mark
(Wise Zipper Chest)

GoFundMe update 2: The goal now doubled.

\$5,145 of \$6,000 goal



Raised by 103 people in 1 month

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Created July 23, 2017

Mark Bunker

Medical

CLEARWATER, FL

GoFundMe campaign: August 2017 updated goal.

Then in September, it had been increased again, now to \$7,000.

\$5,560 of \$7,000 goal


Raised by 116 people in 1 month

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Created 23 July 2017

Mark Bunker 

 Medical

 CLEARWATER, FL

GoFundMe campaign: September 2017 updated goal.

Bunker continued to promote the July campaign for several months, including sending out messages claiming he'd been home for "a month", when in fact it had already been four months after donors met the campaign goal and at least three months after the surgery was completed.



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Sorry for the tweet about my surgery. I looked at my YouTube channel last night and realized I had never made it public, forgetting it would send it out fresh as a tweet. Sent out the recovery vid to show I'm okay.

6:48 AM - 21 Nov 2017

23 Likes



Tweet from Bunker, Nov 21, 2017.



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Just an update, since I sleepily made my first vid about the surgery public last nigh...



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6:56 AM - 21 Nov 2017

5 Likes



Twitter link to July 23, 2017 GoFundMe campaign.



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After a yearlong campaign, Bunker made \$6,600 in cash handouts on his July 2017 campaign.

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Wise Beard Man Goes Under the Knife

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\$6,600 of \$7,000 goal

Raised by 139 people in 12 months

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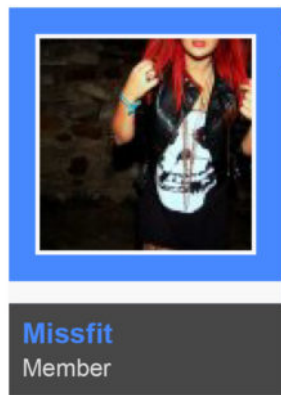
Created July 23, 2017

Mark Bunker ✓
 Medical
 CLEARWATER, FL

GoFundMe campaign a year later.

Critical Reception

Apparently, it never occurred to Bunker that the people he was asking to support him had to face similar problems in life and solved them by working harder.



You know, I'm pretty much down to help most people when they are in shitty situations but I can't help but feel like Mark takes advantage of the recognition he has gained from being a critic. Every thing he does he crowd sources....his rent, his legal fees, his "movie", his move to FL, his medical bills...Enough is enough. He's a grown man who seemingly cannot figure out how to get a job that will at least help keep him afloat to where he doesn't have to pander to people for money every time his life hiccups. I truly stopped caring about his cash grab for this "movie" that I do not believe will ever get made, whatever, let people help fund it if they want. But I think it's gross that he now uses us for every nickel and dime he can get.

I'm sorry if this sounds insensitive, I do really hope things go well for him and he has a speedy recovery. But I also think he needs to buck up and stop using the anti-sci community as his personal financial safety cushion.

Missfit, Jul 25, 2017

#1166

Like x 9

Critical reception in response to Bunkers July 23, 2017 campaign.

Help to Others

In addition to tracking the campaigns Bunker carried out to get others to give him money, GoFundMe also tracked the campaigns Bunker has helped with his own contributions. There are none.



Mark Bunker

0 donations made • **0** raised from sharing • **4** campaigns started

Bunker's GoFundMe campaign tracker.