

Annual Impact Report

2023

Our mission is to mobilize local churches to transform lives & communities In the Name of Christ.

OUR STAFF



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OUR BOARD

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PARTNER CHURCHES

- Calvary Corvallis
- Calvin Presbyterian
- Capilla Del Valle
- Chinese Christian Church
- Christ Church
- Christ Central Anglican Church
- Circle Church of Christ
- College United Methodist
- Corvallis Evangelical
- Corvallis Mennonite Fellowship
- Corvallis Seventh Day Adventist
- Empowered Church

- First Baptist Church of Corvallis
- Grace City Church
- Iglesia Emanuel
- · Kings Circle Assembly of God
- Korean Presbyterian Church
- Life Community Church
- Living Faith Community Church
- New Life Fellowship
- Northwest Hills Community Church The Refuge
- Northside Church
- Peace Lutheran of Philomath
- · Philomath Community Church

- Pioneer Church
- Redemption Church
- Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran
- Southside Community Church
- St. Mary's Catholic Church
- Suburban Christian Church
- The Branch
- The Hive Communities
- Wellspring Covenant Church
- Village Christian Church
- Westminster Presbyterian Church
- Westwood Community Church

OFFICE & CALL CENTER



The Love INC office is buzzing every week with dedicated volunteers. From answering phones, to clerical projects, inventorying Gap Ministry items, data entry... there's no shortage of excitement! It is "ground zero" - the very heart and foundation of the entire Love INC ministry. If you're in the office at 11:30 Monday-Thursday, you'll hear a little bell jingle. It signals everyone in the office to gather and pray. The prayer time is rich, emotional, and powerful as volunteers & staff lift up the requests that have come through the Call Center that day.

It is the first opportunity we have to begin to listen to and care for people while exploring ways for churches to be helpful. The Call Center receives requests for help, discerns the best solution, and then refers the request to a Gap Ministry, partner church, or community agency. After people are helped, the Call Center follows up to ensure the need was met and to offer continued support.



& RECEIVED











It's a blessing to be able to assist the office staff in doing utility things, so they are freed up to attend to the vital outreach of Love INC. Their attitude of care and respect for everyone encourages me.

-Karen, Office Volunteer



I am blessed each time I talk with someone because it gives me the opportunity to be a conduit of God's love, grace and hope. I am especially blessed when I get to pray for them at the end of our talk, incorporating promises from God's Word that speaks to their specific area of need. -Dan, Call Center Volunteer





GAP MINISTRIES



+ BABY BUNDLE MINISTRY

Offers basic newborn items Calvin Presbyterian Church

+ BICYCLE MINISTRY

Offers bikes, helmets, locks Northside Christian Church

+ CARE CLOSET

Basic clothing items for 0-18 years Northwest Hills Community Church

+ DENTAL REFERRALS

Covered \$1,216 in dental service copays Impacting 7 people

+ MED SHED

Offers durable medical equipment Southside Storage. No client intake required.

+ FARM

Provides meat from 4H auction donations In 2023: 3,000 lbs helped feed 15,000 people!

Thanks for what you do. Please don't ever stop doing this. -Love INC Client

+ FIREWOOD MINISTRY

Keeps families warm by providing firewood Calvary Corvallis

+ GIFT CLOSET

Party packs & birthday gifts for ages 0-18 Life Community Church

+ HYGIENE MINISTRY

Provides basic hygiene items for all ages Christ Church

+ KITCHEN CLOSET

Small appliances and basic kitchen necessities *Life Community Church*

+ LINEN MINISTRY

Bed & bath supplies
Northwest Hills Community Church

+ DELIVERY TEAM

Makes Gap Ministry deliveries as needed Representing various churches

+ OTHER

Board, committees, group projects, etc. *Representing various churches*



VOLUNTEERS



HOURS



PEOPLE IMPACTED

*NOT INCLUDING FARM

\$90,170 VALUE OF GOODS DONATED







GROW TOGETHER PROGRAM



It was an amazing year in Grow Together! God provided new volunteers, classes and participants. Many clients are taking practical steps of growth and seeing transformation in their lives. A team of volunteer Prayer Warriors lifted up more than 200 requests throughout the year. Three terms of classes (91 unique class sessions) were offered, including Boundaries, Faith & Finances, Affirming Potential, Parenting with Love & Logic™ and a brand-new class called Healthy Lifestyles.



60 ADULTS AND 40 CLIENTS PARTICIPATED IN CLASSES

+25 KIDS IN CHILDCARE PROGRAM!





\$19,800 SERVICES INFUSED IN THE COMMUNITY



38 VOLUNTEERS SERVED 969 HOURS



Church volunteers preparing a meal for Grow Together volunteers & participants



Client Care Coordinator, Kathleen, (right) smiles with Grow Together participants



Meal nights happen twice each term and are a special time of fellowship

+ VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT

Kevin began volunteering in the Love INC Call Center in 2021. With a background in law enforcement, he has a big heart for serving people in need. He was introduced to the Grow Together program, and loves facilitating Affirming Potential. Also being a volunteer for Dial-a-Bus he jumped in and provides transporation for Grow Together clients every Thursday night. As if he needed something else to do, Kevin recently joined the Love INC Board!

Scan the QR code or visit our website to watch a video about Kevin's testimony.



yourloveinc.org/volunteer

IMPACT STORIES



VOLUNTEER TESTIMONY

I met Emma* last fall in the Affirming Potential class. I liked her from the start because she was open, sensitive and honest. During one of our class time conversations, I asked about her personal faith. She said that she really didn't have a faith, although she had gone to church in the past but she wasn't currently. Each week, when we asked for prayer requests, she would shake her head and say she didn't have any. One week, late in the class term she said she had news to share. Emma and her two small children had been living at a family shelter and their allowed time there was running out. She had applied for housing and received a notice that her request had been accepted and that housing would be available in Marion County. It was good news, but she really did not want to move out of Corvallis where her kids were in a preschool that they loved, and she didn't want to move away from the Love INC community she had made. At prayer request time, I suggested she write down what she was hoping for and told her that we would pray for her. She wrote her first prayer request and the Love INC prayer network got to work!

Emma was beaming when she came to class the next week. She & her caseworker had found a 3 bedroom townhouse in Corvallis, and they were trying to get them moved in by Christmas. I loved looking her in the eyes and telling her that this news was an answer to our prayers for her prayer request! "I guess it was," was her reply. Emma and her children moved into their townhouse on December 22nd and celebrated Christmas in their own home. She and the kids love their new home and their neighbors. What privilege to witness God's love and grace!

*Name changed to protect identity

-Shirley, Love INC Volunteer

CHURCH PARTNER TESTIMONIES



PASTOR JOHN ORTON, CHRIST CHURCH

It's great to have a partner who knows the pulse of the local community and can mobilize others to help meet tangible needs in the name of Christ. For the past few years we've have the privilege of partnering by hosting the Hygiene Closet. Through the closet we have been able to build relationships with our neighbors and pray for them; all while taking care of very practical needs. We've even seen neighbors visit and connect to the church as a result. We look forward to seeing what God will do in the days ahead!



PASTOR JOSH CARSTENSEN, NORTHWEST HILLS

Northwest Hills loves our partnership with Love INC! We have people serving in all capacities at Love INC including board members, client intake specialist, class teachers, and Gap Ministry Leaders. We have the joy of getting to serve Love INC clients particularly through the Linen Closet and Care Closet. Being involved with Love INC gives us an opportunity to see first-hand all that God is doing through this incredible ministry and meet so many of the people in our city whose lives are changed. Love INC brings the churches of Benton County together – thank you so much Love INC for supporting the churches to love people like Jesus tells us to!

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

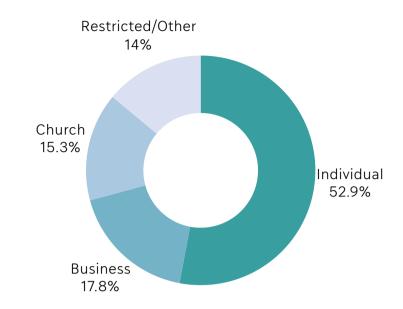


We are grateful for another year of God's provision. After establishing savings goals and financial policies last year, 2023 was a year of alignment as we looked toward the future. For the first time, we had a full staff team which enabled exciting program growth!

In this year of transition, income was \$254,847 (8% increase over 2022) and expenses were \$283,692. Financial reserves helped bridge the gap.

With our first-ever fundraising event planned for early 2024, we are eager to expand our donor base to meet the growing need for the vital ministries of Love INC in Benton County.

2023 REVENUE SOURCES





My wife and I support Love INC because it is a demonstration of the unity of God's church in our county. We love seeing people discover that Jesus can transform their lives far beyond what they (or anyone else) might think is possible for them. - Love INC Donor

+ HOLIDAY GIVING

Holidays at Love INC have looked different over the years. From our annual Christmas Store, to a pause during the pandemic, to our holiday giving model being reinvented in 2022. All clients were eligible to receive a Thanksgiving basket in 2023, and Grow Together client participants were eligible to receive Christmas gifts and holiday meal items.

Together, 13 partner churches adopted 41 families for Thanksgiving, impacting 223 people and 10 churches adopted 13 Grow Together families for Christmas, impacting 35 people.



My favorite thing was that they (church) were willing to help. But this year, I actually got some gifts for myself. It made me feel like I wasn't forgotten... Like I matter. My most favorite gift was a gift that was already used. It was a bunch of beads and jewelry making stuff. It didn't matter to me that it was used. It made it feel more personal. - Love INC Client

My favorite part was the look on my girls' faces when they opened their gifts. It was such a great experience... thank you!
- Love INC Client



Thanks for allowing us to be a part of this - we enjoyed being able to connect with someone who regularly attends our church and bless her family. - Pastor Krystle, Life Community Church

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



2023 felt like a whirlwind! From growing our staff team early in the year, to new Grow Together curriculum and revitalized Gap Ministries... over 300 church volunteers were mobilized to meet the multi-faceted needs of our community. We were reminded, at every turn, that God is the faithful organizer of our steps. He saw ahead and provided transportation for Grow Together clients, volunteers to unpack 3,000 pounds of meat, small groups to make meals, and so much more! This Annual Report is but a small glimpse into the full window of ministry that occurred.

We say it all the time, but we'll say it again: it takes collaboration and connection across denominational lines to address the struggles of the community in a way that is relational and holistic. The ministry of Love INC exists to help believers link arms in unity to offer a "hand up," not just a "hand out."

We are hopeful and expectant for all the things God has in store for Love INC in 2024! Consider this your invitation to "join the journey" through volunteering, praying, or giving financially. It can't be done without you!

Jennifer Hanson
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SEE IT FOR YOURSELF:

Kiley Aleston

This brief Annual Impact Report is but a glimpse into the ministry that occurs on a day to day basis. Please visit our website for a more in-depth look at how Benton County churches are serving our neighbors in need. From video testimonies, to newsletters, and more... Our redesigned website was created with you in mind!

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