Bethel Shelters



2022 | ANNUAL REPORT

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR

2022 was a pivotal year for Bethel Shelters. One of our most notable successes was the creation of our Workforce Development Program. Developed in partnership with United Way of York County and the City of Rock Hill, this program is focused on providing case management to individuals who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness. Our case manager assists clients with gaining workforce skills, education, and resources so that these individuals may reenter the workforce and achieve financial stability. This program is complemented by the Bethel Shelters Back to Work Program, a partnership with the City of Rock Hill that helps individuals gain part-time contracted employment (see pg. 5 for more information about this program).

Also in 2022, we expanded our staff capacity, largely in response to an increase in case management needs by our clients. Our board authorized the expansion of our case management team from one part-time case manager to two full-time case managers – one focusing on providing case management to our clients at the Men's Night Shelter and one focused on administering the new Workforce Development Program. Additionally, we hired a full-time Office and Accounting Administrator to assist with the growing number of administrative and accounting needs at Bethel Shelters.

Although 2022 saw many successes for Bethel Shelters, we also faced new challenges. Most significant was the discovery of a foundational failure of the back wall in the main building of the Bethel United Methodist Church, the home to our Men's Night Shelter. In response to this discovery, in September we moved all Night Shelter guests from the sleeping area to a temporary sleeping area, moved all staff to available space at the Day Shelter, and vacated all other first-floor spaces.

Although the risk to staff and guests was low, we made this decision out of an abundance of caution and care for those we serve. Since that time, we have begun taking steps necessary to remediate the issue and anticipate that our guests and staff will be able to move back into the Night Shelter before the end of 2023.

Despite this challenge, Bethel Shelters remained open 23 hours per day every day of the year, serving individuals in our community at both the Day Shelter and Night Shelter. During this time, we assisted clients with meeting basic needs, receiving essential services, and becoming financially independent, all while growing our programs and our staff. This great effort would not have been possible without the dedicated work of our staff, board, volunteers, and donors. So, it is with a full heart that I thank you for your commitment, effort, and willingness to care for those in need in our community. We look forward to continuing this mission with you in 2023.

Blessings - Rev. Emily Sutton

EVENING SHELTER DATA

331 guests — SERVED

14K — SHELTER STAYS

36 guests — MOVED INTO OTHER PROGRAMS

10 guests — MOVED INTO PERMANENT HOUSING

62 guests — HIGHEST NUMBER IN A SINGLE NIGHT



EVENING SHELTER DATA

16 veterans SERVED

12 18-25 year olds SERVED

32 62+ years old SERVED

40 chronically homeless SERVED





DAY SHELTER DATA

15K SHELTER STAYS

580 GUESTS SERVED

393 MEN

185 WOMEN

2 NO SINGLE GENDER



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Workforce Development Program Overview

The Workforce Development Program (WFDP) provides case management centered around assisting individuals who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness with workforce skills, education, and resources. The Bethel Shelters Workforce Development Case Manager assesses each individual to understand their basic needs and goals. The goal of the WFDP is to ensure that individuals have the skills and knowledge to obtain financial stability by entering or reentering the workforce. When individuals are out of crisis situations, Bethel Shelters will refer individuals to the United Way of York County Financial Stability Network to promote financial self-sufficiency. Bethel Shelters has partnered with United Way of York County, York Technical College, Winthrop University, West Marine, The City of Rock Hill, Catawba Mental Health, Alston Wilkes, and other agencies to ensure individuals meet their goals in the WFDP.

72 PARTICIPANTS IN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

4 PARTICIPANTS WHO OBTAINTED HOUSING

16 PARTICIPANTS IN THE BACK TO WORK PROGRAM

LENGTH OF TIME IT TOOK FOR PARTICPANTS TO GET JOBS

- 1-10 DAYS - 19 CLIENTS
- 11-20 DAYS - 1 CLIENT
- 21-30 DAYS - 1 CLIENT
- 31-61 DAYS - 2 CLIENTS

OUR 2022 MILESTONES

January 16

Both the Day Shelter and Night Shelter remained open during the winter storm to ensure everyone was safe and warm.

February 9

Bethel Shelters assisted with the Point In Time Count, a nationwide count of homeless individuals.

April 9

Revealed our name change to Bethel Shelters at our Donor and Volunteer Appreciation Event.

May - August

Bethel Shelters hired a full-time Lead Case Manager, Workforce Development Case Manager and Office and Accounting Administrator.

September 9

Bethel Shelters successfully transitioned the sleeping area to the Bethel UMC gym due to a foundational failure.

October 3 - 9

Love Our Neighbor, our weeklong community event raised money and awareness of Bethel Shelters.

November 14

Overflow shelters opened to ensure all homeless men in our community have a safe place to sleep in the winter.

December 2

First annual Hot Chocolate for the Homeless event at the Rock Hill Christmas Parade to raise awareness and money for Bethel Shelters.

FUNDING SOURCES

$48K
from businesses

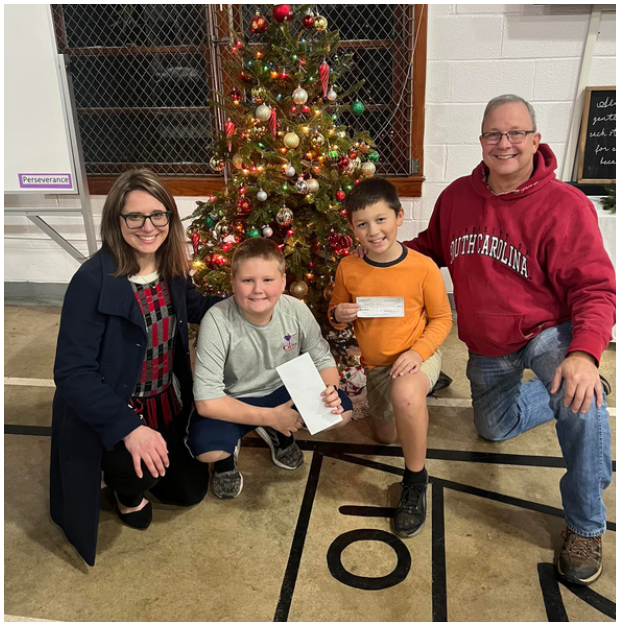
$549K
from grants

$31K
from fundraisers

$221K
from individuals

$46K
from churches

$895K
total



LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR

Each year, Bethel Shelters hosts a weeklong community event to raise money, increase awareness, and garner volunteers. From Saturday to Friday, we hold fundraisers at various restaurants around York County, and on Saturday we have our annual BBQ sale, courtesy of Elam's Rollin Smoke BBQ and Carruth's Pig Pen.

2022 was an incredible event, with new sponsors, amazing volunteers, and our most successful Love Our Neighbor event. We want to thank each person who helped make it possible!



Shelter Partner:
Comporium

Shelter Advocates:
OTS Media - WRHI
Bethel United Methodist Church
St John's United Methodist Church
Interstate Solutions
Love Security

Shelter Supporters:
The Welcome Table
Elam's Rollin' Smoke
Carruth's Pig Pen
Pier 51 Seafood

Friends of the Shelter:
Okoye Law LLC
Turner Murphy Company
Rock Hill Coffee Roasters
Gill Insurance
Comporium Pioneer Club
Salt Paper Studio
Williamson Flooring
Industrial Service and Solutions
Rollins Pest Control
Morton & Getty's

Restaurant Sponsors:
Sub Station II
El Cancun Mexican Restaurant
Ay Papi Tacos and Tequila
Roasting Company - Rock Hill
The Little Cafe
Showmars - Rock Hill
Tega Cay Deli
Rock Hill Bagels

THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL 2022.







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