

IMPACT REPORT

2023



Creating flourishing neighborhoods
where relationships build resilience
and hope changes outcomes

SAFE RELATIONSHIPS MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

“I told my classmates that I was gonna ride my bike off the roof of the school.” Mike, now a middle-aged homeless man with a friendly demeanor, grinned as he reminisced about his 6th grade year. “I wasn’t serious, but once word got around the school that I was gonna do it, I said to myself, ‘I’m either gonna come out of this a hero or look like a softie.’ Mike rode his bike off the one-story roof to impress a crowd of middle-schoolers, sustained only minor injuries, but got expelled later that year for an unrelated incident.



Mike described his middle-school self as a “latchkey kid.” Besides his mom, who worked all the time, he had no positive adults in his life. Mike made friends, but with all the wrong people, landing him time in prison as a young man. Decades later, he lives on the streets, coping with his trauma by “always keeping a drink in me. I’ve gotten sober before but drinking is the only way to numb the pain and danger.”

Mike comes to One Hope’s street outreach each week, as well as occasionally attending church services with the One Hope staff. He has found a taste of safety and healthy community and is hopeful of regaining housing soon. While it is good that he is being incorporated into a community of

support through One Hope and our partners, how much trauma could have been prevented (not to mention tax dollars saved) had some caring adults walked alongside him during childhood?

At the Rose Bowl, we care for kids who are on the same track Mike was on. Kids don’t have to bike off a roof if they have a safe space where they know they are loved. In One Hope programs, staff build relationships with kids and youth, affirming they are important, and that they have a future, as well as developing healthy coping skills through music, sports, and fine arts. We hear all the time from our kids: “The Rose Bowl is my safe space.”

No child thinks, “when I grow up, I want to go to prison, or become an alcoholic.” But many kids with high trauma and low community support, find themselves where Mike did. Our generous supporters help change these outcomes. After telling me his story, Mike prayed, “Thank you God for everything I’ve been through, I don’t know why and I wouldn’t have chosen it, but you are with me through it all.” **Whatever stage of life our neighbors are in, God is with them, and so are we.**

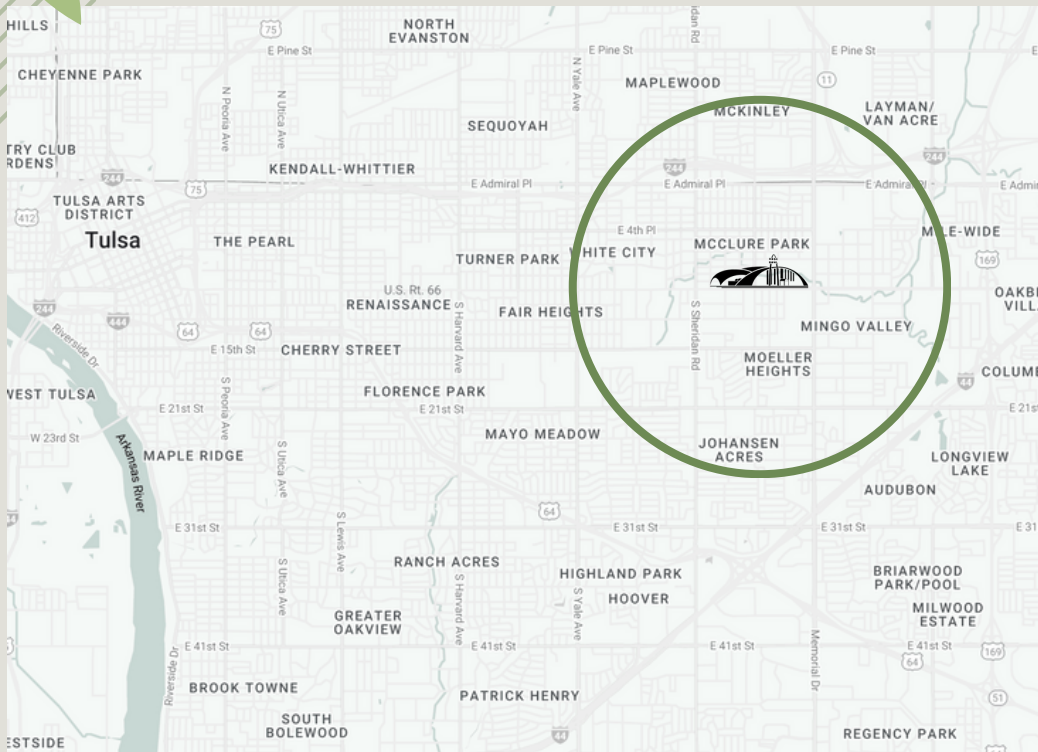
-Caleb Walter,
One Hope Staff



Caleb manning the grill for a summer outreach

“The Rose Bowl is my safe space” - Namora, age 5

OUR NEIGHBORHOOD



Our team lives and works inside this circle

Neighborhood Landscape

- 43% of families with young children live in poverty.
- Only 7% of low-income 3rd graders are proficient readers.
- 14% of Tulsa's unsheltered population lives less than 1.5 miles from the Rose Bowl.
- 3x more exposure to violent crime than Tulsa average.
- 2x more child abuse & neglect than national average.

OUR TEAM

Staff

- Miriam Boone, *Executive Director*
- Matt Stavros, *Operations Director*
- Jillian Hazel, *Children's Program Director*
- Caleb Walter, *Executive Assistant*
- Jordan Allison, *Youth Coordinator*
- Will Richardson, *Facilities Coordinator*
- Lesley Hill, *Fellowship & Music Consultant*
- Kaity Shelley, *Assistant Program Coordinator*
- Jerusha Funderburk, *Youth Program Consultant*
- Glory Blankenship, *Community Development Consultant*

Board

- Brian Jobe
- Joe Blankenship
- Greg Simmons
- Bill Blankenship
- Fred Sabatini
- Malachi Blankenship
- Courtney Dean

Fellows

- Elissa Moore
- Sam Shideler
- Wes Addington
- Ruthie Moore
- XinMing Kuon



Team retreat



Summer interns

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS



Kids, Youth, and Family Programs

The Rose Bowl opens its doors to kids year-round through our elementary, middle-school, and high-school programs focused on building relationships that will foster future flourishing.

- **140** kids and youth spent over **700** hours/week at the Rose Bowl
- **350** kids attended our **21st annual** Project 61 Sports and Arts Camp
- **200** youth participated in before-school Bible studies
- **100%** of program participants received individualized trauma-responsive support

Leadership Development

We invest in the next generation of leaders through a summer internship and year-long fellowship. Spiritual formation in the context of ministry in the neighborhood equips new leaders with the heart and how of trauma-responsive, community development work.

- **12** summer interns spent **4,800** collective hours serving the neighborhood.
- Our fellows spent 125 hours/week serving in programs
- We are approaching **200** intern alumni



Neighborhood Care

Events

We work to cultivate safe spaces and relationships in our neighborhood. In addition to initiating work projects that bless and beautify physical spaces, we welcome hundreds of neighbors to community events. From block parties to holiday celebrations, these gatherings provide hope-building rhythms for our neighborhood.

- **2,000+** unique neighbors visited the Rose Bowl
- **4** seasonal gatherings with **300+** neighbors
- **12** community meals with **100+** neighbors
- **200+** volunteers helped run events

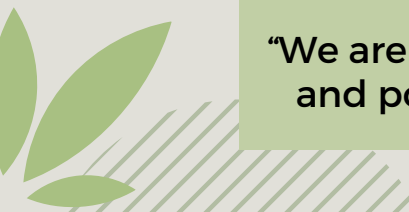
Outreach

We meet our neighbors through weekly outreaches to local apartment complexes, unsheltered neighbors, long-term stay motels, and wherever else we can connect with those on the margins.

- **2,500** meals served a year on outreach
- **1,000** resource and referral bags distributed
- **20+** outreach locations visited monthly
- **1,500** hours engaging in face-to-face outreach



“We are grateful for the opportunity to be a part of a positive and powerful experience. Thank you One Hope.” - Parent



EXPENSE BREAKDOWN

Programs

\$586,045

Admin

\$72,012

Fundraising

\$48,778

“I was thinking about going back to using [drugs] again but meeting you guys gave me the hope to stay away from that life.” - Unsheltered Neighbor

YEAR OF GROWTH

WINTER

- Monday Night Club founded



SPRING

- Motel Outreach Team created
- Neighborhood Nonprofit Coalition created

SUMMER

- Homebound Outreach Team created
- MidDay program created
- Rose Bowl wall damaged
- Director of Children's Programs hired
- Love Day with COTM



FALL

- Rose Bowl wall repaired
- Facilities Coordinator hired
- Homeless Bible Study begins
- Basketball Fundraiser with Coach Hinson



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE



“It's amazing how the staff has always been so in tune with the kiddos! It's obvious they love what they do. Their passion and commitment to be the kind of mentors and friends our kids need is truly inspiring and restores HOPE for a brighter future!”

- Resilient Kids parent

Preschool: We are piloting a preschool that will impact our neighbors at a critical stage of development.

Playground: We have broken ground on an outdoor play area that our neighbors will be able to enjoy.

Director of Development: We are actively searching for qualified candidates to increase our organizational capacity by augmenting our fundraising efforts.

Mentoring Partnership: We are working with Stand in the Gap to provide their LifeLaunch mentoring services to our most vulnerable teens.

Online Student Care Groups: We are expanding our regulation skill development program to include neighborhood kids who are enrolled in online school.

This past summer, a few of my young neighbors stopped by and surprised me with a sign they had made. They had taped construction paper together, decorated it with hearts and stickers, and written a message in red marker:

“WE LOVE ONE HOPE”

These girls' lives are full of challenges, but they come to the Rose Bowl every time our doors are open, and I'm so grateful it's their safe place. Thank you for helping us create a place where our neighbors love to be.

-Miriam Boone, Executive Director