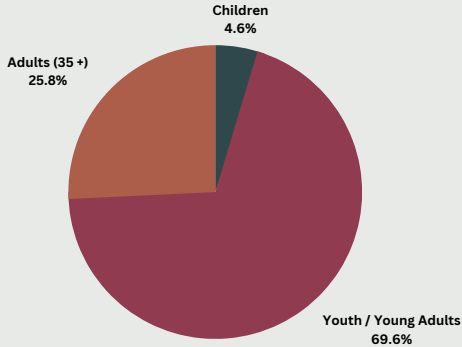




Share Peace and Rekindle Kindness 2022 Annual Review



Between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022 SPARK facilitated service opportunities for 1,250 individuals in 52 meaningful, hands-on and community-building service opportunities.

Where and Who

We create relationships and partnerships to try our best at ensuring our service projects aren't transactional. While we're in many places, you can find us in serving in these spaces throughout any given week: The Dwelling, Peacehaven Mobile Home Park, The Community Coat Closet

Youth and Kid Focused

Service that is with and for kids, meeting their physical and emotional needs.

- After school program every Thursday
- Annual pajama, book and blanket distribution
- Opportunities for families to serve with their children and teens

Food Insecurity

Service around food insecurity takes place in different ways from distributing prepared food by volunteers to serve community meals, serving in food pantries both distributing and stocking shelves in all zip codes and helping hands in community gardens.

Trailblazing and Care

The upkeep of important spaces in our community is service that we've helped maintain:

- Love Out Loud Yadkin's Trail
- Odd Fellows Cemetery
- Neighborhood Gardens
- The Community Coat Closet

Unhoused Community

The unhoused population in Winston-Salem is near to SPARK. We partner with churches and other organizations to serve these neighbors through:

- Community meals and special events
- Warm wear distribution
- Providing leadership opportunities

Partnership is Key

SPARK's work is designed for partnership.

- Organizations focused on youth involvement and orgs directly working with clients
- Churches, businesses and schools to be served and/or provide service
- Local neighborhoods

Keeping W-S Warm

SPARK is the fiscal sponsor for The Community Coat Closet. We lead collections and distributions throughout the year and have groups from the community help organize our closet to keep us ready to serve our unhoused neighbors and WSFCS students.

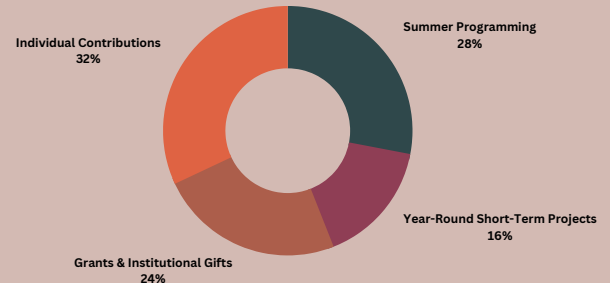
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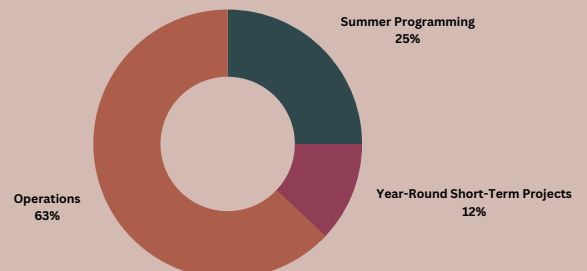
SPARK and The Dwelling partner to host week-long Spirit & Service Learning Trips geared for youth groups throughout the summer. In summer of 2022, we had 5 sessions, hosting 175 youth and adults from 21 churches and 9 different states. Throughout the summer we partnered with 28 organizations to provide diverse service projects, hosted a community meal each week, and led 5 poverty simulations. Our summer programming, Spark'Dwell, had 4 young adult staff members and 18 Dwelling counselors who are living or have the lived experience of homelessness.

This spring break we hosted 9 college students and 2 leaders from South Dakota serving 6 projects including a community meal.

Income



Expenses



We're thankful for shared spaces!

**We have offices at
Burkhead United Methodist Church
and
The Hub**

sharing space with The Dwelling, Love Out Loud,
Restore One, Positive Wellness Alliance,
The Community Coat Closet and City with Dwellings



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