



Cultivating flourishing neighborhoods in Northeast Tulsa



IMPACT REPORT

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OUR MISSION

One Hope Tulsa cultivates safe spaces and relationships for neighborhood flourishing through kids, youth, and family programs, neighborhood care, and leadership development.



WHAT IS FLOURISHING?



A message from our executive director



I have often heard well-meaning Tulsans tell me “Don’t go east of Sheridan” or “don’t go north of I-244.” “I live east of Sheridan,” I’ll respond, “and I love it there.” That’s not to say there aren’t challenges in my neighborhood. We have high rates of violent crime, abuse, trauma, poverty, substandard housing, as well as schools struggling to meet academic standards. But those numbers aren’t the full story. As is so often His way, God is faithfully at work to bring hope and love to my neighborhood. Just as the Spirit of God in Genesis 1 hovered over the unformed, chaotic waters and brought something out of nothing, light out of darkness, so God is calling forth light and love from the brokenness present in my neighborhood. I am honored to lead One Hope Tulsa as we pursue our role as a community-based organization following God’s call to spread His hope, love, and good news to our neighbors.

We believe that God meets us in each of these areas and brings hope and healing through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus

OUR NEIGHBORHOOD



Staff home



Outreach location



Partner church



Partner school



There are approximately

2,300 kids living in poverty in One Hope Tulsa's focus area.

In 2024, we were able to impact

1,028 kids at the Rose Bowl through community programs.

KIDS, YOUTH, & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Free programs for kids ages 2-18

We brought hope, relational trust, and resources to 1,028 northeast Tulsa kids through afterschool, summer camps, Friday nights, weekend sports teams, and our new preschool.

"One Hope has become a second family to me. I love that my kids can feel safe and make new friends, they are truly themselves while at One Hope. The staff are amazing and all generous."
- Mom of 5 One Hope Kids



PROGRAM

DETAILS

STATS

Resilient Kids

Preschool, afterschool, and summer enrichment trauma responsive programs designed to build resilience, strengthen hope, and provide stability.

- Our largest elementary school partner is Bell Elementary (57% of Resilient Kids)

MidDay

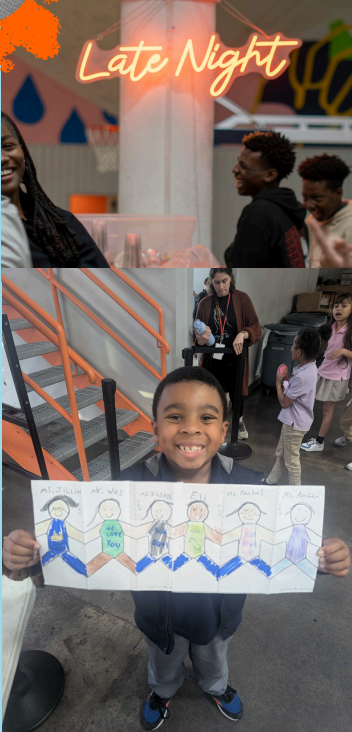
Skill-building and mentorship for middle schoolers. Clubs include Art, Sports, Dinner Prep, Field Trips, and more!

- From spring to fall, our afterschool attendance grew by 58%

Late Night

Safe Friday Night destination where at-risk teens can cultivate community and receive mentorship.

- Our largest secondary school partner is Nathan Hale (65% of One Hope Youth)



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



7 summer interns | 3 fellows

I experienced the love of Jesus Christ through proximity and community! I will carry that with me for the rest of my life. - Lydia

I grew as I saw God working up close and felt His presence. I learned a lot about the brokenness of the world but I learned to trust God to do the heavy lifting. - Avery

Yes, I loved it. I saw and felt God's love more palpably than ever. This is a place where I feel God's call. -Luke

The internship and the people I met through it taught me what it's like to have light in darkness, joy in pain, and love in the midst of evil. God's light is truly shining in this place. - Jane

The fellowship has been an immersive, challenging, and fruitful experience! The program has allowed me to join a loving neighborhood, staff various youth and family programs, join outreaches to vulnerable neighbors, and think critically about challenges within urban ministry. God has used the hospitality of my neighbors to care for me in times of need, and rejoice with me in celebration! - Elissa

NEIGHBORHOOD CARE

**CASE
MANAGEMENT**



OUTREACHES



**SERVICE
PROJECTS**



EVENTS

OUTREACH SNAPSHOT

5

apartment complexes

8

motels

3

homebound locations

23

street outreach
hotspots

1,895

meals served at UTB



**Our Lights On Christmas event
set a Rose Bowl record! We
welcomed **630** neighbors**

We hosted **35** community events at the Rose Bowl in 2024.

QUOTE WALL



"One Hope has been a Godsend for my grandson. As an only child in a single-parent home, his participation in Resilient Kids has been exactly what he has needed. The staff at One Hope is amazing!"
-Karen, Parent

"Do we have One Hope tomorrow?" -Zolon, Kid

"My son has never enjoyed any kind of program the way he has enjoyed One Hope!"
-Brittany, Parent

"We really appreciate what One Hope has done for our children, you all became our family."
-Candace, Parent

"Glad my kids have a place like this."
-Duffy, Parent

"I love coming to One Hope because its where I see my favorite people."
-Kylee, Teen

"Mis hijos aprendan a convivir y ser mejores niños con los demas personas"
-Olga, Parent

"The Rose Bowl is a place where you can talk about God."
- Jeremiah, Teen

"The Rose Bowl is fun and an inspiring place to be at and everyone there welcomes you with a warm and happy smile."
-Emarionee, Teen

"The Rose Bowl is belonging, safety, and comfort to our community." -Sarah, Parent



Board members

- Joe Blankenship, President
- Brian Jobe, Chair
- Greg Simmons, Treasurer
- Bill Blankenship
- Fred Sabatini
- Courtney Dean
- Malachi Blankenship

Light in the Darkness

Joe Blankenship, Founder

2024 has been a year like no other at One Hope Tulsa. We were confronted with unthinkable tragedies that underscored the darkness many in our community face daily. In January, we mourned the loss of a mom to domestic violence whose kids had been a part of our One Hope family for many years. In November, our hearts broke again with the tragic deaths of two young children in our Resilient Kids after-school program. We also lost neighbors to suicide and gun violence. In the midst of tears, One Hope Tulsa became a refuge—a safe place where surviving family members found love, counsel, and practical help. Our team stepped in with compassion to meet immediate needs and offer hope in the darkest times. We believe everyone should have someone to call and someone who cares – even on your darkest day.

Amid these reminders of the immense challenges our neighbors face, we also witnessed incredible hope and resilience. In 2024, One Hope Tulsa served more kids and families than ever before. We thank our supporters, who generously give through grants, donations, and volunteering, enabling light to shine brightly in the darkness. Together, we can continue to be a refuge for vulnerable kids and families, providing safety, stability, and the resources needed to build a brighter future.

Will you join us?

Volunteer

We are always looking for partners to join us, whether for a single event or project or on a regular basis. Visit our [website](#) to fill out an interest form!

Pray

1. Pray for kids and youth with low family support/involvement and for our staff to faithfully be a positive influence and support in their lives.
2. Pray for wisdom for the board and leadership team to steward resources most effectively to pursue neighborhood flourishing.
3. Ask God to continue to supply resources for One Hope through supporters, grants, community partnerships, and churches.



Connect your church

Get your church involved in local missions! Scan the QR Code to request more information.



Key partnerships

Springs of Grace Church
Church on the Move
BeHeard Movement
Isaiah 58 Ministries
theMission Church
Nathan Hale Middle & High School
Bell Elementary School
Lindbergh Elementary School
Tulsa Honor Academy

McClure Park Neighborhood Association
Rose Crossing Neighborhood Association
The Opportunity Project
Hope-Driven Coaching
Hope is Alive
University of Tulsa Football Team
Owasso Football Team
Union Volleyball and Football Teams
Broken Arrow Football Teams

Simmons and Kourtis
Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma
Midwest Sporting Goods
A Way Home For Tulsa Coalition
District 3 City Councilor
Covenant College Community
Development Department
Oral Roberts University Social Work
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