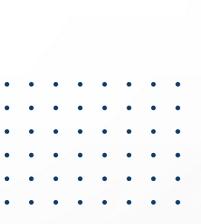


# 2023 ANNUAL REVIEW





### **Board President Message**

#### Greetings!

After post-pandemic challenges, the Faith Alliance (FA) Family is back in full force! We have added talented new members to our board with backgrounds including educational services in the Lakota School District, health care and retirement management, and executive experience with a master's degree in reading! The board truly reflects the full breadth and scope of the services the Faith Alliance hopes to address. But there is always room for you! If you have a passion for service in our community and a devotion to serve as the "hands and feet of Christ" contact us!

We are pleased to report that due to the work of our past Grant-Writer, Kathleen Miller, the Summer Literacy program was fully funded, and the Faith Alliance was able to offer an after-school literacy pilot program during 2022-2023 school year. The program was such a success that we are expanding to three locations this year!

It is because of your commitment that the FA was able to support Reach Out Lakota with our Backpack Ministry and annual food-drive. Finally, we are advocates and supporters of Stepping Forward, sponsored by Faith Community UMC, and the West Chester Presbyterian Community Supper program. Please continue to support their missions and volunteer when you can.

If you or your church would like to join us on our mission, please contact me or any member of the board. Thank you for all that you do as we strive in our mission of "alleviating local poverty and demonstrating Christian love!"



Elizabeth Schirm

**FA Board President** 

### **Our Mission**

Alleviate local poverty, demonstrate Christian love.

**Our Vision** 

That all in our community may experience God's love, hope and joy.

### **2023 Goals**

- Sponsor one Christ & Coffee clergy meeting with guest speaker
- Recruit volunteers for Summer Literacy Program to reach a 1:1 tutor-student ratio
- Launch after-school literacy tutoring pilot program at one Lakota school
- Revitalize Summer Lunch activities & participation by church partners
- Increase participation of church partners in all programs

Identify new sources of funding to fully cover Administrative costs & program expansion

Add 3 new church partners

### **2023 Impact**

19 Church Partners **8**Outreach
Programs

2280 individuals helped

9 pantries stocked 13
non-profits
supported

### **2023 Outreach Programs**



Summer Literacy & After School Tutoring Programs

- 42 struggling Lakota students completed 8 week summer program with 100% showing improvement!
- Bussing, teaching staff, snacks, proven phonic based curriculum & personal Chromebook incentive provided with 1:1 student-tutor ratio most days.
- Launched after-school literacy tutoring pilot program at 1 Lakota school during 2022-23 school year. Success!

Summer Lunch Program

- Held May 31-August 1
- Partnered with Lakota Child Nutrition who delivered 3112 USDA meals to 4 FA community lunch sites.
- New Summer Lunch Administrator hired this year!
- 120+ children participated in program thanks to over 112 volunteers & 10 church partners!
- 52 refurbished bicycles distributed at lunch sites





Feed Our Neighbors in Need Food Drive

- Annual food drive in March
- 15 church partners participated
- 11,005 lbs. of food & toiletries and \$338 collected
- 9 area food pantries served
- 183,000 lbs. of food collected since 2013

Summer Backpack Ministry

- School supplies & monetary donations collected for Reach Out Lakota's Back-to-School program
- 13 church partners participated
- Helped provide 252 Lakota students in need with school supplies for back-to-school.
- Together, we collected \$12,710 in school supplies & monetary donations.





Adopt-a-Child Christmas Drive

- Supported Reach Out Lakota's Holiday Program and Faith Community UMC Choice Pantry Christmas Toy Shop
- Toys & gift cards were collected for over 1000 local children in need
- 12 church partners participated

Community
Supper
Program
Partners

- Year round partnership with Stepping Forward at Faith Community UMC & West Chester Presbyterian Church Community Supper Program.
- 130-140 individuals served weekly at Stepping Forward with 7 church partners assisting in 2023.
- 180-240 meals served weekly at WCPC with 1 church partner assisting in 2023. Help needed1





- Celebrated 10th year
- 6 projects for 5 nonprofits
- 220 volunteers hours by 70 volunteers
- 7 church partners participated
- Clergy event held February 2023 at
- Prasco in Masor
- Prasco Founder and Chairman, E. Thomas Arington, was keynote speaker



### **Board Members** & Director

#### Elizabeth Schirm – Board President

Royal Redeemer Lutheran Church

#### Sue Mahlock - Past President

Crestview Presbyterian Church

#### Stephen Fogle - Board Vice President

**Abundant Grace Church** 

#### Lynne Hoover - Board Treasurer

Crestview Presbyterian Church

### Rachel Canepa – Board Secretary

Mason Crossroads Church

#### Mike Lupidi – Partnership Officer

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

#### Denise Chambers – Programs Officer

Crestview Presbyterian Church

#### **Dr. Christina Williams**

Mason Crossroads Church

#### **Joyce Eaton**

First Baptist Church Hampton

#### **Jane Gegner**

St. Mary's Catholic Church

#### **Myla Perry**

Refreshing Springs Church

### Cathy Borders - Director of Outreach

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

The Faith Alliance added two board members in 2023 while actively seeking additional board members & church partners. Welcome to Jane and Myla!

### Church **Partners**



















































**Meadow Ridge Lunch of Love Church Partners Community volunteers** 

## THANK YOU



2023

Community

**Partners** 

Department















**Don & Alice Ulmer Legacy Giving Fund Church Partner grants & funds Board pledges** And many other private & church donors

2023 **Sponsors Grantors** 

### **Financial Outlook**

| Total Year - Whole \$   |             | 2023          |                 | 2024        |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Fav/(Unfav)             | TY Estimate | <b>BUDGET</b> | <u>Variance</u> | TY Estimate |
| BEGINNING BANK BALANG   | CE 36,473   | 36,473        | -               | 95,031      |
| General Giving          |             |               |                 |             |
| Church                  | 9,639       | 7,650         | 1,989           | 10,000      |
| Individual              | 100         | 4,640         | (4,540)         | -           |
| Organizations & Gra     | nts 31,000  | 25,000        | 6,000           | 30,000      |
| Board Contr./Other      | 3,830       | 1,100         | 2,730           | 4,000       |
| Restricted Giving       |             |               |                 |             |
| Literacy                | 69,225      | 85,610        | (16,385)        | 40,000      |
| Summer Lunch            | 5,800       | 6,000         | (200)           | 6,000       |
| TOTAL REVENUE           | 119,594     | 130,000       | (10,406)        | 90,000      |
| General & Administrativ | е           |               |                 |             |
| Contractor Exp          | 6,859       | 8,000         | (1,141)         | 7,000       |
| Marketing Materials     | 735         | 2,200         | (1,465)         | 800         |
| Insurance               | 4,322       | 4,500         | (178)           | 5,000       |
| All Other               | 896         | 3,100         | (2,204)         | 1,000       |
| Program Costs           |             |               |                 |             |
| Summer Literacy         | 36,256      | 40,900        | (4,644)         | 40,000      |
| After School Literac    | y 6,062     | 3,900         | 2,162           | 8,200       |
| Summer Lunch            | 5,907       | 6,000         | (93)            | 8,500       |
| All Other               | <u> </u>    | 1,100         | (1,100)         | 4,000       |
| TOTAL EXPENSE           | 61,036      | 69,700        | (8,664)         | 74,500      |
| OPERATING INCOME        | 58,558      | 60,300        | (1,742)         | 15,500      |
| ENDING BANK BALANCE     | 95,031      | 96,773        | (1,742)         | 110,531     |

- Strong church partner & extremely generous personal grant donations
- Two years of ODE reimbursements in 2023, only one available in 2024
- Did not receive WalMart or WC/Liberty Foundation in 2023, need in 2024
- Outstanding expense management to offset lower donations than plan
- Fundraising push in 2024 to cover expiration of ODE grant in '25 & beyond



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