FAITHWORKS OF THE INNER CITY





MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear FaithWorks' Friends,

2021 was another difficult year for the FaithWorks' community as we dealt with the continuation of the pandemic. In spite of it all, we kept our doors open and our families' needs met. With the assistance of a community partner, we were able to provide fresh produce and meat to our community each week. The Shidler-Wheeler Thrift Store was the staging area where these products could be picked up or delivered. Through your generous support, we were able to assist families who were in need of medication and financial support during their quarantines. It was a blessing to have funds "on hand" to meet these urgent needs. One of our goals is to "love our neighbors," and during this time, we saw neighbors helping neighbors by sharing their food and making calls to check on one another.

We were also able to support Shidler Elementary teachers and staff with the help of the Shidler Ambassadors by sending encouraging notes and gift cards. We are honored to be a community partner with Shidler Elementary and strive to assist them in educating our children. With the Mommy and Me preschool remaining open, we have continued to bridge the learning gap and are creating educational success for our community children. Currently, with your support, we are assisting three students who are freshmen at Oklahoma City Community College and two who are juniors at the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University. It has been a blessing to support and encourage them during this trying time.

Through the FaithWorks' Word on Wednesday program, Teen program, and summer camps our children were able to hear God's word, worship together, and ask for prayer for their families. These programs were so important during this difficult time. Children were able to hear of God's love and learn from Bible stories how God's people overcame great difficulties, too. We were blessed to have funding to support these programs.

Even though 2021 was "the worst of times," there were blessings! The 12th Street Casa housing project was completed in June giving six families the opportunity for home ownership, as well as providing a "college house" for students who are employed by FaithWorks and attending college. These homes will provide permanence and stability for our families. We are already witnessing a neighborhood community that didn't exist before. Families are taking care of one another, watching out for one another, and enjoying the community that has been provided.

HOW YOU CAN GET

- Build a relationship through tutoring, Teen night, Bible study assistant
- Assist with a project to develop entrepreneurship for our families
- Provide financial support for our building project and current programs/ become a prayer partner

WHAT'S NEXT IN 2022

- Entrepreneurship and adult programsassisting families with moving forward with the input and assistance of business men and women
- Spiritual growth- Men's, women's, college and teen Bible studies
- Gathering place- building of a new structure to house the Artsup art program for middle school students and to create a place to "gather" for events and worship



Executive Director

ABOUT FAITHWORKS OF THE INNER CITY

FaithWorks desires to see a community transformed by God's grace through loving and meaningful relationships. With a dedicated team of staff and volunteers, FaithWorks is able to provide much-needed programs and services to the families of the Shidler-Wheeler community.

With the opening of FaithWorks' Community Center in 2009, the families of the Shidler neighborhood have a central location which provides education, builds community and offers assistance with challenges that life in the inner city brings. This ministry partners with Shidler Elementary and the Shidler-Wheeler community to establish after school programs, Biblical training, and community development.

MISSION AND VISION

FaithWorks of the Inner City is a nonprofit ministry designed to meet the educational, spiritual, and physical needs of inner city children and their families.

OUR CORE VALUES

- Passion for God
- Prayer first
- Commitment for gospel message
- Love for people

- Willingness to risk
- Love of justice
- Team spirit
- Strong work ethic



OUR PROGRAMS

AFTER SCHOOL

The FaithWorks of the Inner City After School program was created to build relationships with caring adults and Shidler community children. Various activities, such as cooking, crafts, art, Bible study and worship are offered each week at the Center. Children in first through fourth grade may attend our children's program. Registration is required, and due to Covid, attendance is limited to 80 students. Afternoon snacks and dinner are served to each child in attendance. On Thursdays, children receive individual tutoring with volunteers from surrounding areas. Our after-school program is staffed with teens, college students, and community mothers.

MOMMY & ME

Mommy and Me is a no cost preschool for community three year olds. With learning gaps due to lack of materials and training, many of our children are not prepared to enter a Pre-K classroom at age four. This program is designed to teach basic skills, such as color and number recognition, beginning sounds, and classroom practices that will give children confidence and success upon entering public school. Parents receive guidance and materials on parenting, educational games, and skills to enhance early childhood development.

TEEN IMPACT

The teen Impact Program is a link to keep middle and high school students engaged in Bible studies and life skills programs, while providing various activities, retreats and camps. This program creates a place for our teens to "hang out," and is vital in forming connections with caring adults during the critical teen years. FaithWorks' programs do not stop at the elementary level. They are continuous, helping community members to move forward at each level of development. Through the Teen Impact program students may take driver's training and receive assistance in getting their driver's license and other necessary credentials. At age fifteen, Teen Impact students may have opportunities for employment at the FaithWorks' Center, Shidler-Wheeler Thrift Store, or summer camps. The Teen Impact Program through a partnership with the Artsup Art Program provides after school art classes for middle school students grades 5-8. This program is held at the FaithWorks' Community Center each afternoon. Professional artists teach classes in a variety of mediums for nine week periods. There is no cost for students enrolled in these classes. Life skills are part of the curriculum at this level, as well.

WORK PROGRAM

Without job training, transportation, or work experience, finding a job is very difficult for teenagers, single mothers, and young men living in the Shidler-Wheeler community. The purpose of the FaithWorks of the Inner City Work Program is to provide skills necessary for obtaining and holding a job. This on-the-job training program assists employees with goal setting, time management, responsibility, and work etiquette. It is the goal of the FaithWorks' Work Program to help individuals move forward. This program will also assist employees with filling out job applications and obtaining credentials necessary for employment. The Shidler-Wheeler Thrift Store is used as a job training site and incorporates practices that will create success for these employees.

BRIDGING THE GAP

Bridging the Gap is a homeownership program created to provide safe, secure, and affordable housing for families living in the Shidler-Wheeler community. This rent- to-own program is available to any family who is engaged in any of the FaithWorks' programs. Families develop a budget, receive home ownership training, set goals, and build equity in a home that will one day become their own. Currently, there are eight families working toward homeownership while living in Bridging the Gap homes. Four additional families have purchased their homes through participation in this program.



2021 REVIEW

12TH STREET CASAS

Home ownership and safe, secure housing has been a concern of the FaithWorks' community for many years. Slum landlords charge inflated prices with inadequate living conditions and difficult to understand contracts. Through the blessing of one of our donors, FaithWorks was able to build seven single family homes. The 12th Street Casa neighborhood was completed in June. and six families and two college students moved into their new homes. The families living in these homes, now, have the opportunity to become homeowners which will provide stability and security for their families for the first time. Many of our families have either lived in an apartment, with other family members, or moved from place to place. Our hope is to duplicate this neighborhood throughout our community with the hope of giving families a stable future. In 2021, we had 3 homeowners pay off their houses!



COVID 19

Throughout the pandemic we kept our Center open with a limited number of children (80) and (20) teens. Temperatures were taken at the door, a snack was served, and children rotated through various stations with their group leaders. Dinner was served each evening and surfaces were cleaned throughout the day, as well as the restrooms. We had very few children come to our Center who were ill. Parents were very conscientious about keeping sick children home. We were grateful to be able to provide consistency and structure for our children and were so happy they had a place to come and be "kids again." Covid caused our staff to become especially creative and brought closer relationships between our leaders and children. We often refer to FaithWorks as "Home," and that proved to be true in 2021.

HOME EVENT

The FaithWorks of the Inner City Home Event had a much different look in 2021. It was a drive through experience featuring our new 12th Street Casa neighborhood. Participants drove by the new homes and were greeted by our staff and families at various points to gather information about various FaithWorks' programs. The evening concluded with music and boxed dinners eaten outdoors on the Thunder basketball court. We received many positive comments about our unusual event, and think we may continue this format in the future. FaithWorks raised \$51,710 at this event.

SUMMER CAMP

FaithWorks' children had the opportunity to attend two summer camps in 2021. Since we missed camp in 2020, we were especially excited to host our junglethemed camp in June. The FaithWorks' camp was held outdoors with water activities and waterslides. Children were divided into age-appropriate groups with a team leader for the week. Each morning the theme for the day was introduced followed by team challenges. Bible lessons were taught each day using characters from the Bible who exemplified "bravery." On the last day, Extreme Animals came with a variety of animals, snakes, and lizards testing our children's bravery. Later in the summer our middle school students had the opportunity to attend Summit Camp in northeastern Oklahoma where they got to experience a real church camp, living in a cabin and attending sessions with students from other communities. Some of our older students were employed there throughout the summer.

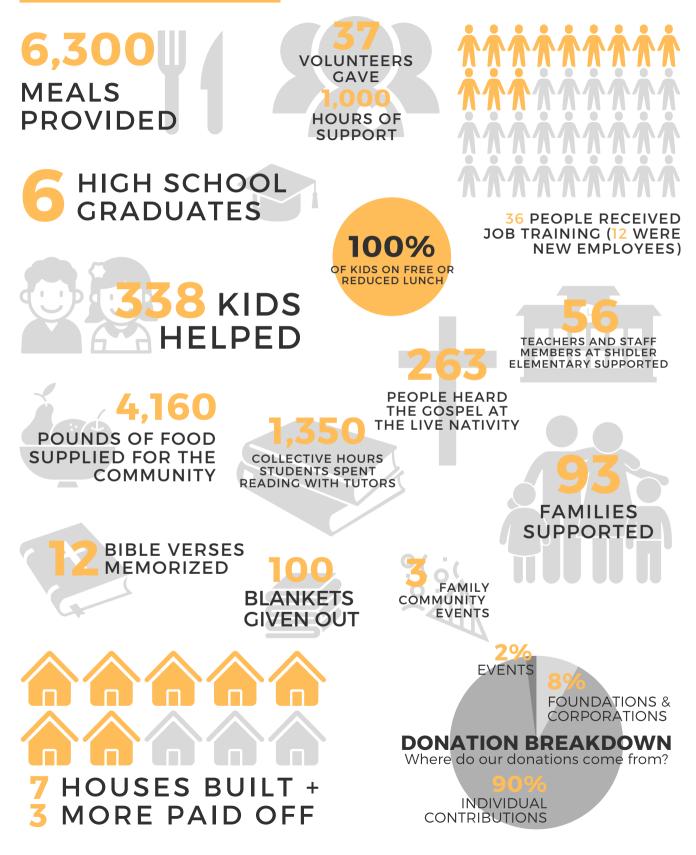


CHRISTMAS

December was met with a whirlwind of activities. We began the month highlighting various parts of the Nativity story. We wanted our children to have a clear understanding of the meaning of Christmas. In early December, FaithWorks hosted an outdoor living Nativity with live animals as an outreach to our community. Two hundred sixty-three guests walked through the various scenes dramatized by our teenagers and group leaders. Many of our neighbors had never heard the complete story of Jesus' birth. Throughout December, various Christmas

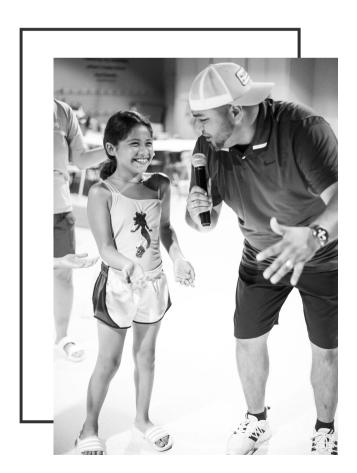
parties were held beginning with our Mommy and Me children. They came to their party in their pajamas to eat breakfast with Santa, sing Christmas songs for mommy, and receive gifts from our partners from United Petroleum and Transport. The children in our after- school program received books of the Nativity story which they read with their tutors followed by a party with games, activities, pizza, and gifts. Each child received a gift they had selected. All students (412) from Shidler Elementary School received a "stocking" bag filled with candy, hygiene products, hats, gloves, and small toys provided by various schools, churches, and corporations. Our staff and teenagers played fun team games at their parties and received gift cards, candy, socks, and blankets. Our FaithWorks' parents and Shidler teachers were also blessed with cozy blankets provided by one of our donors.

FAITHWORKS & SHIDLER WHEELER BY THE NUMBERS



FINANCIAL STATEMENT

REVENUE & SUPPORT	2021	2020
Contribution Income	\$1,626,104.48	\$902,558.25
Special Event Revenue	70,722.50	20,948.50
Reimbursement	26,822.72	43,973.68
Interest Income	1,510.75	6,765.70
Total Revenue & Support	1,725,160.45	974,246.13
EXPENSES		
Program Expenses	\$66,917.13	\$65,301.03
Facility Expenses	226,663.54	194,496.94
Bridging the Gap	94,608.85	151,330.35
Management and General Administration	278,725.16	298,919.77
Benevolence	71,704.82	58,103.61
Fundraising	18,991.42	15,566.32
Total Expenses	757,610.92	783,718.02
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$967,549.53	\$190,528.11



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