



Annual Report 2023

Stepping Into Hope



Message from the President

Dear Friend,

As we navigate the intricate path of our mission at Wheeler Mission, I am inspired to reflect on the theme of "Stepping Into Hope" that has become synonymous with our collective journey.

At Wheeler Mission, our Christ-centered principles guide us, and it is crucial that we embody these values in every action we take. We are not merely an organization serving those experiencing homelessness; we are a community driven by a higher purpose. It is our duty to ensure that our efforts resonate with the love, compassion, and selflessness exemplified by the teachings of Christ.

As we embrace the concept of "Stepping Into Hope," let us remember that it is not just about meeting expectations but exceeding them. It is about reaching out to those in need with unwavering dedication, offering hope, and creating lasting change in their lives. Whether it's through our programs, services, or daily interactions, let us be the embodiment of the positive impact we aim to achieve.

I am immensely proud of the generosity each one of you contributes to Wheeler. Together, we are a force for good, and by stepping into the challenges before us, we strengthen our resolve to make a lasting difference in the lives of the marginalized and underserved.

Thank you for your dedication, your compassion, and your relentless pursuit of our mission. Let us continue to step in, united in purpose, and fulfill the calling that sets Wheeler apart with hope.

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us... run with endurance the race that is set before us."

Hebrews 12:1



Our Mission What We Do

Our mission is to provide Christ-centered programs and services for individuals experiencing homelessness and those in need.

Wheeler Mission helps those experiencing hunger, homelessness, and addiction in Indiana. Wheeler is a non-denominational Christian, social services organization.

We provide critically needed goods and services to individuals in Central and South Central Indiana regardless of race, color, sexual orientation, creed, national origin, or religion.



Our Vision Why We Do It

Our vision is to see every man, woman, and child we serve equipped to be productive citizens who enjoy lasting success in Christ.

They need help. They need healing. Most of all, they need hope for a new start. Through God's love and your support and prayers, people are transformed from hurting to hopeful.

Wheeler addresses the deeper root issues causing homelessness and addiction. Freedom then flows from the inside out.

Major Accomplishments in 2023



HOMELESS SERVICES

- 414,610 meals served
- 258,366 nights of safe shelter provided



RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

- 368 program completions (men and women)
- 305 moved to stable housing
- 368 gained employment and/or consistent income



ADDICTION RECOVERY

- 31 men graduated from Hebron program (for men)
- 7% increase in Hebron program completion rate
- 2 women graduated from Higher Ground program (for women)



SOCIAL ENTERPRISES

- 2,795 hours of work training and therapeutic candle making for women at Restored Creations; RestoredCreations.net
- 5 program graduates granted permanent employment at Wheeler Mission Store + Donation
- \$1,074,092 raised at the Wheeler Mission Store



Major Events in 2023

We hold various engaging events to directly involve the community in raising funds and awareness for Wheeler Mission! This year \$1,259,731 was raised through Special Fundraising Events.





100 Holes for the Homeless

- 38 Participants
- \$88,032

100HolesForTheHomeless.com



Strength in our Streets

- 32 Teams
- 384 Individuals
- \$199,030

StrengthInOurStreets.com



Drumstick Dash

- 15,155 Participants (In-person and virtual)
- \$960,587

DrumstickDash.org



- 207 Participants
- \$22,389

Dash4Shelter.org







Updates & achievements

Our team at Wheeler Mission already serves thousands each year, but so many more need our help. We've decided to do more and serve more. In 2023, Wheeler Mission celebrated 130 years of providing Christ-centered programs and services for individuals experiencing homelessness and those in need.

INDIANAPOLIS



Center for Women & Children upgraded the exterior lighting for the safety and security of our guests. Thanks to the Indiana Fever the women at the CWC opened a new workout facility for its guests to participate in group and individual exercise programs.



Restored Creations located in the CWC tower was moved to the basement which enabled them to triple the space for production and sales. **Shelter for Men** introduced a new entrance and security system that will improve safety for guests and staff.

Men's Residential Center received some upgrades including the floor for a modern look and better cleaning. We replaced the original kitchen serving line with a water system upgrade.



Donation Center renovated the exterior for a fresh look.

BLOOMINGTON

Center for Men - Bloomington continued upgrades and renovations this year by adding more staff offices. And now has the space to offer clinical resources to guests in need through partnerships with local healthcare providers

Hunt Training Center secured a new roof and needed renovations to the dorms.



















I am Wheeler Mission!

Meet Kawana





Kawana and Cori have hope—and they want to thank YOU for supporting their journey toward a new life.

"Wheeler Mission gave us a roof over our heads and helped get our lives back on track."

Watch her story now: WheelerMission.org/kawana-and-cori



Meet Erick



INCOME

JUNANCIALS (FISCAL YEAR RUNS JUNE-MAY)

Wheeler's fiscal year runs from June 1 to May 31, and Wheeler's finances are audited annually by the accounting firm of Blue & Co., LLC. As a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability, Wheeler's financial practices must fall within the strict guidelines of the ECFA. We are also accredited by the Better Business Bureau. Our audited financial statements are available on our website; www.wheelermission.org/about-us/financials/.

INCOME

Contributions

Special Events

Program Services & Other

Wills & Estates

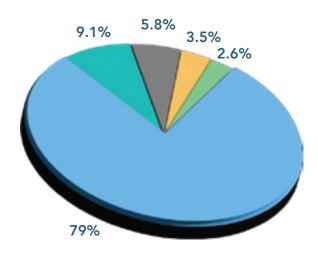
Gift-in-Kind

Note: Income excludes investment gains and losses

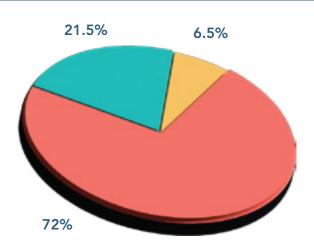
EXPENSES

- Program Expenses
- Fundraising & Development
- Management & General





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