

2022 GRATITUDE REPORT



A Note from Jessica

Dear friend,

2022 was a year full of new and exciting things. As I look back on the year, I am filled with deep gratitude for you – our generous partners, donors, and volunteers. The pages of this gratitude report are filled with stories and information highlighting work that was made possible because of your faithfulness and generosity.

From volunteers showing love to a neighbor in need, to youth groups spending hot summer days renovating homes, to resident-led change in a disinvested neighborhood, I see the same outcome over and over.

Flourishing.

It is our mission at Community One to transform our city and contribute to the flourishing of its people by empowering neighbors to love their neighbors. That's what this gratitude report is all about! Through your support and the support of so many individuals, churches, businesses, and foundations, individuals are able to step into the path of flourishing.

You are transforming the lives of neighbors in our community. Thank you for partnering with us in this worthy cause. I look forward to our continued partnership in 2023.

Deepest gratitude,



Jessica Welcher
Executive Director



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Your Impact at a Glance



56 neighbors are safer in their homes because partners built ramps and replaced roofs and HVAC systems

Met the **300th** Tepe Park neighbor since their neighborhood revitalization initiative began

Cut the ribbon on the **10th whole-house rehab** in 10 years of operation



Nearly **200** volunteers mobilized to provide help, restore homes, and transform communities



69 simple yet tangible acts of love completed by volunteers who helped their neighbors with a project in their home or life

Impact Story

A New Roof Provides Relief for a Single Mother

Your generosity provided critical help to neighbors like Melissa* last year.

Melissa was pregnant and experiencing homelessness when her father helped her purchase a home. This home had some major issues, but it was a better option than her current situation. She completed small repairs as her limited income allowed while caring for her baby. Eventually, her roof started to leak causing significant damage in one of her bedrooms.

Melissa's home no longer felt safe for her and her baby. She feared that their home would become unlivable, and they would become homeless again.

We replaced Melissa's roof thanks to generous partners like you! Melissa shared with us that receiving help with this major repair relieved a lot of stress from her life and made her home safer for her family. She said, **"All in all it will save my home and prevent us from becoming homeless."**

Your support provides life-changing help like this for neighbors throughout Evansville. Thank you for caring about your neighbors and your community.



**Melissa's name has been changed to protect and respect her privacy.*

Impact Story

Transforming Tepe Park from the Inside Out

More neighbors are being the change they want to see in their neighborhood thanks to supporters like you.

A neighbor named Tamika started teaching Zumba classes in Tepe Park because of the beautiful basketball court mural. She later learned that the neighborhood had voiced a desire to see exercise classes, just like hers, come to the park! Tamika was awarded action project funding to sustain her class and continue bringing it to Tepe Park.

Tamika is one of 13 residents who were awarded a total of \$10,000 to implement projects that improve the quality of life for their neighbors in 2022. These neighbors are transforming their neighborhood from the inside out. And many times the story doesn't end with one project!

Tamika continued to make a positive difference in the neighborhood by volunteering at Community One's Love Your Neighbor Day in Tepe Park in October. A group of ladies, including Tamika, served together deep cleaning the neighborhood clubhouse and learning center. This group of 6 volunteers represented 4 different churches and a stakeholder organization. It was a powerful example of connecting and mobilizing people from every corner of the community to serve and love.

Your support is building relationships, creating community, and transforming neighborhoods - thank you!



Impact Story

Going Deep on S Kentucky Avenue

Community One committed to a multi-year impact initiative on the 1200-block of S Kentucky Avenue in 2022.

This initiative brings together all four of Community One's programs on one block to create focused impact. As part of this initiative, we are restoring three dilapidated houses, providing help with repairs for surrounding homeowners, building relationships with neighbors, collaborating to improve rental housing, advocating for capital projects, and much more.

Because of generous supporters, like you, and caring volunteers, tremendous progress was made in 2022! Here are a few highlights that you helped make possible:

- Completed the 1206 S Kentucky Ave whole-house rehab and celebrated the project with a ribbon cutting ceremony
- Replaced 2 roofs and 4 HVAC systems for surrounding homeowners
- Mobilized volunteers to help with simple projects for neighbors like yard work, fixing a door handle, installing an exterior light, replacing a fence, repairing a sink, and more
- Connected partners to complete other major projects like removing trees and limbs, installing gutters, treating for pests, and replacing windows
- Beautified the block by picking up trash, cleaning the alley, and landscaping



1206 S Kentucky Before



1206 S Kentucky During



1206 S Kentucky After



Volunteers restoring the inside of 1206 S Kentucky Avenue



A neighbor receives a new roof



Volunteers clean up a neighbor's yard and landscaping

These projects are important. But what is even more important are the people that are sharing and experiencing love because of the projects...

The elderly neighbor who was moved to tears watching volunteers clean up her yard. The staff person who learned sign language to better communicate with and connect to a deaf neighbor. The volunteers who faithfully show up week in and week out to restore homes and love people. The neighbor who developed so much trust with the Community One team to give us a key to their house for safekeeping. The family with 4 children who had heat for bitterly cold days because of their new furnace.

Transforming communities happens one neighbor at a time. Your support is making that possible on S Kentucky Avenue and throughout Evansville.



Students from a local high school's girls soccer team served on S Kentucky Avenue



Why We Give

Community One has incredible supporters. This is what one couple shared about why they support Community One.

Thank you for your partnership in our shared mission!

“Have you ever had something break in your home and had that sinking feeling of what do I do now? This is where the staff and volunteers of Community One serve as the hands and feet of Jesus. They take time to listen, they strive to meet a variety of needs, and pray to restore hope in others. Why? Because Jesus calls us to do so. John 13:34 “Just as I have loved you, you should love each other.” That is why we support Community One.

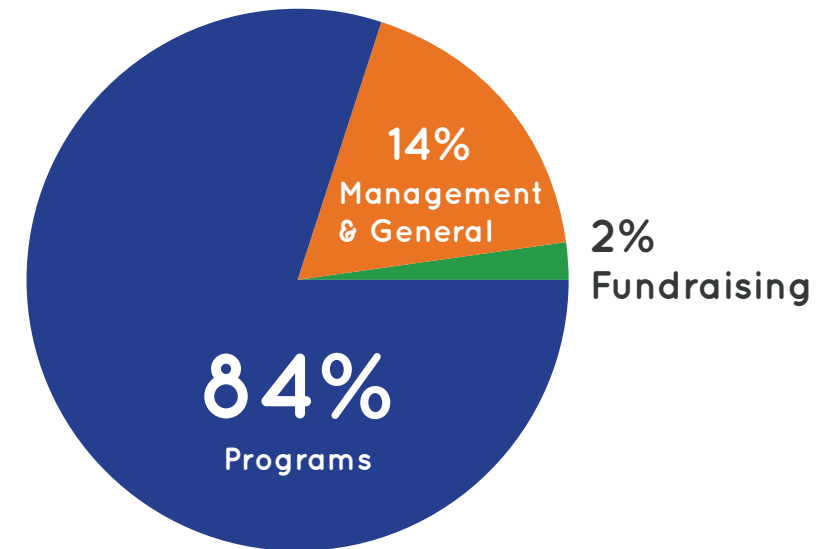


-Doug and Paula Wurmnest”

Financial Report

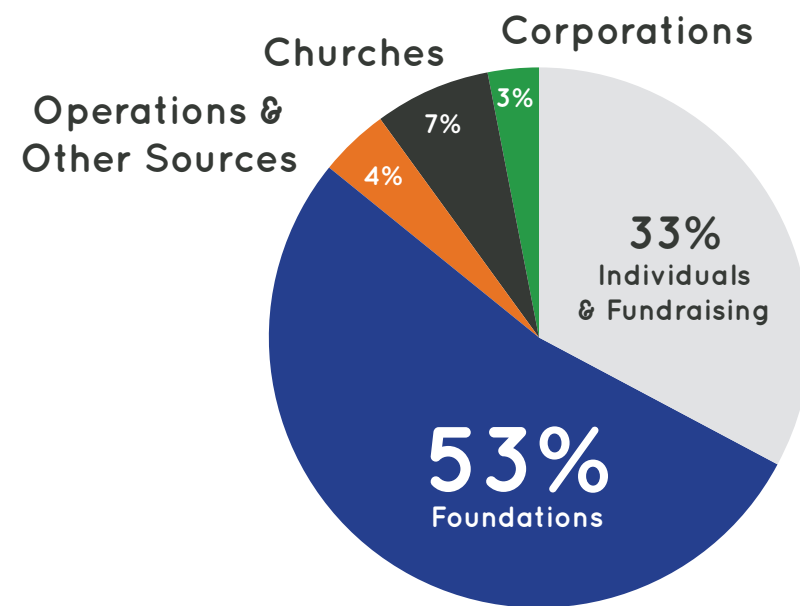
Operating Percentages

While everything we do helps achieve our shared mission, we ensure the majority of your gifts go directly to neighboring, housing restoration, and neighborhood revitalization programs.



Revenue Percentages

We are blessed to partner with individuals, businesses, churches, and foundations. This balanced group of supporters, like you, ensures fiscal stability for current and future years of operation.





Thank you for creating real and lasting change in homes, neighborhoods, and the lives of your neighbors!

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