# HIS HELPING HANDS, INC. ANNUAL REPORT July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

**Mission Statement:** His Helping Hands is a <u>Christ-centered</u>, <u>benevolence ministry</u> set up to assist families and individuals, primarily in the local Wichita area, who are facing insufferable hardships, for the purpose of <u>helping and encouraging</u> those who are in the Body of Christ, and, <u>helping and evangelizing</u> those who are not yet in the Body of Christ. By being the Hands of Christ in Helping others, we show the love of Christ in a practical way, thus ministering both to the clients and the donors by <u>helping people</u>, <u>help people</u>.

## Guiding Principles for the Ministry of His Helping Hands, Inc.

- Helping others in the name of Jesus Christ.
- Evangelism.
- Stewardship.
- Accountability.
- Community Collaboration.

# Ministries of His Helping Hands, Inc.

- Furniture Bank.
- Clothing Room.
- Food Pantry.
- Fresh Hope.
- Love In Action.
- Igniting Hope and Freedom Women's Discipleship Group.
- Heavenly Treasures Gift Shop.
- Oaklawn Thrift Store.
- Prayer, Evangelism and Discipleship for All Families Served.

## Helping Others in the Name of Jesus Christ.

- Household and clothing items.
  - 36,455 families served.
    - 128,913 people served.
    - 106,860 household items distributed.
      - Including 25 automobiles.
    - 556,270 clothing items distributed.
- Food items.
  - 10,024 families served.
  - 34,981 people served.
  - Christmas With Jesus 2023.
    - 288 families served.
    - 808 children received toys from HHH.
    - 8,633 new & used toys distributed.
- Back-To-School 2023-2024.
  - Through our partnership with Convoy of Hope Wichita, HHH distributed 581 backpacks with school supplies.

- Fresh Hope Program help single moms escape the poverty cycle.
  - Starting the  $12^{th}$  year.
  - 1,289 single moms have completed the program.
  - 1,048 are now self-sustaining.
  - Cost per graduate is \$1,748 per mom.
  - Started Diaper Depot in October 2023.
  - Received two grants to help single women with their car repairs and conducted Car Care Clinics for preventative maintenance education.
- Love In Action help churches help people with rent, utilities, etc.
  - 2,890 calls received.
  - 459 intakes.
  - 268 clients helped.
  - \$90,307 given for assistance.

#### <u>Evangelism.</u>

- **<u>380</u>** first-time professions of faith in Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and Lord.
- Follow-up of the new believers is accomplished through letters, emails, telephone calls, text messages and personal visits with the goal of connecting them to a local, Bible-believing church.

# Stewardship.

- Facilities.
  - Renovations continue at the property located at 3421 East 47<sup>th</sup> Street South which was donated to HHH in December 2018. The Oaklawn Clothing `n Stuff Thrift Store moved to this new location in December 2019 which tripled the size of the store.
  - HHH has been leasing the building located at 4858 S. Clifton to a Sedgwick County Sheriff's Deputy for the purpose of conducting self-defense classes. Fusion Martial Arts, LLC, terminated the lease effective 4/1/24.
- Capital Projects in process:
  - The distribution software, CounterPoint is obsolete. We are looking for an upgrade or a replacement.
  - Currently evaluating roof repairs for the Fresh Hope building, the HHH main warehouse, the Oaklawn Thrift Store (3421 E. 47<sup>th</sup> Street S.) and the Oaklawn building at 4858 S. Clifton.
- Enterprise resourcing revenue projects to help support the ministry programs:
  - Bud Palmer Auction \$66,785.
  - Baled clothing \$45,012.
  - Heavenly Treasures Gift Shop \$132,119.
  - Oaklawn Thrift Store \$373,790.
  - Rent of the facility \$23,500.
  - Land rental for the double-sided digital billboard \$80,000.
- Recycling and repurposing efforts:
  - From the non-cash donations made to HHH, 1,270 tons of items were repurposed to needy families or recycled, i.e., 1,270 tons of items were kept out of the local landfills.
  - HHH disposed of 84 tons of trash and non-recyclable items.
- Financial Report: 7/1/23 through 6/30/24 (includes HHH, Fresh Hope, Love In Action, Oaklawn Thrift Store).
  - Ministry Income \$1,735K.
  - Ministry Expenses \$1,451K.
  - Cash (unrestricted) \$1,713K.
  - Cash (restricted) \$779K.
  - Investments \$1,074K.

- Total Assets \$5,916K.
- From the most recent audited statement through 6/30/23, below is a breakdown of expenses, including In-Kind activity:
  - Total Program Services \$3,028K. (90.3%).
  - General & Administrative \$290K. (8.7%).
  - Fund-raising \$35K. (1.0%).

#### Accountability.

- HHH is an accredited member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA).
- HHH undergoes an annual financial audit by an outside accounting firm, Regier Carr & Monroe, LLP, CPAs. The Audit Opinion for the last fiscal period was favorable.

## **Community Collaboration:**

<u>56,057 community volunteer hours.</u>

#### **Businesses.**

- Assistance League of Wichita Thift Store weekly donations of excess clothing items.
- **<u>Costco Wholesale</u>** food donations 5 to 6 times per week.
- **Intrust Bank** volunteer group on 3/6/24.
- **<u>Kingdom Tiny Homes</u>** discussing solutions for transitional housing for Fresh Hope women.
- **Koch Industries** volunteer group on 11/14/23.
- **Panera Bread** donation of bread every Friday night.
- **<u>Resilient Home Living</u>** discussing solutions for transitional housing for Fresh Hope women.
- **<u>Rhea Lana of Greater Wichita</u>** donations of baby and children's clothing items following their consignment sales.
- **Robert J Dole VA Medical Center** referrals of homeless veterans to HHH.
- Slumberland Furniture HHH received 25 new twin-size beds, including mattresses, foundations and metal frames, in conjunction with their annual Home for the Holidays event in December 2023.
- <u>Two Men And A Truck</u> donate trucks and labor to haul items for the HOT clients.
- **<u>Uptown Cheapskate</u>** weekly donations of excess clothing items.
- **Various motels and hotels** periodic donations of beds and furniture.
- Wichita Furniture & Mattress/Ashley Furniture periodic donations of mattresses, box springs and furniture.
- Wichita Police Department Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) helping homeless people obtain housing and a new life. HHH is providing the home furnishings for each person transitioning from homelessness to permanent housing.
- <u>Wichita Regulators Football Team</u> HHH provided 30 beds, 2 mini-refrigerators and 2 dryers for the players. HHH participated in their Faith & Family Night on 5/13/24.

## Churches.

- **Community churches** provide many of our client referrals.
- Central Christian Church monthly financial support; CCC/HHH partnered for the Convoy of Hope distribution in July 2023; toy drive for Christmas providing toys for 279 children; commenced quarterly CCC/HHH staff luncheons in January 2024, .
- Central Community Church Multiple food drives, monthly financial support for the Fresh Hope Program and the provision of 50 turkeys and Thanksgiving dinner fixings for our Fresh Hope moms.

- Convoy of Hope/Bethel Life Center HHH was one of nine sites for the COH drive-through distribution event on 7/29/23. HHH served 179 cars with Welcome Bags, Kids Bags, Groceries and 581 backpacks with school supplies. The prayer counselors prayed with 159 families with 7 individuals accepting Christ as their Savior and Lord. We collected 144 Connect cards.
- **Country Acres Baptist Church** spoke to the Awana Club in February 2024 about the ministry of HHH.
- L'Chaim B'Yeshua members meet at HHH on Wednesdays for Davidic dance practice, on Fridays to celebrate Shabbat and on Saturday afternoons for a Torah Study.
- **LifeChange Church -** monthly financial support for HHH and Love In Action. They also provide volunteers during our ministry times.
- Life Church West provided two grants totaling \$21,000 for Youth and Benevolence partnerships. HHH provided ministry information to the members of Life Church West at all four of their services on 04/28/24.
- **Missionary Baptist Church** HHH provided clothing and shoes for their ministry outreach on 5/18/24.
- New Life Covenant Church monthly financial support for the Love In Action ministry. On Wednesdays, HHH takes the Costco food donations to NLCC and they use it for an outreach in the Delano District and for the Open Streets ICT outreach.
- Newspring Church a major financial donation to HHH and the Fresh Hope Program through their Annual Project Generosity Christmas giving, plus monthly support for the Fresh Hope Program. Benevolence requests from Newspring members are handled through the Love In Action ministry of HHH. 50 Newspring Youth volunteered at HHH on 6/7/24 for their Leading the Way event.
- **Primera Iglesia Baustista Fundamental Church** several members come to HHH on Saturdays to counsel with the Hispanic clients.
- **Riverlawn Christian Church** monthly financial support for HHH and Love In Action.
- The following 20 churches provide monthly support for Love In Action:
  - Cornerstone Bible Church.
  - Country Acres Baptist Church.
  - Eastminster Presbyterian Church.
  - Faith Community Outreach.
  - First Evangelical Free Church.
  - First Presbyterian Church Derby, KS
  - Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.
  - Heartland Community Church.
  - Holy Cross Lutheran Church.
  - LifeChange Church.
  - Metro East Baptist Church.
  - New Life Covenant Church.
  - Northridge Friends Church.
  - Pleasantview Baptist Church.
  - Ridgepoint Church.
  - Riverlawn Christian Church.
  - The Bridge Church.
  - Trinity Christian Center.
  - True Life Church.
  - Wichita Bible Church.

#### Community & Civic Groups.

- **Bel Aire Senior Group** spoke to their group on 7/25/23.
- Christian Business League of Kansas group formed by Bott Radio who has adopted HHH as the local non-profit to support with their monthly financial donations. HHH provides a ministry moment at each of the monthly meetings. HHH Executive Director is currently serving on the CBL Board.
- **NW Lions Club** spoke to their group on 5/2/24.
- **Willowbend Association** HHH partnered to pick up usable items that were remaining from the Willowbend Garage Sales in September 2023.

# **Correctional Facilities.**

- **El Dorado Correctional Facility** clothing exchange.
- Hutchinson Correctional Facility mattress deconstruction partner.

# <u>Fundraisers.</u>

• **SmorgasChorus** – singing men's group provided a benefit concert for HHH on 8/27/23.

#### Ministries.

- **Adult & Teen Challenge** collaboration with Deron Gillespie on Men's Programs.
- **Care Portal** alliance between Kansas Department of Children & Families (DCF) and local churches to help families with foster and adopted children.
- **Family Promise** a coalition of local churches to help homeless families obtain permanent housing.
- **Heaven Sent Ministries** food-packing ministry has placed their storage containers on the HHH property.
- **HHH Volunteer Banquet\_** conducted Volunteer Appreciation Banquet on 5/3/24 with Mayor Lily Wu as the keynote speaker.
- **Live Like Jesus Today** a ministry group from Great Bend, KS that comes to help at HHH once every other month. They are now operating an HHH-type ministry in the Great Bend area.
- **Love Schools** HHH is partnering to help with the needs of schools in our community. HHH is on the Ortiz Elementary School team.
- **Marion Thrift Store** clothing and nick-knack exchange.
- **One Hundred Roses** provided a grant for \$27,500 for Fresh Hope car repairs and the start of a semi-monthly Car Clinic for the Fresh Hope women.
- **Partners for Wichita** evaluate ways to provide some relief for the child hunger situation in Wichita.
- **Passageways** local agency that helps homeless veterans who do not fully qualify for assistance from the VA Medical Center.
- Salvation Army Salvation Army clients receive clothing vouchers to obtain clothing at HHH; HHH clients receive fan vouchers to receive fans during the spring and summer months.
- **Source of Light Kansas** they provide Bible studies for follow-up with HHH clients.
- Union Rescue Mission enterprise resourcing projects and collaboration on a future Men's Program at HHH. During August 2023, they transferred their Diaper Depot to HHH Fresh Hope Program which commenced on 10/5/23.
- **United Way of the Plains** HHH is a member of the Emergency Assistance Network (EAN); they gave a \$41,600 grant to Fresh Hope for the car program.
- Unite Us a coordinated care network of health and social service organizations. HHH is connected through a shared technology platform which enables us to send and receive electronic referrals, address people's social needs and improve health across communities.
- **Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD)** planning for future disaster relief in the Wichita area.

• **Wichita Prayer Movement\_** – HHH has a public Prayer Room to be used in conjunction with the Wichita Prayer Movement initiative.

#### Political Figures.

• Senator Roger Marshall – toured HHH on 4/4/24.

#### <u>Schools.</u>

- **Adventures in Homeschool Education** toured and volunteered at HHH on 2/2/24.
- **Douglass High School** volunteer group on 11/3/23.
- Sunrise Christian Academy SCA students volunteer at HHH at various times of the year, especially during the Christmas Season to help set up the toys on the tables.

# • <u>Fresh Hope has 70+ collaborative partners including churches, ministries and other non-profits.</u>

#### HIS HELPING HANDS, INC. – Current Board of Directors

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