

# 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Rescue, rehabilitate, and restore men experiencing homelessness through faith-centered programs based on accountability and compassion.

## MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Dear Friends & Family of the Allentown Rescue Mission,

Thank you for your continued commitment to the Allentown Rescue Mission. Your generosity helped rescue many hundreds of men off the streets this year and gave them the opportunity to transform their lives through spiritual, life skills, and workforce development classes. Many men went on to receive paying jobs on the Clean Team Workforce and were restored as productive members of the community and to their families.

This year, I would like to honor two dear friends of the Mission. Together, these two men affected the lives of many of our guests. Dr. Neal Kramer, DPM, dedicated nearly a decade of his life providing free foot care to men at the Mission. He treated hundreds of men who may not have received care otherwise. At the end of the year, Dr. Kramer retired. He will be missed not only for the care he provided, but the kindness he displayed to his patients.

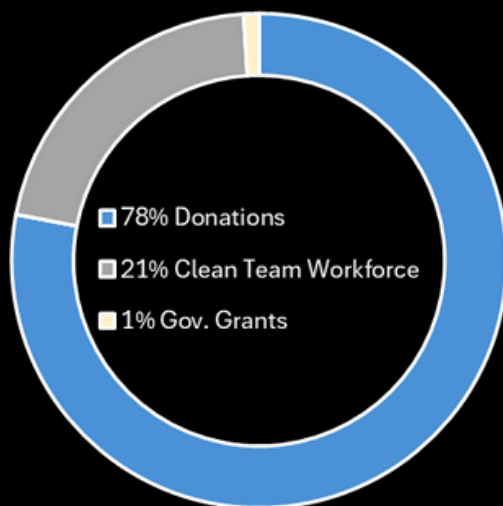
For over 30 years, Mr. Albert Granger believed in the work of the Mission. Aside from yearly donations, he financed the elevator in our 30,000 ft. building, sponsored an education fund for men to become more employable, and most recently, funded an Emergency Shelter expansion for 2025. Sadly, Mr. Granger passed in June. He will be remembered as a friend of the Mission for his life-changing contributions.

2024 will be the last year we receive government grants. Going forward, our work will be 100% funded by private donations, matching gifts by employers, donor grants, and bequests. We graciously ask for your ongoing support. Together, we will continue to change the lives of the men who count on us for assistance.

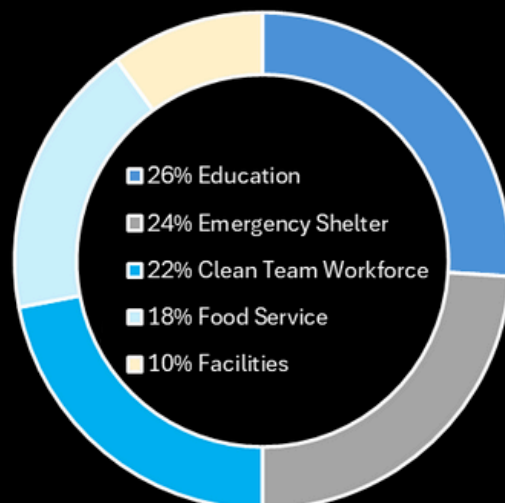
On behalf of every man whose life has been touched by your compassion and generosity, we thank you.

Stuart Smith, CEO

## REVENUE



## PROGRAM EXPENSES



Annual Financial Statements audited by an independent certified public accountant.

## PETER'S STORY

*"I wanted to give up on myself, but the Mission wouldn't let me."*



Peter's life came to an instant halt the day his wife of 16 years passed away. He didn't know how to go on without her. At 71 years old, Peter felt like he had nothing left in life to contribute and tried to take his own life.

After being discharged from the hospital, and with nowhere else to go, Peter came to the Allentown Rescue Mission.

At first Peter was apprehensive, but he formed a brotherhood with other guests. He then talked through his feelings of worthlessness and listened to messages of hope in the Transformation Program. Soon Peter's perspective shifted, and he began to smile, something he never thought would happen again.

Now 4 years after his wife's passing, Peter feels like his life is moving forward again. He recently earned a job in the Mission's kitchen. He and his wife loved to cook together, and to honor her, he had considered culinary training. To his surprise, the Mission's kitchen manager has taken him under his wing and is teaching Peter restaurant skills for when he leaves the shelter.

Peter still misses his wife every day, but he isn't worried about his future anymore. "The Mission has opened up so many doors for me. I'm looking forward to what life has in store for me."

**BECAUSE  
OF  
YOU**

676

Men welcomed into the Emergency Shelter

20,418

Nights of safe shelter provided

64,562

Nutritionally balanced meals served

84

Men entered into the Transformation Program

69

Men employed by the Clean Team Workforce

380

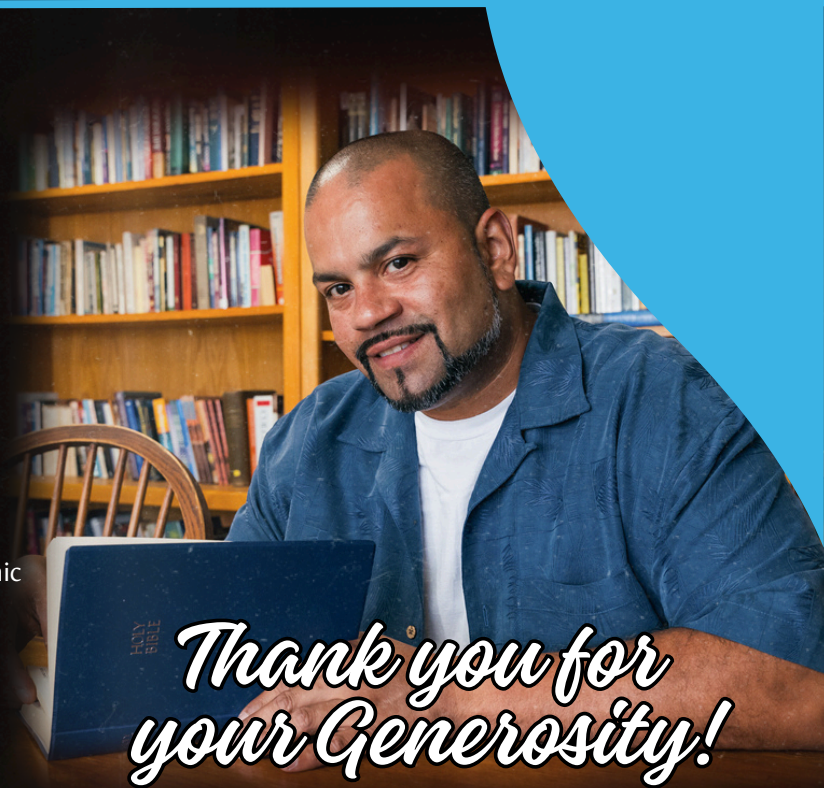
Medical visits conducted on-site by DeSales Free Clinic

3,500

Books processed for local elementary students

15,936

Donors supported our men



*Thank you for  
your Generosity!*

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