

Toward Tomorrow T♥gether

2022 ANNUAL REPORT



Dear Friends of CRS

2022 was a year where we experienced the continued support of so many faithful friends of CRS. Your support of our mission strengthens our sense of purpose as we continue working to diminish the effects of poverty in Avon and Avon Lake.

Since 1988, CRS has been compassionately serving our neighbors in need and last year we assisted hundreds of families who needed food or financial assistance. Addressing food insecurity through our on-site food pantry remains our biggest program, distributing almost 120,000 pounds of food and \$16,300 in grocery gift cards in 2022.

We also provided financial assistance in 2022 totaling over \$261,000 through these efforts:

- Preventing a utility disconnection 237 times
- Preventing eviction or homelessness 125 times
- Helping with a car repair or providing a fuel card 759 times
- Sending 241 students to school with all the supplies that they needed
- Providing 318 children with Christmas gifts, pajamas and coats through Santa's Workshop

The success of our enhanced Client Personal Development Program surpassed our expectations. We were able to help our clients through a variety of opportunities including payment of tuition for continuing education/vocational classes, limited session sports or educational camps, health & wellness opportunities through a partnership with the French Creek YMCA and so much more. In 2022, clients participated in personal development programs 162 times. At CRS we are committed to helping our families in lasting, meaningful ways that go beyond the assistance we provide for basic living expenses.

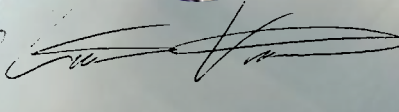
We cannot do this important work alone and we are so grateful for the generous support that we receive from our countless friends and benefactors. In addition to the support of many individuals and corporations who contribute through various fundraising efforts, thank you to these outstanding community partners: The Alyce J. and Ann J. Metka Foundation, The City of Avon, The City of Avon Lake, Community Foundation of Lorain County, Community West Foundation, the Hooks for Hunger Committee, Meijer Inc., The Salvation Army, The Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio and the United Way of Greater Lorain County/United Community Assistance Network (UCAN).

We are grateful for the opportunity to work together with so many caring and dedicated groups and individuals. On behalf of everyone at CRS, we extend a heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you.

Sincerely,



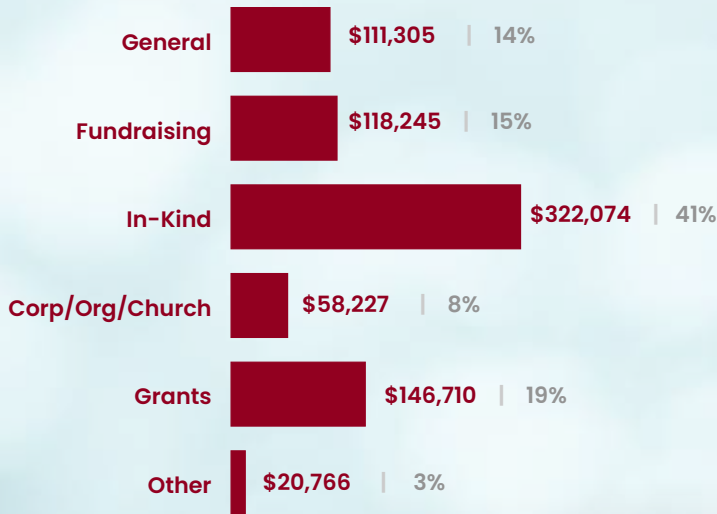
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Pennie Clifford

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Please let us know if your name is missing or listed improperly. We have made every attempt to create and accurate list, and we want to correct any errors. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Making a lasting impression in your community may be easier than you think. CRS is pleased to offer options for planned giving. Let us know if you would like more information.

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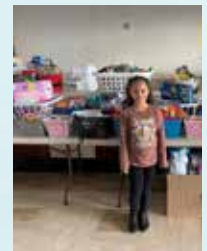
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Monetary donations are critical to our ability to provide emergency assistance to hundreds of families in Avon and Avon Lake. We are grateful for the trust that our donors have placed in us to carry out our important work. **Equally important are the in-kind donations that we receive in support of our food pantry and our seasonal programs.**

Our biggest program is our food pantry which is primarily supported by donations from local businesses, churches, schools, organizations and individuals. **In 2022 we received almost 120,000 pounds of food** donated through food drives and from individual donors. All donations are dropped off in the storage area at the back of the pantry. Our donors have become familiar with the process: drive down the alley, ring the doorbell, and someone (usually one of our pantry volunteers) will open the door to receive the donation. Last year the doorbell rang over 1,000 times!

Did you know that personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies and paper products cannot be purchased through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (aka food stamps)? Because of the support of our donors, we are able to offer these items to our CRS clients. Many of the groups that do regular pantry collections will have

a theme such as a toiletries drive or a cleaning supply drive. This is such a great way to support our pantry so that we can offer a wide variety of items to our clients.

Our seasonal programs such as Santa's Workshop, Back-to-School Backpacks, Easter baskets, Summer Snack Bags, and Mother's Day gifts are all made possible through the generosity of our in-kind donors as well. The value of the items that were donated to Santa's Workshop in 2022 totaled over \$88,000! This meant that 318 children were able to receive coats, pajamas and toys and 134 families received family baskets. It can be very expensive to prepare a child for a new school year, and we are able to relieve some of the stress for our families through our Backpack program. In 2022, CRS distributed 241 backpacks filled with school supplies!

CRS is more than just an organization that helps people pay their bills when they are struggling financially. Our food pantry and seasonal programs exist due to the generous support of our in-kind donors. We wouldn't be able to assist our families without their commitment to make a difference, right here at home.



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Heartfelt thanks for in-kind donations to our food pantry and seasonal programs.

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2022 Statistical Recap

Overall, we assisted residents in Avon and Avon Lake:

7,819x
through various programs.

467 families

1,232 individuals

532 adults

549 children

151 senior citizens



1 full time staff

6 part time staff

More than
200 volunteers

The Assistance in Units of Service:

7,819x

Total amount spent for all financial assistance

\$261,618



FOOD PANTRY

4,436 visits

107,630 pounds of food distributed

\$11,753 in food purchases

\$16,300 in grocery gift cards distributed



RENTAL ASSISTANCE

125x

\$59,849



UTILITY ASSISTANCE

237x

\$50,973



GAS & AUTOMOTIVE

759x

\$52,848



MEDICAL & PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE

14x

\$2,344



SPECIAL SEASONAL PROGRAMS

1,077x

\$11,061

318 children were given Christmas gifts, pajamas and coats through Santa's Workshop



CLOTHING & FURNITURE:

45x

\$2,484



SCHOOL SUPPLIES & FEES

699x

\$20,308

241 kids received backpacks, school supplies and clothing gift certificates through our Back-to-School Readiness program.

CLIENT PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

162x

\$24,791

MISCELLANEOUS/REFERRALS

265x

\$1,785

Per CRS Service Guidelines for Financial Assistance, most services are available on a limited basis, including automotive, medical, utility, rent, and grocery cards. Clients may receive pantry assistance as needed. Seasonal gifts and school supplies are primarily donor-driven and available based on supply.



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world who **lightens** the
burdens of another”

Charles Dickens