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We want to give thanks for the lives mentioned above and for those who added to their legacy by giving in their name. Thank you.



Center of Hope Annual Report

Sowing Seeds of God's Love...Physically and Spiritually

April 2018

Grateful for Partners - By Brett Rockvam - Executive Director

The heart of Center of Hope has always been to meet people where they are and engage in their life story. We as an agency know that Jesus is the answer to a more fulfilling life. This new life is hard for our guests to envision.

pray that the Center of Hope contributes effectively in all community effort. The Center of Hope strives to share with our guests prayer and hope through Christ, coats to stay warm, reasonably priced bike transportation, and assistance

welcomed us with open arms. Our nurses interact to share techniques on how to help the homeless. They have allowed us to have a transitional Bible study on Thursday. We recommend one another's services to better assist our



The Center of Hope is an agency that is grounded in Christ, but it takes a community to come alongside those who are struggling with addiction, loneliness, medical issues, debt, single parent homes, and lost hope. The agencies listed below share in the great work of painting a story for our guests of a better life. Donors who help support our work, help us to be present in their lives. We as an agency recognize that people who make a positive move toward a healthy life are helped by a community effort. I would

in staying healthy. Yet, we know we can't meet all their physical needs. We share that task with many other agencies.

We appreciate our partner agencies and all that they do to move people to healthier lifestyles, their efforts are welcomed. With that said, I want to thank some partners that we have worked closely with for the betterment of our guests.

• **The Bishop Dudley Hospitality House** has

mutual guest's needs.

• **The Community Outreach** has been a great partner over the years. They are an easy place to refer people who need financial assistance. We also work together with the Sharing Christmas program.

• **Destiny Outreach Clinic** works well with our Faith Community Nursing. It is great having a free clinic in the building to which we can refer people.

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Our Partner the St. Francis House—Adam Hofer

For the past two years, Center of Hope has been partnering with the St. Francis House by repairing bikes for the work release residents of the St. Francis House. As a former employee of the St. Francis House, I know the hectic schedules that many of the work release residents go through on a daily basis. Many of them work sixty hours a week and have two jobs, which leaves no time for bike repairs. A fully functional bike is vital because their bike is the only transportation they have to get to work year round.



Brad Lowe (Outreach Director at the St. Francis House) and **Adam Hofer**

Last summer, receiving five to six bikes from the St. Francis House a week for repairs was common. As a ministry that aims for self-sufficiency, Center of Hope views helping these residents as an honor and privilege. May this partnership continue so that their residents can get back on their feet again and thrive.



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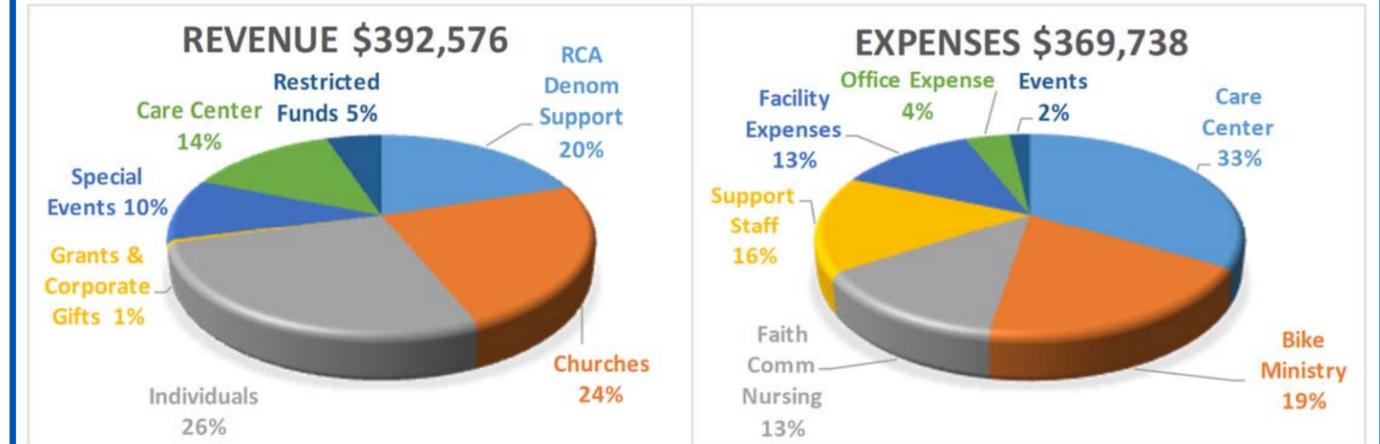
It is a two way street and that is the way it should work.

- **First Christian Reformed Church and King of Glory** partner with us to provide rides to the Food Pantry. This has developed into a great way to help our guests and engage volunteers. The weekly rides have done nothing but strengthen our relationship with our guests.
- **Furniture Mission** is a referral agency through which we have been blessed with meeting new people who might not have known about us. Anytime we can have a program that brings more people into our circle of influence gives us a relational opportunity that is a great thing.
- **Kingdom Boundaries** is a structured living situation/accountability program for people coming out of prison that serves many of the same people we do. Good things happen as we work together to help these men readjust to life on the outside.
- **New Haven Ministries** is a great partner. They provide Biblical counseling in the same building. Some guests need more consistent engagement than we can offer. Knowing we can recommend quality counseling within our building is not only convenient, but a great comfort because we know our guests will be cared for.
- **211 Helpline** introduced the *Sioux Empire Network of Care* database. The Center of Hope is now able to network with more agencies about the care we give to our guests. Since we started with the database a year ago, we are able to interact through the software with St. Francis House, 211 Helpline Center, Feeding South Dakota, and The Community Outreach. Since the start of the database, the Salvation Army and Dress for Success have come on board. Eventually we hope that a majority of the agencies in Sioux Falls will be a part of this network, allowing us to be more efficient and effective in caring for those in need.

Through the year 2017 we have noticed some movement into healthier lifestyles by people who have been struggling on the street for the last 4 years from addiction or some other crutch. What caused this movement? I believe it is prayer, which we do every day before we open, our engagement with our guests, and the community of other agencies sharing the idea of healthy choices into people's lives. So the Center of Hope would like to thank all those partner agencies listed and those too numerous to mention.

Financial Picture

Annual Report



Program Impact

Care Center

Clothing Items Distributed—17,739

Pastoral Interactions—323

Bike Ministry

Bikes-For-Work Distributed—548

Guests In The Bike Shop—800

Faith Community Nursing

Blood Pressure Screenings—974

Eye Screenings—84

Children's Dental Kits Given—802

Mother/Baby Baskets provided—82

Nursing Visits—420

Adult Hygiene Kits Given—1,220

Student Nurses Served—182 for 736 hours

Volunteers

Volunteers Hours—4470

Individual Volunteers—82

Our Guests—who do we serve

43% White 39% Native American 12% African American 6% Other Nationalities

Needs & Wish List

- Bike Ministry Truck— \$15,000
- Replace Computers—\$5,000
- Tommy Lift for Bike Ministry Truck—\$2,000
- Sponsor a Month of Sports Night—\$400
- Provide an Hour of Nursing Care—\$100
- Sponsor a Bike for Work—\$60

Thank You

...to the 454 individuals, 113 churches & church groups, 34 Businesses and 5 foundations who partnered with us to share hope and peace in Jesus, physically and spiritually with those in difficult life circumstances.