



Heaven on Earth NOW

2023 COMMUNITY IMPACT



184,480



Servings of healthy food distributed to clients & via partners in impoverished neighborhoods & food deserts.

96.3%



Of our clients retained their housing & independence for 12 months*—even after housing assistance expired.
*Rolling program, not strictly by calendar year

100%



Of our donations went directly to programs, NOT to overhead!
Your dollars truly transform the lives of others.

How do we make this impact? Vibrant collaborations & partnerships as well as dedicated volunteers.

Our Mission



Combating hunger with healthy food via Good for You Groceries & Farm to Belly initiatives



Providing household essentials, a year of life skills education & casework to people emerging from homelessness and crises in our Begin Again program

Who We Serve

We serve individuals and families. Client demographics in 2023 were:

- 82.2% Black**
- 11.7% White**
- 2.3% Biracial**
- 2.3% Hispanic**
- 1.5% American Indian**

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Antwaunya's Story

"This is the difference a year of your support has made: I now have two jobs. I have two months of rent in savings. My home is my safe place. I literally get butterflies when I see my front door."

Here at home with the plants Antwaunya calls "her babies," she is a graduate of the Begin Again Life Skills PLUS program.

Begin Again serves clients like Antwaunya who are emerging from homelessness, first with household essentials (including beds) then a year of life skills education and casework. Here, she tells her story.

"When I moved into my apartment last year, I did not have a job, I had just had surgery. I didn't possess anything. I was coming from a shelter, bunks full of people who passed gas, threw up, and stole my stuff.

Throughout Life Skills PLUS, I felt as though I wanted to keep up with you—with all the healthy lessons you were teaching. I was always responsible but there are certain things that an adult needs to do, taking care of yourself, taking care of your home, saving money, all of that. It made me more proficient in my household.

A few months ago I started getting worried about the program coming to an end. But about that same time, I began looking around, seeking 'the good' in my life. I can always find the good now, especially compared to my time in crisis."

\$ 254,400



Savings our nonprofit realized (based on federal hourly rate) from volunteer hours donated annually by our Executive Team alone, NOT including weekly volunteers.

996



Life Skills learning kits assembled & mailed to clients, increasing access & teaching 5 tenets: jobs/budgeting, safety, health & wellness, cooking & cleaning.

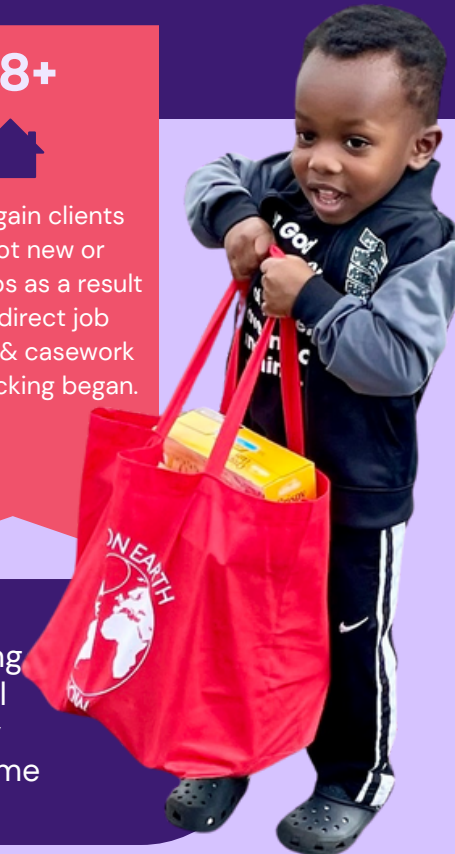
28+



Begin Again clients who got new or better jobs as a result of our direct job referrals & casework since tracking began.

Coming in 2024!

The release of two years of research & data highlighting the zip codes where our clients have lived. It will reveal barriers to accessing quality public education, healthy food, transportation & job opportunities, as well as crime rates, race/ethnicity and income levels.





From Our Executive Director

“We call our volunteers & partners ‘angels.’ That is what they are to people in need—as well as to a broken system that needs us to be tireless and innovative problem solvers. Our impact is the result of their work, of angels that are right here among us.” ~ Molly Cottrill

114



New mattress sets provided to prevent clients from sleeping on the floor. Beds restore dignity & keep families together as children without them can be removed from homes.

1,600+



1 to 1 client calls & touchpoints that included budget coaching, problem-solving, advocacy for landlord/tenant issues, & connection to legal, employment, medical services, etc.

465



Adults & children protected in their homes by fire extinguishers & first aid kits we provided with ongoing instruction to prevent emergencies, illness & injury in our monthly teaching tools.

“Each month Heaven on Earth NOW provides bags of healthy food & access to fresh produce for my church to distribute. It is a reminder to the destitute that someone still cares about them. We may give them healthy food but we also give them hope.

Without hope,
there is no survival.”

Rev. Robert Donald,
Pastor,
New Beginnings
Christ Community
Church

Every month of the year, Pastor “Dee” & his church distribute bags of our Good for You groceries as well as fresh produce, feminine products, diapers & wipes.

Our Partners



The Harry and Jeanette
Weinberg Foundation





In the Words of Our Volunteers
at the end of their experience serving with us

- “Work here as a volunteer = Pride!”
- “Inspiring and impactful!”
- “Amazing. Wonderful. Truly LIFE CHANGING.”
- “Spectacular Day; my mind is blown away!”
- “Insightful and fulfilling.”
- “Grateful. Genuine. Loving. FUN.”
- “Thanks for being our community partner & providing enriching opportunities for us every single time.”
- “Mesmerizing. I want to work here!”
- “Today brought me so much joy!”
- “Organized at the highest & most personalized level!”
- “Full heart and grateful.”
- “Passionate staff and so genuine.”
- “We so enjoyed this day!”
- “Awesome mission and action; I’m in complete awe!”
- “Fun day with lots accomplished to help others.”



We have the power to love people back to life.



**Charles McGee,
Heaven on Earth NOW
Board Member &
9-Year Volunteer**

“I’ve worked with Heaven on Earth NOW since 2015 when we started assembling Good for You Groceries to give to people in poor communities. Now we serve so many more and we educate along with the offering. But as the nonprofit has grown, it’s kept its original values. There is no waste. The donations go only to address the need. Molly and the leaders continue to care so deeply about the people we serve.”

In the Lakeland area of Baltimore, Charles McGee & parishioners from Freedom Temple AME Zion Baptist Church host regular distributions of Good for You Groceries, fresh produce, diapers & wipes.