

changes the lives

of children and families experiencing trauma and crisis by offering healing and love through evidencebased programs that lead to



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Dear Supporters,

The unique mission of Christian City, as a refuge for children and families in crisis and as a vibrant community of senior adults, continues to bring daily miracles to those we serve

Nearly 60 years ago, a group of churches founded Christian City to provide a home for children. Today, we have more than one thousand residents living on our 500-acre campus just south of Atlanta. Our Children's Village is near or at capacity routinely, our life-lease homes and subsidized apartments have waiting lists, and in 2022 we began two new residential programs for young adults while also inaugurating a program for families in

With the global pandemic behind us, we look to a bright future of providing healing and love to those we serve, always remembering our promise to offer "life changing hope through faith, community and care."

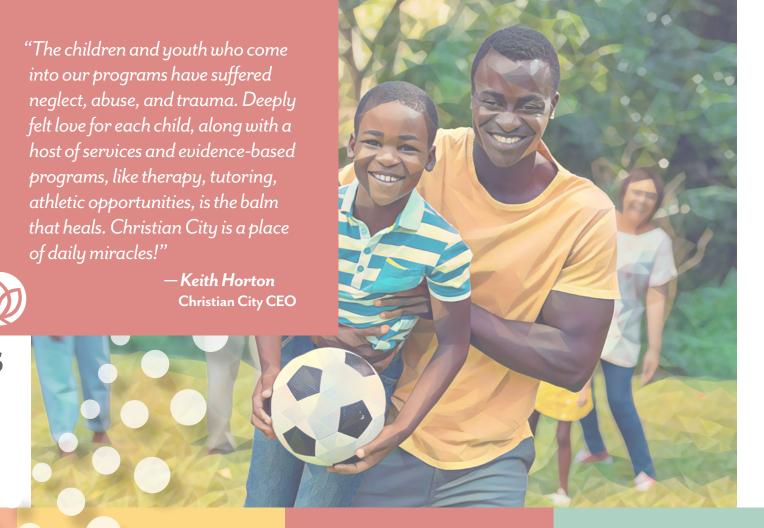
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Our programs

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Everyone needs a helping hand sometimes.

Christian City's programs are here to help our neighbors in crisis so that they can get on with the life God wants for them: a life of growth, joy, and love.

CHILDREN'S VILLAGE has provided safety, stability, and love to vulnerable children for nearly 60 years through its residential group homes where children can heal and grow.

CROSSROADS Foster Care & Adoption Program places teens, large sibling groups, and kids with special needs, while providing specialized training and support for the parents who will love and care for them.

THRIVE Graduate Transition Program provides housing, supportive services, life-skills education, and appropriate supervision for youth 18-24 who are aging out of the foster care system or who are homeless and have no one to help them navigate adulthood.

SAFE PLACE responds quickly 24/7 to calls for help from runaway and homeless youth across Atlanta, getting them to a safe place to heal and move forward.

HEALTHY FAMILIES provides a variety of support for working families facing a crisis. From housing to food to therapy, we help strengthen and stabilize families preventing homelessness and/or the need for state intervention.

TWO SPARROWS VILLAGE in partnership with Christian City, provides a supportive living environment on campus for adults with intellectual disabilities and autism, allowing residents greater independence and quality of life.

AFFORDABLE ACTIVE SENIOR LIVING Offers an active, caring community of seniors including life-lease patio homes and subsidized apartments.

HIGHLY-RATED HEALTH CARE FACILITY

PruittHealth operates the assisted living center and the skilled nursing center on the Christian City campus.





Tykeria came to us through our Safe Place program. She'd been withdrawn from high school because she just wasn't going and she had not seen or spoken to her mother in over four months.

Our Safe Place coordinators teamed up with the school social worker, and with Tykeria's mother, and together they were able to get Tykeria back on track and in school, where she earned her diploma!

"If it wasn't for you guys," Tykeria told us.
"I wouldn't have graduated. Thank y'all so much."

A second chance and loving support made all the difference in Tykeria's life.





The need is great.

Expanding service
Strengthening collaboration

WCHRISTIAN CITY

Across Georgia, families are struggling to stay together. Ten thousand children languish in the foster care system. The downturn in Three programs were inaugerated at Christian the economy and rising rents conspire City in 2022 in hopes of pushing back on these throw many hard-working families into crisis. Aging parents of neuro-diver escalating needs in the community. children struggle to imagine what the adult children will do without their People are suffering and many are And young adults, many agin the Thrive cottages where they will without hope. Healthy Families, Thrive, learn, work, and prepare for adulthood out of foster care, with no and the cottage for Two Sparrows family to guide and support in a supervised residential program Village all represent hope for the future. them, look to the future for young adults. The cottages for young men will open in 2023. Health with uncertainty. Four neuro-diverse young adults are Families served more than 100 famil earning to live independently at Christian and children in just a few months of City through our collaboration with operation, helping them weather o Sparrows Village. Not far from that and move to stability by a cottage, young women have moved int available resources.



Christian City specializes in changing

LIFE CHANGING NUMBERS

lives. One child at a time "At Christian City, I found family that is supportive of me as well as my dreams, and though we're not actually brothers and sisters, we have that kind of bond. You don't just forget it: you are family."



The Alexanders are hard-working parents devoted to their kids.

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When we met them - mom, dad, and three young children - the family was living in a rental car. Both parents were gainfully employed, but they had been evicted from their home after the landlord raised the rent and they couldn't cover it

They squished into the family car with all their belongings hoping to quickly find a new home. The car also served as the father's "work place" for his job making deliveries. Before they could find that new home there was a bad car accident. The family had no other option but to rent a car—the father's job required it.

Alexander family

"Relentless love brings hope and healing to all that we do at Christian City."

— **Samantha Bolling**Executive Director of

Executive Director of Children & Family Programs



WCHRISTIAN CITY



Five-year-old Sam arrived at Christian City in diapers, behind in most markers of child development. With the energy and daring of a host of young children combined, he rarely stopped moving. Our remarkable houseparents showered Sam with love and structure. One of eight children in their care, they guided Sam, understanding the trauma he'd suffered and what it would take to help him heal. The other boys in the

home, all wrestling with their own trauma, took pride in setting

Sam's short life had been marked by unimaginable neglect at the hands of his parents. His father left out the loaded gun that Sam was playing with when he shot himself. Abuse, neglect,

trauma. It is no surprise he was unruly and easily frustrated,

given to outbursts of anger.

an example for their "little brother." It wasn't long before Sam shed the diapers. The boys taught him to ride a bike. In the school carpool line reports of improvement in Sam's behavior moved his housemother to tears of joy.

Sam swelled with pride as he learned to receive and give love to his Christian City family.

The juvenile court judge, who feared Sam had been permanently damaged by his parents, was stunned by his transformation. Cousins,

living in another state, adopted him. The year Sam spent in the Children's Village was life changing – for Sam and for us.

Sam's story

Sam came to the Children's Village after ► shooting himself with his father's gun. Love, stability, and care in a family-style home in our Children's Village gave him a second chance.





Purpose.
Possibility.
Love.

The Christian City Difference

> "For nothing is impossible with God."

-Luke 1:37

IT WOULD BE EASY TO THINK OF OUR WORK AS BEING ABOUT PROVIDING "BASIC NEEDS."

The kids who come to live at Christian City arrive from broken families where abuse, neglect and trauma rule their daily lives. They need relief and protection. So, yes, we provide safety, a warm bed, good food and houseparents to care for and love

What makes Christian City so unique is its concern for the whole child. We believe each child is unique. made by God for a special purpose. We don't just send the kids to the nearest school; we look for and provide educational opportunities. Some of our kids are behind, so we help them catch up. We enroll the kids in extracurricular activities that mirror their interests and talents. We send them to camp and take trips to the museum. We help them to see a world with beauty and opportunity.

IN OUR EXPERIENCE, WHEN YOU SHOW KIDS THE PURPOSE. THE POSSIBILITIES. THE LOVE IN LIFE. THEY BLOOM IN EVERY WAY.

Take the boys in cottage seven: a passing invitation to help at our thrift store, Graceland, turned the boys into avid volunteers around campus. "From helping shoppers load their cars, to emptying trash cans, to helping with food provided for hungry shoppers, the boys of cottage seven worked with smiles on their faces," Houseparent Cliff remembered.

BEING ASKED - INVITED - TO HELP IS KEY.

It signaled to the boys that they belong. It said to them loud and clear: this is your home. And it implied a responsibility: if it is home, you need to pitch in and help. All of this and the fun of working together with the other boys, volunteers, and staff, are key life lessons in purpose, possibility and love. This is good for growing souls.



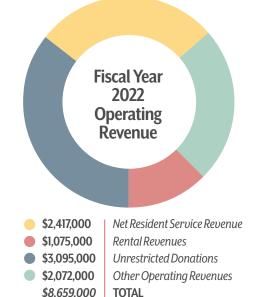


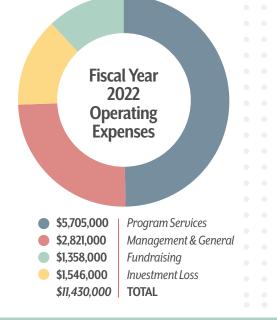
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"The theologian Henry Nouwen said, 'Gratitude flows from the recognition that who we are and what we have are gifts to be received and shared.' At Christian City, being good stewards of all that has been given to us is not only a responsibility, but also a loving response to those we serve."

- Keith Horton CEO, Christian City









Financial Highlights

Market City sold its HUD subsidized apartment buildings, allowing partner organization National Church Residences (with the aid of tax credits) to invest \$37k per unit in renovations and provide an updated homes for our residents.

n Proceeds from the HUD sale allowed Christian City to acquire an important piece of property and establish an endowment fund.

Unrestricted revenue & support: \$8,659,000

Total expenses: \$11,430,000

Deficit of unrestricted revenue & support over expenses:

Net assets released from restrictions:

\$938,000

Operating loss: \$1,833,000







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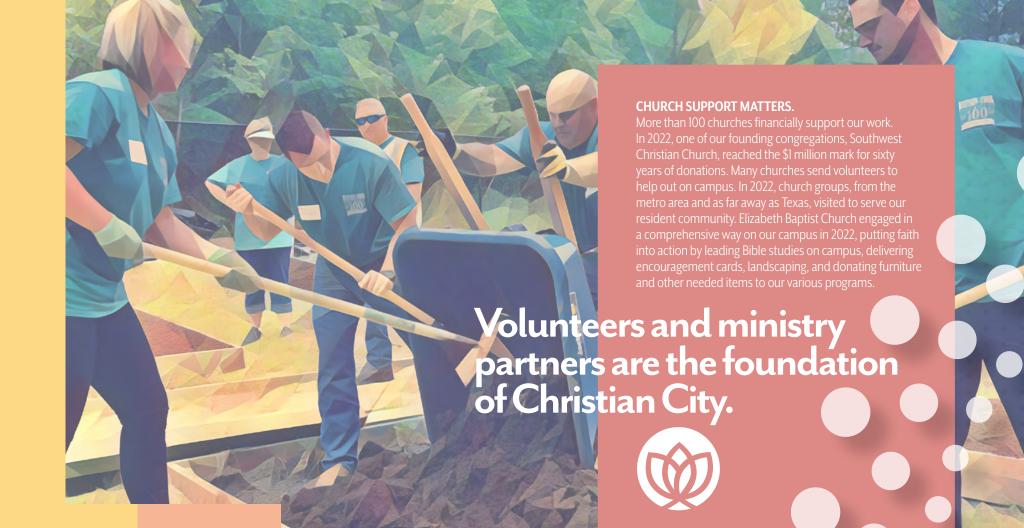
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VISION

Christian City envisions a world where even the most vulnerable among us have a safe home and loving community enabling them to thrive.

PROMISE

Life-changing Hope Through Faith, Community and Care











