

Isaiah 58
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2024 Annual Report



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Executive Director's Report



As we look back on 2024, it is clear that Isaiah 58 Ministries continues to grow—not only in size but in impact. This year was full of meaningful steps forward as we listened deeply to the needs of our community and responded with creativity, care, and compassion.

One of our most exciting developments was the launch of our Lunch and Learn series, which has quickly become a beloved tradition. Each month, we welcomed guests for a hot meal and engaging, expert-led presentations on practical topics—renter's rights, guardianship, home repair, health care, and even gardening. The response has been overwhelmingly positive, with participants engaged, informed, and eager to return. We have come to realize that these gatherings are about more than information—they're about building relationships and sharing life together.

We were also thrilled to finally begin our shower ministry—a long-held dream. What started as a twice-a-month offering has now grown into a weekly ministry of compassion and care. Each Wednesday, we welcome our unhoused neighbors for a warm shower, clean clothes, and essential hygiene items. The impact of this simple act of hospitality cannot be overstated. It is a vital step in restoring dignity and health to our unhoused guests.

Throughout the year, I had the joy of visiting many of our supporting congregations, sharing the story of Isaiah 58 Ministries through preaching and mission moments, offering words of hope and promise. These visits remind me that Isaiah 58 Ministries is not just housed in a building—it is rooted in a shared calling that connects us all. We are indeed a part of a broader movement for justice and compassion.

But growth brings challenges. We are increasingly aware that our current space can no longer contain the fullness of our ministry. Guests are traveling from well beyond our immediate neighborhood, and our building, while filled with love and history, is no longer adequate for the scope of our vision. Our physical space is stretched to its limits. This realization has propelled us into bold conversations about what comes next.

This has inspired us to dream boldly. We are actively planning for a new location—a place where we can grow, collaborate, and serve with even greater effectiveness—a building that is spacious, accessible and ready to serve. Our new space will be more than just bricks and mortar; it will be the center of community—a hub of hope, hospitality, and possibility.

It's a daunting task, but one filled with possibility and promise.

We invite you to dream with us.

With hope,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Brenda".

Brenda Booth
Executive Director

Program Director's Report

Staying rooted in values of community, dignity and choice, in 2024 we demonstrated that we can respond to increased pressure with grace.

Our number of guest visits continued to rise, putting extra demands on our food and clothing sources. We consistently make adjustments to make sure that there is enough for everyone, while providing diversity and quantity that allows our guests to choose what works for them.

The waiting area is often full, yet we try to provide seats for everyone and still greet guests by name.

Increasing numbers means guests are having to wait longer before they can shop, but spirits are high and we all give each other grace as we do our best to serve everyone who needs us.

This speaks to our resiliency, and the deep respect that we hold for the people we serve. It is a testament to our commitment to our community that we don't just make it work, but we make it work well.

Our food ministries are thriving, providing a variety of options and responding to the needs of our guests. The clothing room is a favorite of many, with deep care for quality and choice while ensuring that clothes are given a second chance. The shower ministry has deepened our commitment to our unhoused guests, and has given us space to build up those relationships. Our events such as Juneteenth, Back to School, Thanksgiving and Christmas mark special occasions with celebration and community.

All of this is possible because of the dedication and love of our many communities of care - guests, volunteers, board, donors, neighbors - all working together in consideration of our shared lives. It is beautiful work to be a part of.



Ministry Associate's Report



I joined Isaiah 58 Ministries in August of 2024, and since then, my role has grown and evolved to meet the needs of the ministry. I started out primarily restocking our choice pantry and assisting with a variety of day-to-day tasks. Over time, I took on more responsibility by supporting our volunteer drivers during food pickups from local grocery stores. Now, I ride along every Monday and Friday to help ensure smooth donation pickups and assist some of our older volunteers with lifting and logistics.

My involvement also expanded into the clothing area after we received a *massive* donation from a church's annual rummage sale. While sorting through the items, I realized that a lot of clothing was being discarded—not because it was unusable, but because it was slightly out of season or had minor flaws, like small stains or tiny holes. At the time, we were sending much of that clothing to a recycling facility called Remains.

Since then, I've helped shift our approach. Instead of automatically sending these items away, we now give them a second life—especially on Wednesdays for our shower ministry and on Fresh Food Fridays. This has been a big hit, particularly on Fridays, when many guests who don't usually get access to the clothing room are able to pick up what they need. We also made the decision in the fall of 2024 to open the clothing room on Mondays, which has been another great addition.

Overall, my time at Isaiah 58 Ministries has been full of growth and meaningful change. I'm proud to have played a part in making sure our donations are used in the most thoughtful and efficient ways—always with the goal of better serving our guests.

The Heart of Our Ministry

2024 Regular Volunteers

Lynn A	Randy H	Kitty Q
Gail A	Chris H	Betsy R
Mary A	Julie H	Kay R
Penny A	Stephanie H	Betty R
Sharon A	Darrell H	Larry S
Dennis B	Cathy H	Patty S
Jill B	Joan J	Yvette S
Bill B	Dennis J	Deanna S
Julie B	Joe K	John S
Jerre B	Marshall K	Joyce S
Joyce B	Suzy K	Jean S
Jan B	Jacob K	Christina S
Carol C	Shari K	Kathy S
Matthew C	Glenn K	Kathy S
Charlie C	Prudence K	Darryl S
Peg C	Debbie L	Wendy S
Bruce C	Linda L	LaNita V
Mike D	Peggy M	Kathy W
Bryan D	Pat M	Bob W
Joyce E	Vonnie M	Gail W
Joe F	Steven M	Kim W
Jim G	Susan M	Cathy W
Tom G	Kendra N	Marilyn W
Tracy G	Celia P	Bernie W
Mary H	Lisa P	Nan W
Gene H		Deb Y



2024 Mission Groups

St. Margaret of Scotland School
 St. Margaret of Scotland Parish
 Hope UCC
 St. John's Evangelical UCC
 St. Thomas Holy Spirit
 First Congregational UCC
 St. Francis Xavier College Church Social Justice Camp
 Webster Groves Presbyterian Church
 AMEN St Louis - Oak Hill Presbyterian Church
 Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri
 St. Louis Boy Scouts

Ministry by the Numbers

Food Pantry Visits

We average 34 visits each day to our food pantry. Canned goods, fresh produce, meat selections etc. are available to guests. We also average 63 visits to our Fresh Food Distribution on Fridays.



Clothing Room Visits



We average around 238 visits to the clothing room each month where guests are invited to choose from a variety of gently used clothing.

Holiday Food Shopping

450 Households shopped our holiday food distributions to select food for their holiday gatherings.



Holiday Store Shoppers

166 Households shopped for holiday gifts for their family at our holiday store.

Total People Served

32,904 Individuals received assistance through Isaiah 58 Ministries during the year.



Total Visits of All Services

During the year, 13,707 people visited our ministry seeking services.



Unique Households Served

2,821 Households were served during 2024 through our various services.



Unique Individuals Served

6,140 Individuals were assisted through the various services provided by our ministry.

Regular Weekly/Biweekly Volunteers

76 Volunteers serve at the ministry on a regular basis to ensure guests are cared for with love and compassion.



Special Event (one-time) Volunteers

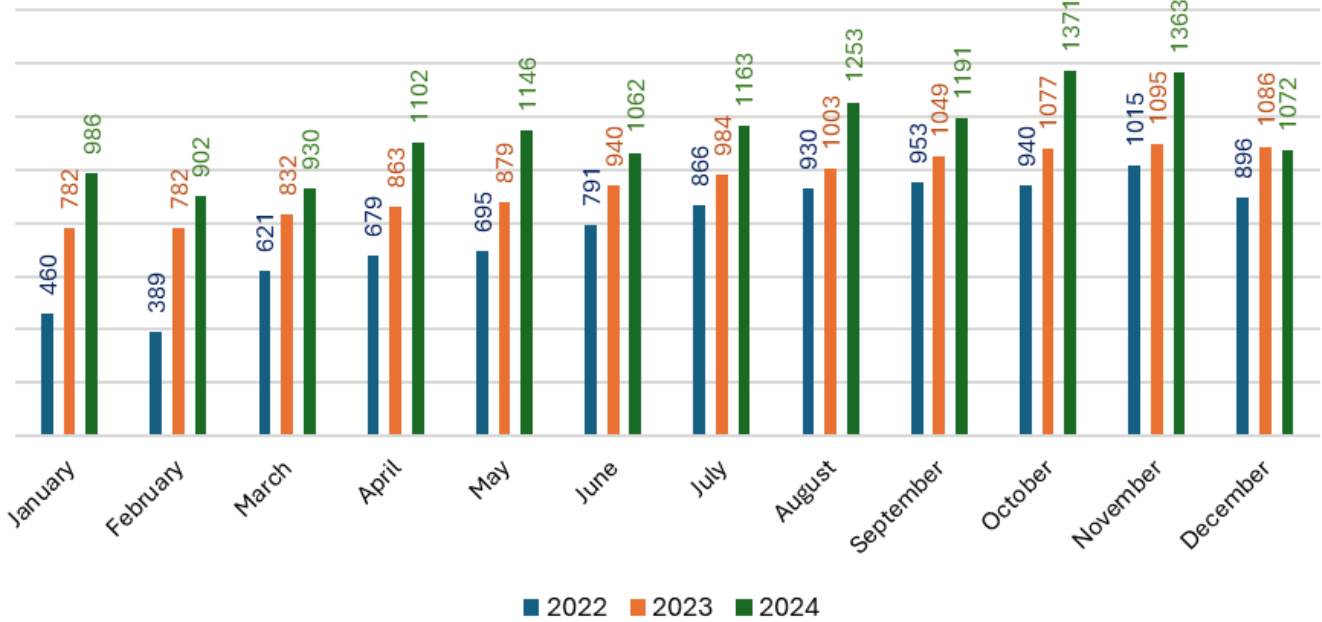
246 Volunteers have assisted at our special events that occur throughout the year.

Financials

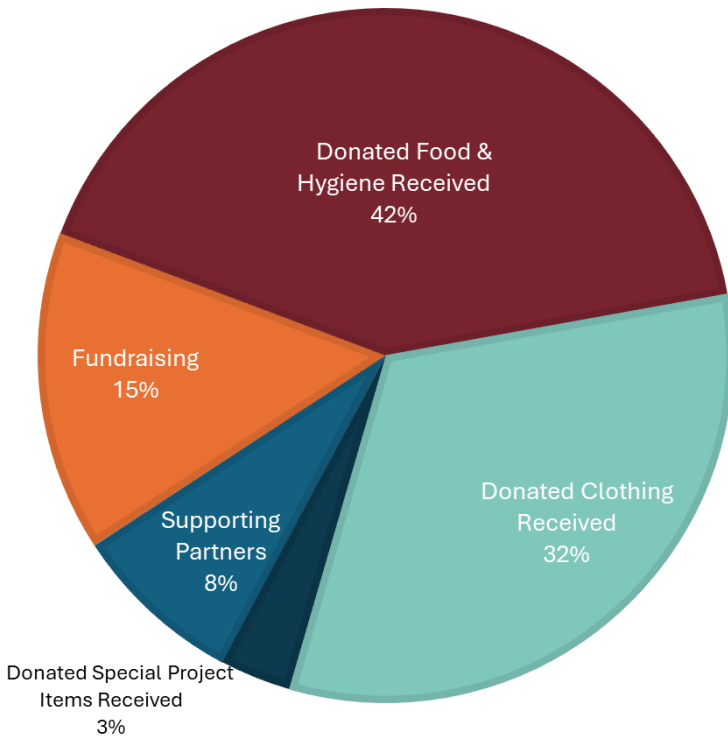
Income	2025 Budget	2024 Actual	2024 Budget
Supporting Partners	\$108,500	\$121,623	\$83,500
Fundraising	\$295,000	\$223,723	\$255,000
Miscellaneous	\$2,500	\$2,827	\$3,050
In-Kind Donations			
Donated Food & Hygiene Received	\$621,000	\$628,945	\$550,000
Donated Clothing Received	\$500,000	\$490,500	\$250,000
Donated Special Project Items Received	\$60,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total In-Kind Donations Received	\$1,181,000	\$1,169,445	\$850,000
Total Cash Income	\$406,000	\$348,173	\$341,550
Total Income (Including In-Kind Donations)	\$1,587,000	\$1,517,618	\$1,191,550

Expenses	2025 Budget	2024 Actual	2024 Budget
Ministry and Mission	\$92,100	\$80,523	\$72,600
Donated Food & Hygiene Distributed	\$621,000	\$628,945	\$550,000
Donated Clothing Distributed	\$500,000	\$490,500	\$250,000
Donated Special Project Items Distributed	\$60,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total In-Kind Donations Distributed	\$1,181,000	\$1,169,445	\$850,000
Compensation & Benefits	\$233,367	\$200,768	\$205,267
Administration	\$80,600	\$64,997	\$58,835
Total Cash Expenses	\$406,067	\$346,288	\$336,702
Total Expenses (Including In-Kind Expenses)	\$1,587,067	\$1,515,733	\$1,186,702

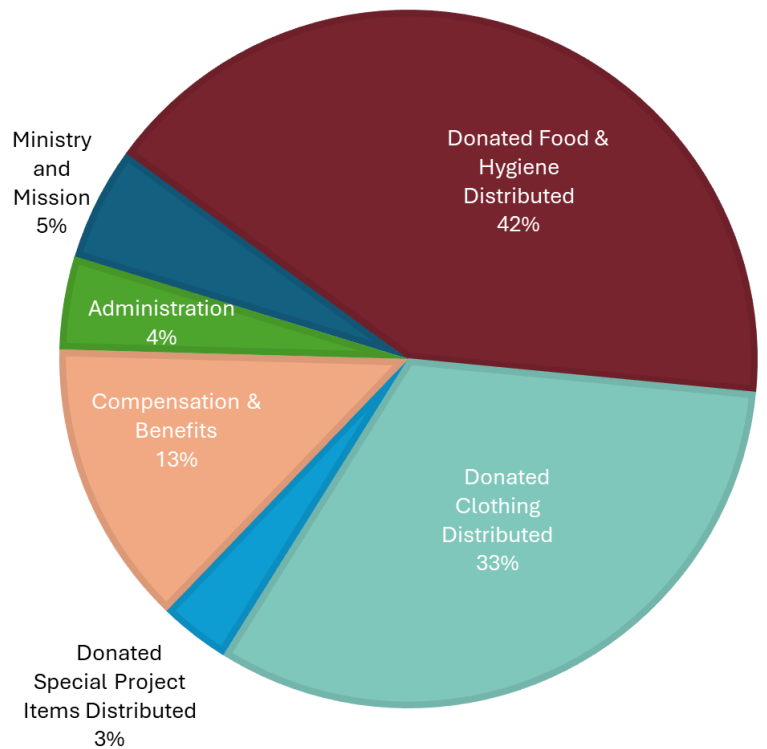
Ministry Visits 2022-2024



2024 Ministry Revenue



2024 Ministry Expenses



Thanks to our 2024 Supporting Organizations!

AC Cleaners Management, Inc.	Pokemon Go: St. Louis Ambassadors
Aldi	PreventEd
Assistance League	Prince of Peace UCC
Blueprint Coffee	Pyrene Fire Protection Company
Bonhomme Presbyterian Church	Remains
Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation	Ruler Foods
Carondelet United Church of Christ	Schnucks
Central Presbyterian Church	Shaw Art Fair
Charleston Power Family Garden	Southminster Presbyterian Church
Circle of Concern	Southminster Presbyterian Church (Women's Association)
Community Christian Church	Sports Medicine and Training
Compton Heights Christian Church	St. Anthony Food Pantry
Dragon Fly Fitness	St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
Eden Gleaners	St. John's Episcopal
Elliot Chapel	St. Johns Evangelical UCC
Emmanuel Episcopal Church	St. Johns Evangelistic UCC (Marys and Marthas)
Epiphany UCC	St. John's Lutheran
Episcopal Diocese of Missouri	St. Louis Area Foodbank
First Congregational Church	St. Louis Association UCC
Follow Lyn's Footsteps	St. Louis University Hospital
Fresh Tyhme	St. Lucas United Church of Christ
Gateway STEM ROTC	St. Margaret of Scotland Parish
Gethsemane Lutheran Church	St. Margaret of Scotland School
Girls Scouts of Eastern Missouri	St. Mark Presbyterian Church
Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C.	St. Mark Presbyterian Church Women's Fellowship
Hope United Church of Christ	St. Mark's Episcopal
Ivy Chapel UCC	St. Paul United Church of Christ
Jack and Jill	St. Paul's UCC
John Burroughs School	St. Peter's United Church of Christ
Ladue Chapel	St. Philips UCC
Ladue Chapel Women's Association	St. Thomas/Holy Spirit Lutheran Church
Lion's Choice	Starbucks
Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals	Straub's
Mann Elementary	Target
Meals on Wheels of Greater Saint Louis	The Blackbaud Giving Fund
Messiah Lutheran Church	Thrift Store
Missouri Dental	TOPS Club MO 0087
National Benevolent Association	Tower Grove Baptist Church
New Horizons Presbyterian Church	United Food and Commercial Worker Retirees' Club Local 655
Newborns in Need	Webster Groves Presbyterian Church
Normandy Schools	Webster Hills UMC
Novus Health	Whole Foods Market Services, Inc.
Oak Hill Presbyterian Church	Will Flores Fund
Oak Hill Presbyterian Church Women	
Operation Food Search	
Parkway UCC	

