

2023 Ministry Impact Report



"For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked, and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me. Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

– Matthew 25:35-40



OUR VISION

We envision a time
when everyone has a stable
home and the resources
needed to maintain it



OUR MISSION

Motivated by our faith in Christ, our mission is to build a community on the Kitsap Peninsula that cares for those experiencing homelessness

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Dear Friends.

Many of you know that our story began in 2009 when our humble founders and volunteers served free meals and provided portable showers and restrooms to Kitsap's most vulnerable unhoused community members. Looking back, there was no way we could have imagined how our ministry would grow and change over the years as we followed Christ's lead to do his will in our work.

I have learned so much during my tenure here at the Mission but more than anything, I have learned that all people need hope, love and belonging. There is hope for even the most debilitated person, and we are ALL God's children.

I hear stories every single day from Board Members, Staff, community members and our emergency shelter guests about how they were able to overcome incredible odds to not just become the hands and feet of God, but to share their ministries, strength and hope with others to experience full restoration in mind, body and spirit.



Robin Lund

Executive Director

Kitsap Rescue Mission

This year we are so grateful and proud to reflect on the tapestry that has made the Mission the strong and diverse organization it has become.

We thank our humble board members and volunteers who freely give of their time and expertise to ensure that KRM operates and grows in alignment with our mission.

We thank our dedicated donors who support the Mission for their generosity which affords us the opportunity to do our critical work and provide the love, compassion and support needed to change lives.

We thank our committed and talented Staff who are willing to love those who need it most and do the hard work it takes to be examples of Christ's work in action day in and day out.

We thank our community partners who believe in our Mission and walk alongside us by providing competent and impactful services to ensure the success of the folks we serve.

We thank our caring and compassionate community, including the Kitsap County Homelessness Division, who do not want anyone to freeze to death, or not have a place to call "home".

In the pages that follow you can read about the 167 individuals and families who received more than 35,250 bed nights of safe, secure shelter, 38,239 healthy meals and the 50 individuals and families who were transitioned into permanent housing and self-sufficiency and who experienced restoration of mind, body and spirit.

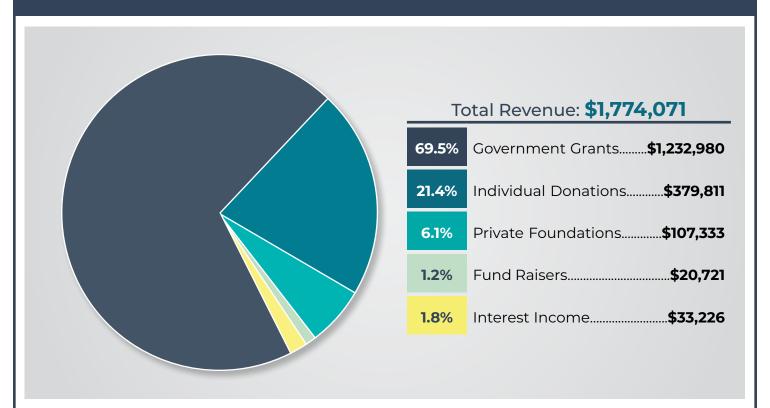
It is a privilege and honor to lead the Kitsap Rescue Mission together and I know the best is yet to come.

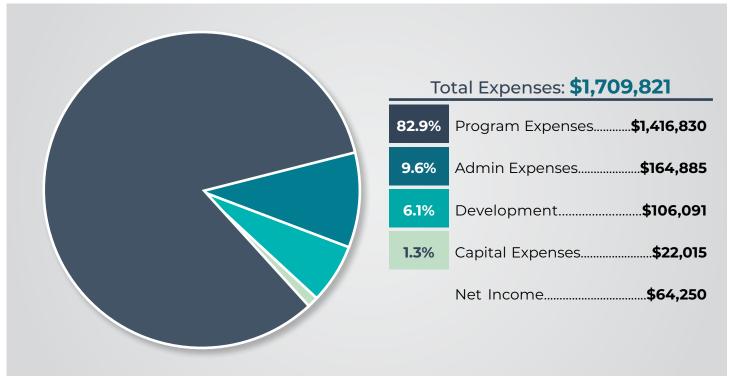
Blessings,



Executive Director, Kitsap Rescue Mission

Fiscal Year January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023

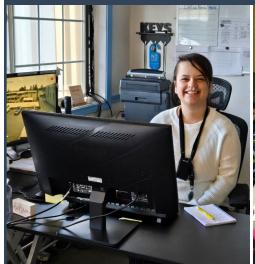




"The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing...Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."



Safe, Secure Emergency Shelter







Jessie a single mother and her four children, were escaping domestic violence after fleeing in the middle of the night with no where to go. She was unemployed and she and her children had suffered horrible physical and emotional trauma and abuse.

Two of her four children had behavioral issues that interfered with her ability to consistently hold a full-time job. Gratefully Jessie was referred to the Mission where she was able to begin the healing process

for her family. Working with her Mission case manager, Jessie was able to overcome her transportation barriers, get involved with parenting support classes, and was connected with therapists to begin the healing process for her family's mental and behavioral health.

The Mission staff were able to walk shoulder to shoulder with Jessie and her family to find permanent and sustainable housing and she and her family now have a bright future.



your Bonations at Work

Jan. 1, 2023 – Dec. 31, 2023 the Kitsap Rescue Mission

Provided **35,250** nights of safe and secure continuous-stay shelter to **167** individuals and families

"For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, Now I will arise," says the Lord; "I will set him in the safety for which he yearns."



Feeding the Hungry





From the time of our humble beginnings in 2009, feeding our most-in-need community members while sharing the love of Christ has been one of the Mission's top ministries. Our Food Services Ministry has evolved into providing three healthy, balanced and nutritious meals per day for our 100 individuals and families in shelter.

We do this with help from our Food Services team: Our local churches, volunteers, shelter guests, and food ministry staff come to together every day to prepare, cook, and serve meals to our shelter guests.

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Restorative Services



The Kitsap Rescue Mission is a traumainformed organization and believes in equity,
diversity and inclusion. As such, we meet our
shelter guests where they are. Our guests
arrive in shelter with a host of challenges.
We continue to serve and minister as we are
the hands and feet of God, and we support
an inclusive approach to restoring mental,
physical, and spiritual wellness. Through
our example, and with individually tailored
services, our guests are experiencing
restoration of mind, body and spirit.



In 2023, an average of **42%** or 70 shelter guests self-reported MH conditions and **29%** or 50 shelter guests reported substance abuse issues of the 167 guests in shelter.

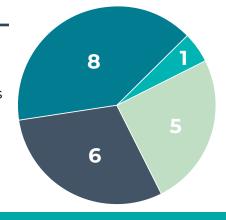


The Kitsap Rescue
Mission Licensed Mental
Health Counselor
(LMHC) provided **73**unduplicated guests
with **224** 1:1 sessions to
include crisis intervention,
assessment, 1:1 therapy
and treatment.

The Kitsap Rescue Mission Substance Use Disorder Professional (SUDP) provided **56** unduplicated guests with **261** 1:1 sessions to include crisis intervention, assessment, 1:1 and group therapy and treatment.

The SUDP also provided:

- 6 Detox admits
- 8 Outpatient treatment admits
- 1 Inpatient treatment admit
- 5 Sober living placements



"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Our 2023 Team



Our Board Members

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