

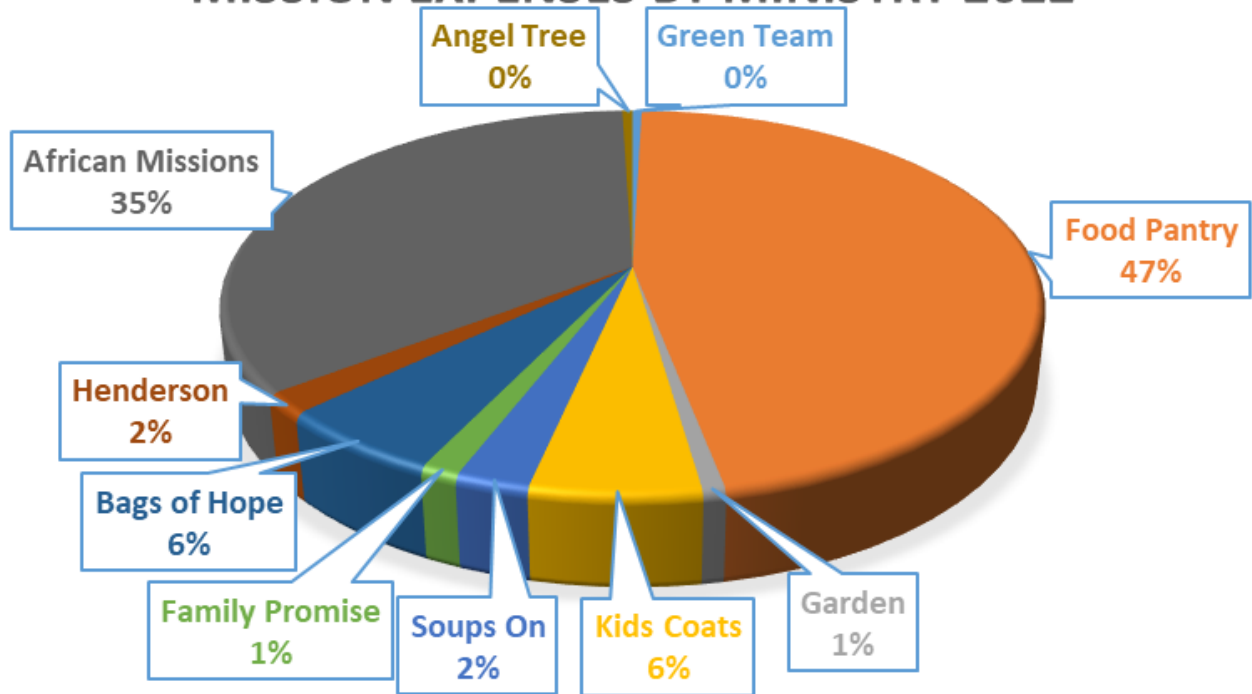
Mission Ministry Report 2022



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Spending Analysis

MISSION EXPENSES BY MINISTRY 2022



Mission (Name)	Invested (\$)	Volunteer (#)	People Impact (#)
Green Team	\$451	40	
Food Pantry	\$48,243	110	10,000
FP Garden	\$782	106	1051
Kids Coats	\$5910	75	658
Soups' On	\$2575	30	450
Family Promise	\$1323	50	3
Bags of Hope	\$6913	150	400
Henderson	\$6787	10	3
African Missions	\$36,211	10	170
Salvation Army	\$500	150	231
Angel Tree			

Bags of Hope

2022 Recap

In 2022 we had 150 volunteers from Carmel UMC make no-sew fleece blankets and pack personalized duffle bags for 458 children in the foster system in Indiana. Vacation Bible School and preschool children made toiletry kits. Bags of Hope also received a \$5000 CICF grant for doing good in the community and service of children.



2023 Vision

Increase awareness at the church including year round inventory and blanket needs. Continue reaching out for volunteers including blanket making and wrap and fill time. Continue being involved with Vacation Bible School and preschool. Also, we are trying to create a fundraising committee that would be led by one of our board members, this would be a great role to include CUMC members at large. We hope to add another foster agency partner, so that we can continue to grow the number of children we serve.

Green Team

2022 Recap

In 2022 the Green Team hosted projects such as the church clean-up day in April. We had thirty volunteers help plant, weed and clean around the Carmel UMC property. The Green Team also initiated switching 500 lights in the church from regular light bulbs to LED light bulbs, saving 29% in energy consumption each year. A team of 10 volunteers worked together over several months accomplish this amazing project. The energy savings alone will pay for the installation in two years.



2023 Vision

For 2023 the Green Team would like to get the church building Energy Star certified. This would range from small projects such as sealing windows, to larger projects such as replacing our HVAC units from as early as the 1960s with energy efficient units.

Food Pantry

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2022 Recap

In 2022 the Food Pantry averaged 900 guests per month. Partnerships consistently provided much needed items such as bread from Panera, eggs from Orchard Park Presbyterian, and produce from the farmer's market and several church gardens in the area. Community partners, such as the Agape church who worships with us on Sundays and the Knights of Columbus from St. Elizabeth Seton, donated large quantities of much needed items. Meijer grocery stores donated over \$22,000 in food cards through the Simply Give program. A new partnership with the Hamilton County Food Bank began in the fall and we receive several hundred pounds of food from them each month. Once again we had diligent volunteers who shopped, stocked, served and logistically organized the Food Pantry to be a great outreach to our community.



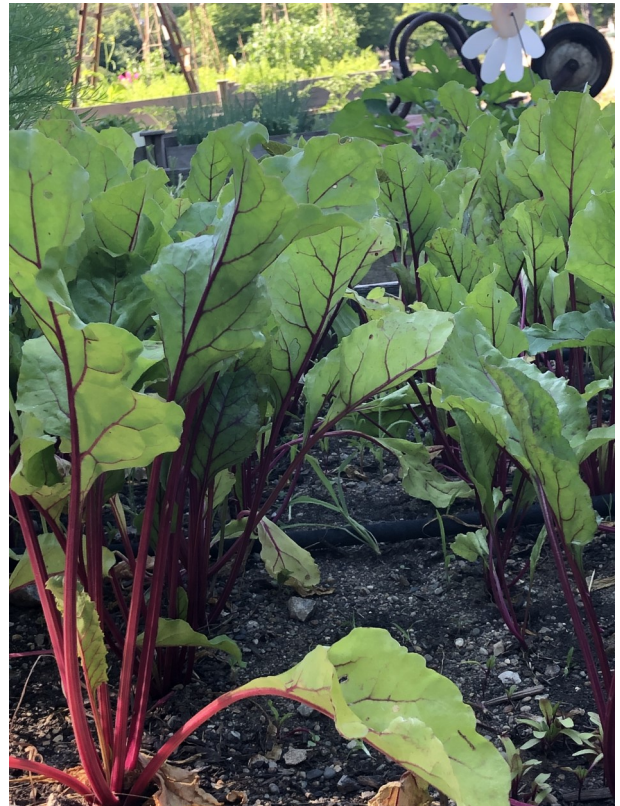
2023 Vision

In 2023 we are hopeful to continue to build partnerships with our guest and donors to consistently provide much needed healthy food items and hygiene products.

Pantry Garden

2022 Recap

In 2022 the Food Pantry Garden produced over 450 lbs of produce to share with up to 1051 families. The community rallied around this ministry. The Carmel High School softball team, Boys Scout troops, St. Mark's UMC mission camp, CUMC new members classes, CUMC Reconnect (High School), the CUMC preschool, and several individuals all volunteered throughout the growing season. Churches such as Carmel Christian Church, Cornerstone Lutheran, Pilgrim Lutheran and St. Christopher's Episcopal Church also donated produce from their gardens to the food pantry.



2023 Vision

In 2023 we are hopeful to convert an unused bathroom at the Food Pantry into a grow room with shelving, grow lights, a workbench and storage. We hope to cut costs by starting seedlings to transplant into the Garden and perhaps extend the growing season in the colder months. We would also like to replace four of the oldest raised garden beds that have not weathered well.

Kids' Coats

2022 Recap

In 2022 we had 75 volunteers from Carmel UMC volunteer with Kids Coats collecting donations, working in the warehouse and on distribution day. On November 5th we were able to give away 658 coats to our community.



2023 Vision

Hamilton County Kids Coats has grown to the point where county-wide operations must change to a Hub & Spoke model where each of the locations where coats are given out will become more than just a distribution center. Kids Coats and its church-partners will bring together already-existing advocates & supporters to collect and distribute coats in each of the communities served. Referrals will happen via the schools and trustees offices. Kids Coats will begin beta-testing this new model next year with plans for it to be fully operational by 2025.

What this means for CUMC: in many ways, Carmel is the perfect place to begin testing this new model in 2023. There already exists a robust collection system within CCS schools and strong connection with the Carmel Youth Assistance Program, which has partnered with CUMC this year for coats as well as the Angel Tree program. The final piece of connecting the dots of moving CUMC into this new Hub Model is bringing in the businesses and service organizations (like Carmel Kiwanis) that have already been partnering with not only Kids Coats, but also the schools. In 2023, CUMC will begin to transition to this new model by turning to the Clay Township Trustees Office, Carmel Clay Schools and the CUMC Food Pantry for coat referrals for Carmel residents.

Family Promise

2022 Recap

In 2022 we had 50 volunteers from Carmel UMC purchase and donate items to the Apartment Furnishings Project. Through this project we were able to help a family out of homelessness and into an apartment where they could live permanently.



2023 Vision

In 2023 we will again participate in the Apartment Furnishings Project during the month of May to help a family out of homelessness and into an apartment where they can live permanently.



In addition, we will participate in the meal delivery program which serves families living in the apartments. We hope to expand this program to serve several families for several months.

Soup's On

2022 Recap

In 2022 we partnered with Roberts Park UMC on five Sundays to serve lunch to the poor and homeless population of downtown Indianapolis. Throughout the year we had 19 CUMC volunteers (several serving multiple times) working to provide 450 people a meal when they otherwise would have gone without. Our volunteers also helped with handing out clothing and personal hygiene items which were donated by CUMC members and other churches in the area.

Lunch consists of:

- Fried chicken
- Ham sandwich
- Fruit Cup
- Baked Item
- Chips
- Gatorade
- Napkin & Sani-wipe

Other Items Include:

- Socks (weather appropriate)
- Gloves/Hats/Chap-Stick
- T-shirts/Underwear
- Toothpaste/brush
- Razor/Shaving Cream
- Toilet Paper/Soap/Shampoo



2023 Vision

Before the pandemic started in early 2020 we had been serving hot meals in the Roberts Park basement cafeteria. This usually consisted of Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Baked Snacks, Bread, and a Soft Drink. Sadly we had to cease that for obvious health concerns, but have not been able to resume due to kitchen staffing issues and continued (although lessened) health concerns. It would be wonderful if we could resume serving the full "Hot Meal" (with take-home sack lunches) that we used to provide before COVID.

Angel Tree

2022 Recap

In 2022 we partnered with Salvation Army Angel Tree and served as the sole distribution site in Hamilton County. As a church, we generously adopted over 100 angels. This means we shopped for something the child Wanted, something to Wear, something they Needed, and something to Read. On December 17th we had 50 volunteers assist parents and caregivers in picking up gifts for over 231 children. Bible were distributed and prayers were said with those who desired extra comfort during the Christmas season.



2023 Vision

In 2023 we hope to increase the number of children we serve in Hamilton County and partner with local businesses to serve the community.

Henderson Settlement

2022 Recap

In 2022 we sent a team of eight to the Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky. Throughout the week the team was there they built relationships and helped repair a home for a family.



2023 Vision

We would like to return to Henderson in 2023 with another CUMC team.

African Missions

2022 Recap

In 2022 we continued our partnership with Operation Classroom and made a \$17,000 donation to fund a computer lab and work/study grants at the Taiama Enterprise Academy (the TEA) in Sierra Leone, a partnership with Hoosier United Methodists and the Sierra Leone United Methodist Conference. This education and training, in a country with over 70% young adult unemployment, will make a long lasting impact in the lives of over 110 students a year to enable them to support themselves, their families, and their villages. This winter, Josie Koker of CUMC is installing a solar array at the TEA to reduce fuel costs and enable greater periods of reliable electricity. We also partnered with the Betty Carew Foundation and donated \$4000 to support women learning to sew. In addition to these donations, we support Pastor Daisy in her education at United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. She will be able to return to Sierra Leone in August 2023 with a Master's Degree in Christian Education and teach other pastors and pastors-in-training in her country. Over 900 theological books and references were sent to the seminary. In addition, three people from CUMC will journey to Sierra Leone in late January of 2023.



2023 Vision

To continue CUMC's partnership, along with other Hoosier United Methodists, with the Sierra Leone United Methodist Conference to support education and career development for young women and men at the TEA. Training includes growing crops and food-producing trees, animal husbandry, structure design and building, welding, engine mechanics, solar array installation and maintenance, and carpentry. The TEA will help reduce the large degree of young adult unemployment in Sierra Leone. The Betty Carew Foundation will support women in developing skills in clothing design and sewing. We will continue to support Pastor Daisy during her seminary work at United Seminary.



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