



HERITAGE
OF

HOPE



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ANNUAL REPORT



Psalm 33:22

*"May your
unfailing love
be with us,
Lord, even as
we put our
HOPE in you."*



RESCUE MINISTRIES OF MID-MICHIGAN (R3M) has more than 119 years of experience in addressing the most basic needs among people: shelter, food, and clothing. With time, we have increased our effectiveness by expanding our facilities and improving our programs, providing ever more compassionate care to the homeless in our community.





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BEGINS **HERE**

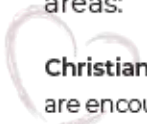
EMERGENCY
SHELTER

Most often, the need for emergency shelter is what brings someone through our doors – no one plans to be homeless. But homelessness can happen to anyone at any time. At Rescue Ministries, our counselors meet with guests to identify services needed. We meet their immediate need for shelter and begin providing tools that will lead them to sustainable permanent housing.


Our emergency shelters are equipped to house men, veterans, women, children, and families. We are diligent at providing a safe and clean environment for each guest, being confident that this will aid them in transitioning into independence.

No matter the reason someone needs help, they'll find it at the mission, thanks to our caring staff and generous supporters. Our prayer is for people to go beyond emergency shelter services and take part in our **Impact Program**.


The **Impact Program** focuses on spiritual and long-term needs. Guests receive additional help in these key areas:




Christian Discipleship: Guests are encouraged to develop an active relationship with the Lord. In our chapel, pastors, church leaders and staff share daily messages of hope.



Case Management: Guests meet regularly with a case manager to assess needs, coordinate resources, and celebrate successes.



Life Skills Classes: Staff collaborates with volunteers to present life skills training covering such topics as parenting, health and wellness, financial literacy, computer literacy, communication & conflict resolution, and time management.



Housing Services: Our housing coordinator meets with Impact Program guests to assist with post-shelter housing options.

Guests who complete the **Impact Program** are also eligible for Impact Designs services.



HOPE in SAGINAW



CITY RESCUE MISSION OF SAGINAW:

The original City Rescue Mission location was on East Genesee Street near the Saginaw River. The Mission location moved every few years until 1932 when the corner of Lapeer and 3rd Street became its home for fifty years. It was at 921 Lapeer Street that the Mission served men riding the rails from town-to-town, and it was also here that families recovering from the Depression were often assisted.

There was no question that the time had come to expand facilities to dimensions that would call for the first Mission relocation in half a century. Once an upscale apartment house built in the 1920s, the former Eventide Home for seniors operated by the Salvation Army became available. Mission friends enthusiastically responded to the challenge. The move was made to the northwest corner of Burt Street and East Genesee, and the facility was dedicated on June 5, 1982.

Last year, your compassion meant...

1,058 homeless men, women & children
received emergency shelter services

Over 49,000 nights of
emergency shelter provided

134 Average daily
occupancy

Over 68,000
meals served



HOPE in BAY CITY



GOOD SAMARITAN RESCUE MISSION OF BAY CITY:

In the summer of 2001, representatives of several Bay area agencies asked the leadership of City Rescue Mission to provide compassionate care to the homeless in Bay City. It soon became clear that it was God at work in preparing to open the door for a new mission. A search of available buildings led Mission leadership to the old Samaritan Hospital owned by Bay Medical Center.

Good Samaritan Rescue Mission opened on March 23, 2005. Today the Mission has grown to become the largest homeless service provider in Bay County.

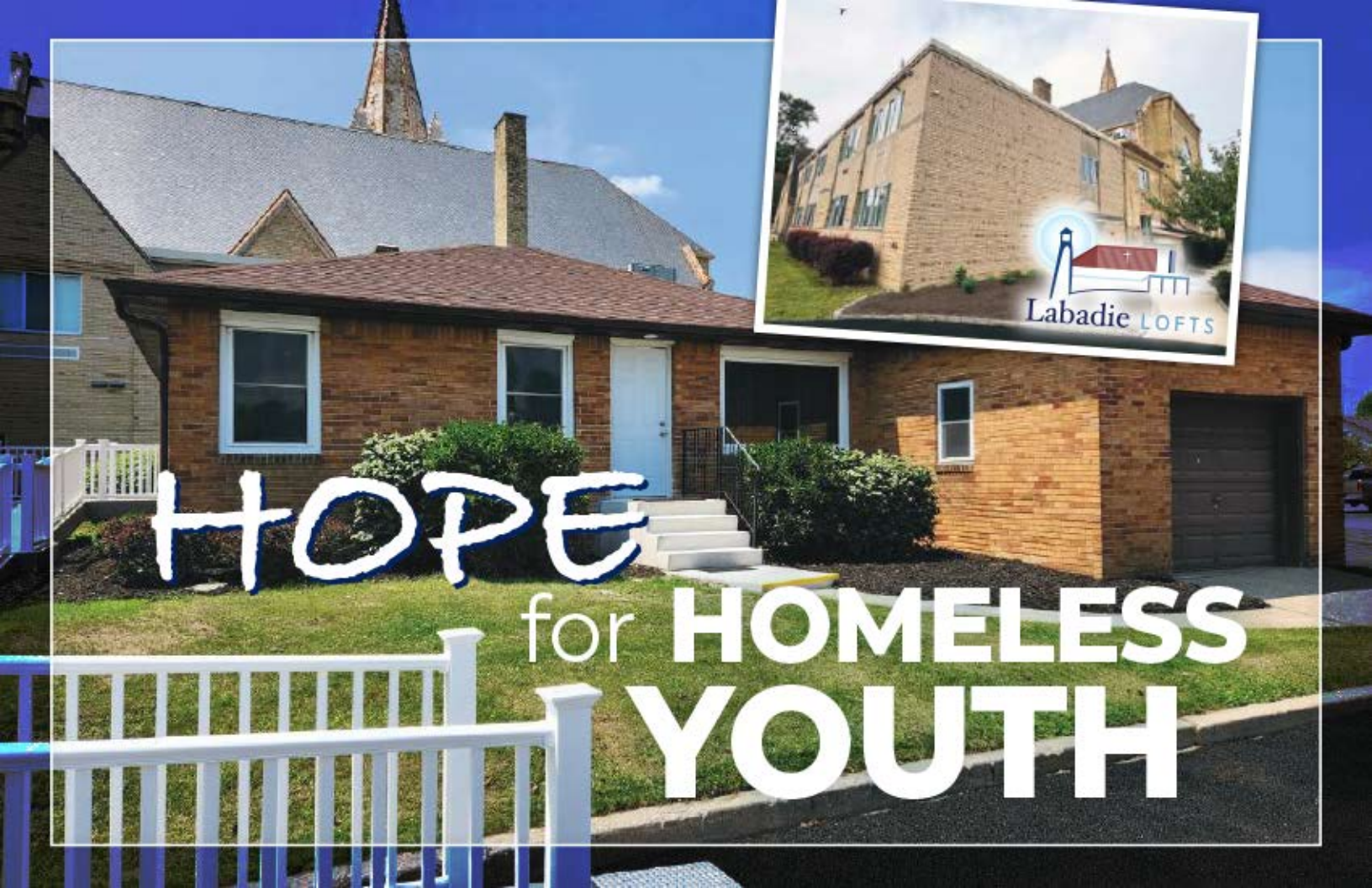
Last year, your compassion meant...

673 men, women & children received
emergency shelter services

Over 32,000 nights of
emergency shelter provided

88 Average daily
occupancy

Over 42,000
meals served



HOPE

for HOMELESS

YOUTH



SAMARITAN YOUTH SERVICES:

In 2019 discussions with MDHHS indicated there was a shortage of emergency services for youth 12-17 years old. The need had become critical since the closing of Cory Place in 2015. **Samaritan Youth Services** includes the **Samaritan Youth Shelter**, the **Doud House** and **Labadie Lofts**.

The **Samaritan Youth Shelter** (SYS) is licensed by the State of Michigan DHHS and opened February 2, 2021. Samaritan Youth Shelter is a voluntary program for youth and their families. SYS provides short term emergency shelter for up to 21 days and counseling services to homeless youth, ages 12 to 17 who are at risk of encountering law enforcement, child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice system.

Our staff strive to provide the best support for our youth in need. Samaritan Youth Shelter has three main goals for youth: reunification with family, connection with education, and enhancement of life skills. Since opening the Samaritan Youth Shelter has provided safe shelter and support to 102 homeless youth.

The **Doud House** is a transitional housing program licensed by the State of Michigan DHHS and opened July 12, 2024. The Doud House helps youth ages 16-17 prepare for adulthood, offering up to 18 months of shelter, meals, mentoring, case management and vocational goal support. The facility is dedicated in the memory of Rick Doud who was the first Samaritan Youth Services Administrator.


Labadie Lofts is a 10-studio apartment complex designed to specifically assist teens that are aging out of the foster care system. The Lofts provides a safety net and a launching pad for youth in transition. The independent, but supportive, housing assists young adults as they begin a path to adulthood.

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13



HOPE
for
TOMORROW





Impact Designs focuses on housing stability and reducing the number of guests returning to homelessness. Statistics show that 91% of individuals who move into a fully furnished home, complete with all the essentials, stay housed.

Shelter guests who choose to be part of our Impact Program participate in individualized case management, housing placement, life-skills classes, and chapel services. They also become eligible for an **Impact Designs** move and follow-up monthly case management services for twelve months. This year Rescue Ministries partnered with AT&T to help bridge the digital divide. Shelter guests participating in our computer literacy class receive a computer donated by AT&T when they move out.

Once guests acquire their own housing, **Impact Designs** staff and volunteers utilize donated material goods to furnish their new home attractively and efficiently. Each guest receives a unique design, based on their specific needs and desires. An empty apartment is transformed into a Home with the help of volunteer designers. Volunteers assist with move-in on moving day. Then we do a big reveal!

We call this process "Helping Home Happen." Impact Designs has helped home happen for 130 families and individuals since its launch in 2021.



Trust ye in the Lord for ever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength: Isaiah 26:4

Samaritan Award

Jesus was one day confronted by a lawyer and questioned about what a person must do to receive life in Heaven. It was determined that one should love the Lord with all their heart, soul, strength, and mind, and love their neighbor as much as they loved themselves. However, as lawyers are prone to look for loopholes, this man questioned Jesus as to just who his neighbor might be. Jesus, being the master of parables, took the time to tell about a man traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho who fell among thieves. He was beaten, robbed, and left to die on the side of the road. Soon a Jewish priest came along, noted the man's plight, but decided to continue on his way without offering assistance. Next a Levite, also known as a Godly man, passed by the robbery victim and he also decided the man's plight was none of his business. However, a man from Samaria (a very undesirable place to Jews) came upon the poor soul and took the time to treat his wounds and minister care to one who would not normally care for him.



Samaritan Award Recipients

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| 2001 | Ken & Karen Streeter |
| 2002 | James Kapuscinski |
| 2003 | Robert Forbes |
| 2004 | Harold Reamer |
| 2005 | Rev. William Severance |
| 2006 | James & Verena Densmore
Loundy & Florence Parth |
| 2007 | Dwane & Valerie Bassett
Al Christiansen |
| 2008 | Robin Tyndall |
| 2009 | Dr. Thomas & Dorothy Buechle
Next Media |
| 2010 | Gerald Blohm
Dale Wieck |
| 2011 | Katherine Kleppart
Lee Lambert
John Nagy |

After sharing this story Jesus allowed the lawyer to decide which man demonstrated the quality of loving his neighbor.

Annually the Rescue Mission leadership considers all the volunteer efforts that have been observed. The Mission, being a volunteer driven organization, literally has hundreds of potential "Samaritans" demonstrating love to their neighbors every year. Some share clothing, some dress wounds, some offer transportation, some give money to pay for lodging others, but all are interested in assisting the beaten and downtrodden. The Samaritan Award is presented to one whose charitable acts have somehow stood out among the hundreds of kindnesses. Just as in Jesus' day, the outstanding Samaritan is not easily noted because many times they are discovered among the most unsuspecting candidates. The universal characteristic among all Samaritan Award recipients is that they would all be someone that you would appreciate as a neighbor.

2012	Ed & Jean Gray Tom Johnson
2013	Ron Paluck Mary Rathke
2014	Wes and Gayla Butcher Joann Roth
2015	Joe & Lynn Todey Brian & Char Wieland
2016	George & Sharon Krieger Jerry & Joy Schuitman
2017	Pat & Deb Downing Judith Sandefur Saginaw Spirit Hockey
2018	Tom & Phyllis Najawicz Hopevale Church Westminster Presbyterian Church
2019	Melisa Cabine Tom & Sybil Clark Kathy Estep
2021	Richard & Lacy Frontjes Tom Marx Immanuel Bible Church
2022	Marcia Letson Rita Truss
2023	Kelly Appold Pat & Betty Daily Frank Marcello



THANK YOU

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Year after year, you entrust us with some of your most important possessions...your time, your talent, and your treasure.

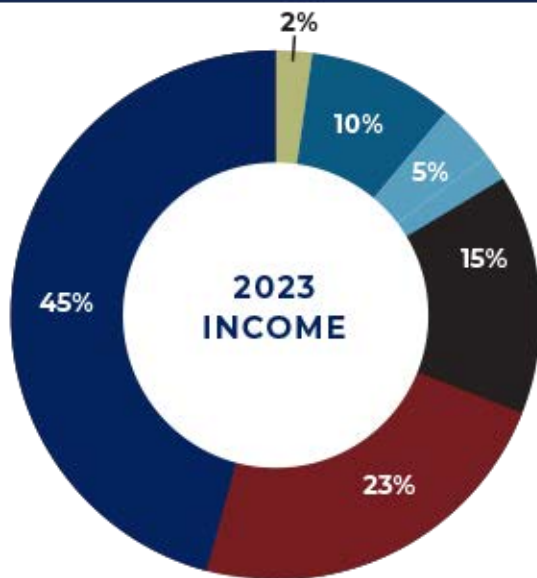
Year after year, we work to ensure that you will never be disappointed. 2023 can be described as a year of *trusting God*. The Rescue Ministries team understands that without Him we are unable to accomplish anything of Kingdom significance. Rescue Ministries has a long history of changing to meet the needs of the homeless in our community. During 2023 we expanded City Rescue Mission's Intact Family Wing, adding 24 beds to better meet the needs of homeless families. We also opened Labadie Lofts in Bay City. The Lofts provide permanent housing opportunities for homeless youth aged 18-21.

We thank God for your prayerful and financial support during 2023 and look forward to your partnership in 2024.

Financials

In 2023, your compassion enabled us to...

- Provide food and emergency shelter services to **1,731 homeless** men, women, and children in the Great Lakes Bay Region.
- Serve **123,709 meals** to homeless men, women, and children in the Great Lakes Bay Region.
- Provide **81,056 nights** of warm, safe lodging averaging **222 per night**.

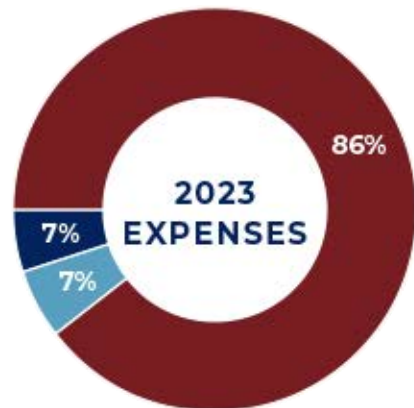


EXPENSES:

Guest Services \$5,455,880
Administrative \$444,866
Fundraising \$444,605

INCOME:

Individuals \$3,203,400
Grants \$1,635,249
Gift in Kind \$1,063,590
Businesses \$315,465
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