



2024 GRACE Annual Report

SAFE & SECURE: A PLACE TO CALL "HOME"

Hope and joy is hard to come by if you have hunger, a housing crisis, or healthcare insecurity. GRACE care managers go all-out to provide that hope, keeping families secure in their home while on a path towards self-sufficiency.

This report highlights just some of the successes your generosity made possible in the 2024 fiscal year, September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.



Rebecca Cox
Chief Executive Officer

Dear Friends,

Over the past year, GRACE has been involved in many conversations on how to best serve our community amid the rising cost of housing, healthcare, groceries, and other necessities. Indeed, the term “housing” can take on many meanings. For GRACE, it means ensuring families and individuals of all incomes and circumstance can have access to opportunities for education, gainful employment, and safety for their children.

Since its inception, our centerpiece housing program, “Transitional Housing” has truly embodied this idea of being a place where families and individuals who literally have nowhere else to turn can find those exact opportunities through guidance, kind words of encouragement, care management planning and, yes, housing.

The term “transitional” can also be understood in many ways. Again, for GRACE, it has always and continues to mean walking beside a family from a starting place of despair to a place of hope and self-sufficiency through life-changing care management and mentoring guidance.

In an effort to bring clarity to the true impact of this GRACE housing program, GRACE took the unprecedented step this past year to rename this program from “Transitional Housing” to a more apt name: Mentorship Housing. This new name describes what GRACE does and has always done for decades which is, as our mission statement says, ***“as a steward of God’s blessings and resources in the community, GRACE provides assistance to individuals and families in crisis with guidance toward self-sufficiency.”***

Mentorship Housing precisely fulfills the very last line and truly provides guidance toward self-sufficiency to those in crisis and who need our help the most.

The first section therefore falls to you, our generous donors and friends. You who are truly the “blessings in our community”, in so many ways. It is our promise to you therefore, and to God above, to continue to be the bridge and conduit to steward the generosity from our community to compassionately provide assistance to individuals and families in crisis, however it is needed.

In this report, you will see information about our entire continuum of care of programs and the positive impact they have provided, including a few new ways we are implementing to serve our community even more thoughtfully in the years to come.

As always, I am grateful to work with knowledgeable staff and remarkable volunteers and board who advocate for effectiveness, reliability and strength of our mission in all we endeavor to do. On behalf of all of these, and especially on behalf of the tens of thousands we served in FY24, I thank you for your continued support and am honored to present to you this report.

In service,





POINT IN TIME

COUNTING THE HOMELESS IN GRAPEVINE



Jina Walker, MEd
Chief Program Officer, GRACE

[Jina Walker started at GRACE in August, bringing more than 12 years of experience in social service program development, including outreach, emergency services, and housing. Seeking innovative ways of addressing

hardships and challenges in the community is her passion.

“My first look at GRACE began with a drive through Grapevine’s streets lined with beautiful buildings and inviting businesses that encourages one to stop and take it all in. I am so grateful to be a part of the GRACE family. GRACE reflects the beauty, compassion, and engagement that is a part of Grapevine. Part of that engagement and beauty is the collaboration from so many to make sure that all in our community can thrive and build a beautiful life.”

[The PIT (point in time) count occurs on a single night in January across the country to count unhoused households. In 2023, more than three-quarters of a million people (777,000) were experiencing homelessness across the United States. The year-over-year increase in homelessness was 18%; 124,000 more in 2024 than in 2023.]

“I have participated in the PIT Count for eight years in Tarrant County and it always hurts my heart to witness that

amount of suffering. This year was no exception as teams counted unhoused in Grapevine, Colleyville, HEB, and surrounding cities. Still, I am constantly amazed by the creativity and resilience our unhoused neighbors show as they work to rebuild stability.”

[The Grapevine Police Department, GCISD, local churches, and others help by referring individuals and families that are experiencing housing instability to GRACE and the continuum of care services GRACE offers. While providing these essential services is admirable, covering the cost is a constant challenge that GRACE, as a steward of our communities’ generosity, gladly accepts.

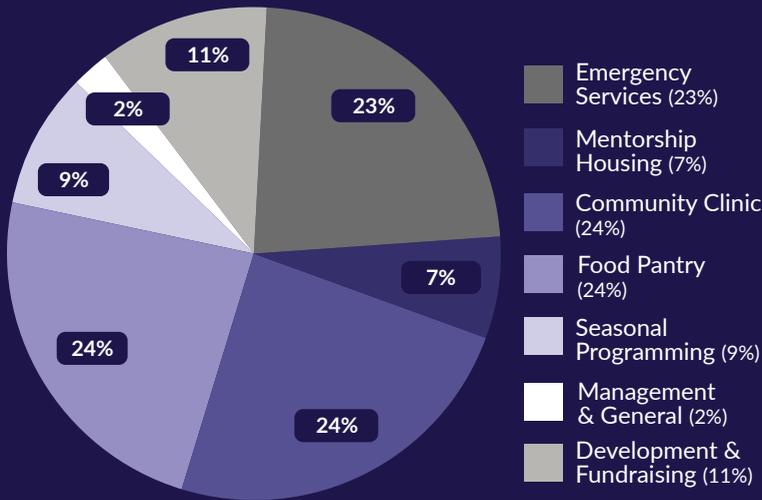
“I am so honored and proud to be a part of this wonderful organization. The need [for GRACE services] is great, but GRACE is poised for growth. As always in our nearly 40 years, we will find a way to serve our community and provide continued excellence.”

THROUGHOUT 2024:



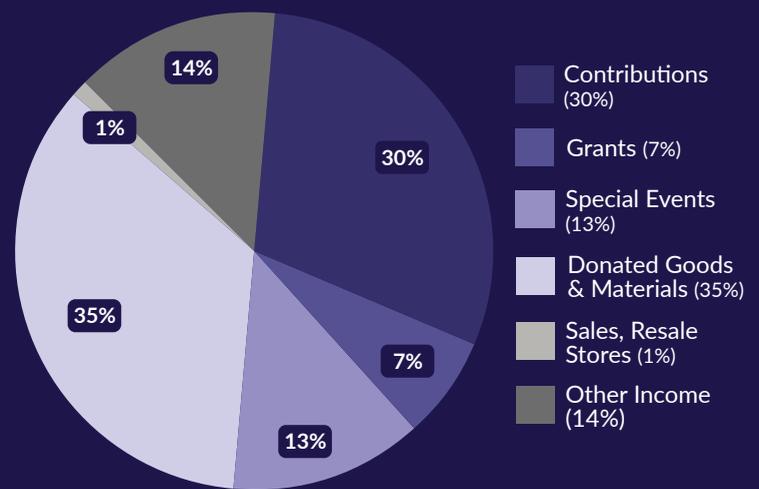
Total Expenses

FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024



Total Revenue

FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024



Pilot Program: Covered by GRACE, a new way to help

GRACE has been working with individuals and families experiencing housing insecurity and homelessness since its founding in 1987. As such, GRACE was uniquely situated to create a “Rapid Exit” program to quickly house or re-house unhoused families.

The program, Covered by GRACE, moves families from a recent loss of housing into a new home and further guides program participants to maintain housing and quickly regain self-sufficiency upon conclusion of the 3-month program.

GRACE approached Partnership Home that manages accounts for the Day 1 Families Fund. Day 1 Families Fund was originally endowed by Amazon founder Jeff Bezos.

The proposal was accepted and funded an amount allowing GRACE to “test drive” the program—to implement the program and assess its impact. GRACE extended its array of housing and wrap-around services to up to 15 families each year ensuring immediate safety for program participants.

Families accessed the GRACE Food Pantry, selected clothing and bedding from the GRACE Clothing Room, received care through the GRACE Community Clinic, secured care management services including job assistance, and obtained school supplies and resources for families with school-age children.

GRACE was able to bridge the gap for families who needed a hand up beyond one month of support but whose circumstances did not require the in-depth support that the GRACE two-year

Mentorship Housing program provides.

GRACE also used its on-going partnerships with more than 100 local apartment management groups to quickly navigate landlord engagement and housing connection.

A GRACE care manager was assigned to each family and provided a full biopsychosocial assessment and worked with the family’s head-of-household to devise a case plan addressing areas of need and client-directed goals.

From there, housing retention and sustainability case management efforts began. Guided by the established plan, and augmented by GRACE supportive services, participants and care managers connected weekly, or as often as needed, ensuring progress was being made.

Thus far, twelve families have enrolled in Covered by GRACE. Six have overwhelmingly succeeded in meeting the goals, including securing gainful employment. Four families continue in the program and are on positive paths. Two families continue to struggle and may need additional supports.

GRACE provides assistance to more than 4,000 households annually. Many of those served by GRACE are families in an active housing crisis. If funding continues, Covered by GRACE becomes one more opportunity in the GRACE Continuum of Care to pull families from housing instability and establish healthy financial habits and basic life skills to help them maintain housing without further assistance.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

CURRENT ASSETS	2024	2023
Cash & Cash Equivalents	1,933,972	941,501
Investments	3,456,705	2,958,591
Resale Inventory	150,780	114,264
Pledges Receivable	37,056	98,758
Prepaid Expenses	217,047	140,947
Total Current Assets	5,855,560	4,254,061
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	5,429,700	5,433,212
OTHER ASSETS	13,856	18,844
TOTAL ASSETS	11,299,116	9,706,117

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CURRENT LIABILITIES	2024	2023
Accounts Payable	46,391	82,169
Accrued Payroll	98,021	56,754
Accrued Liabilities	123,192	98,900
Deferred Revenue	2,146,355	444,088
Deferred Rent Liability	15,731	22,260
Total Current Liabilities	2,429,690	704,171
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	1,517,651	2,185,391
Total Liabilities	3,947,341	2,889,562
NET ASSETS		
Net Assets w/o Donor Restrictions		
Board Designation	3,046,734	2,607,698
Undesignated	4,017,028	3,941,099
Total Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	7,063,762	6,548,797
Net Assets w/Donor Restrictions	288,013	267,758
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	11,299,116	9,706,117

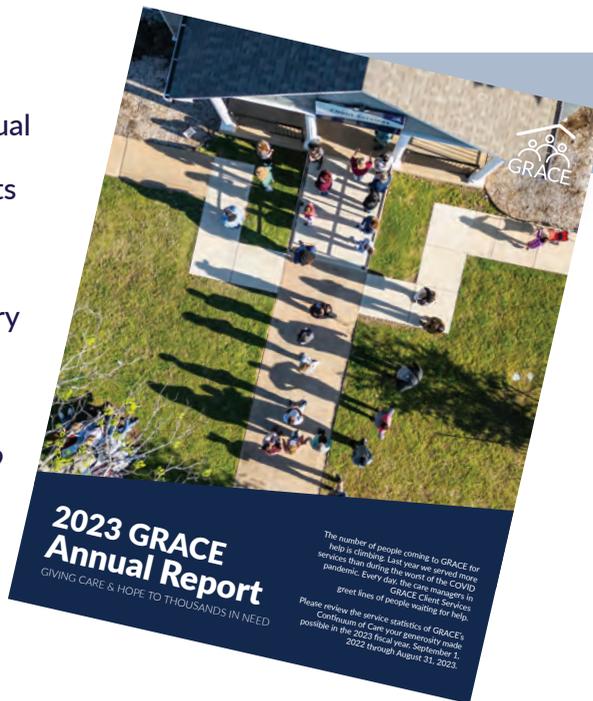
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

REVENUE & OTHER SUPPORT	2024 TOTAL	2023 TOTAL
Contributions	2,546,850	2,408,824
Grants	624,919	696,424
In-Kind Contributions	3,020,852	2,645,615
Sales, Resale Stores, Net	1,211,729	1,123,283
Donated Goods & Materials	876,956	800,732
Client Donations	11,493	6,200
Investment Income	499,133	223,781
Special Events, Net	1,116,775	854,138
Other Income	44,100	16,800
Total Revenues & Other Support	9,952,807	8,775,797
EXPENSES		
Program Services	6,330,542	5,435,827
Management & General	172,543	174,092
Resale	2,111,581	2,040,936
Fund Raising	802,921	772,355
Total Expenses	9,417,587	8,423,210
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	535,220	352,587
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	6,816,555	6,463,968
Net Assets - End of Year	7,351,775	6,816,555

UPDATE

Last year, the GRACE Annual Report focused on the increasing number of clients coming to GRACE for assistance. Lines formed outside the GRACE Client Services offices nearly every day with families seeking help.

FY23 witnessed 10,301 unduplicated clients (3,789 households) come to GRACE— an increase of nearly 47% over the previous year.



While the number of unduplicated clients did not decrease noticeably in FY24 (10,236 unduplicated clients/3,760 households), some aspects in the methodology of serving clients changed.

This has resulted in shorter wait times for clients, more convenient hours, a better use of resources, and a more efficient manner of service provision.

Client Services' hours were extended three additional hours to better accommodate working clients; and one Saturday a month Client Services offices are open 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

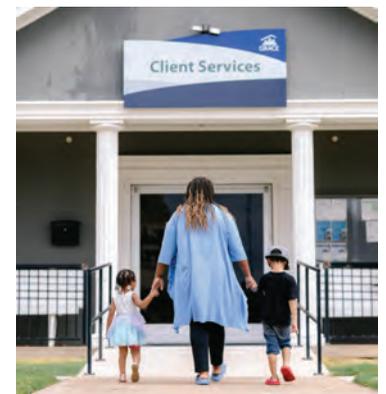
- GRACE still welcomes walk-in clients every day, but clients can now set appointed times Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to visit with their Care Managers.
- Work assignments for Care Managers were adjusted accordingly to cover walk-in clients, and a new platform allows Care Managers to access client files electronically, reducing wait times, expediting file updates, and cutting paper consumption.
- A change in rental assistance provision now gives priority to those who have past due payments pending or who are behind on their current month's rent. Still, critical relief is offered for any clients in urgent need of assistance.
- GRACE concentrated efforts to support the underserved in the northeast Tarrant County area. For those from other areas of the D-FW Metroplex, GRACE

re-initiated its referral network to collaborate with services closer to clients' homes.

- Online messaging was developed for clients, in English and Spanish, to include eligibility requirements, as well as a list of forms such as bank statements, lease agreements, listings of current financial assistance including food stamps, and other information needed by Care Managers.

Flexibility has been a hallmark of GRACE since its inception nearly 40 years ago. The agency's ability to diagnosis a potential crisis and seek innovative solutions has once again proven itself in new, efficient, and effective services.

GRACE is grateful to its community of donors, volunteers, and advocates who invest time, treasure, talents and testimony in its mission.



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