

2024 REPORT



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"STILL OTHER SEED FELL ON GOOD SOIL, WHERE IT PRODUCED A CROP A HUNDRED, SIXTY OR THIRTY TIMES WHAT WAS SOWN." Matthew 13:8

Dear new friends,

I feel so blessed to have been recently appointed by our Board of Directors to the position of Executive Director. Angela Worthey, my predecessor and mentor for ten years, has poured into me, prayed over all of our staff and worked tirelessly to prepare Refuge for this new season we are now in.

As I have been sitting in Angela's office, (I guess its my office now; but old habits die hard), I have been thanking the Lord every day for all that Angela has done to build up Refuge. In her tenure as Executive Director, and even as Office Manager before, she sowed many seeds with her dedication and passion for this ministry. Our clients, staff and volunteers benefit daily from her work. So much has changed over the years, but through it all, Angela sought the Lord's will for His ministry. She listened to the prompting of the Holy Spirit and planted seeds through programs, services, and systems that are still bearing fruit today.

For example, at the beginning of 2024, Angela led the planning and logistics to get The Refuge Center moved to our new office suite located within the Restoration Storehouse campus. This was a complicated and arduous task. She handled it with her usual grace, wisdom and strength. And we have seen the fruit that has been produced because of the move.

In the past year we have experienced steady growth in almost all the metrics that we regularly track. Within this report I hope you will see how Refuge has been blessed to serve more families than ever before in our 40 year history. More mothers have had their burden lightened, more families have been encouraged faith in the Lord, and more babies have been born to Refuge clients.

Thank you for your support in our efforts! We could not do any of this without your steadfast and generous support. I am very clear eyed about the fact that you give sacrificially to this ministry because the Lord has planted seeds in your life that are now bearing fruit for the next generation. My prayer is to continue the legacy of His love and grace that has been exemplified by strong, faithful, Christian women before me.

In His service.

Kelbie Milon
Executive Director





592 Pregnancy Tests Given

311 Ultrasounds Performed



338 Babies Born to Refuge Moms

1,025 Visits from Families

Needing Childcare Items



940 Unique Clients were

Served & Encouraged
+118 compared to 2023

2,940 Lessons Provided

to <u>140</u> New Parents

227 Parents total serve



60 Abortion Vulnerable Mothers

Chose LIFE for their Unborn Child!

88% of Refuge clients Chose Life!

And **2** Adoptions!

2024 Highlights

940 Unique/Individual Clients Served

906 Female | 34 Male 737 Christian | 203 Non-Christian 758 at or Below Poverty Level 150 Considered Low Income

1,719

Times our Clients were Prayed with, Encouraged toward Faith in Christ, or Encouraged to Attend Church.

4,813

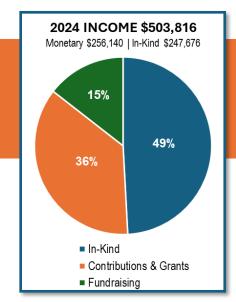
Separate incidents of correspondence occurred between Clients and Refuge Staff and Volunteers outside the scheduled appointments.

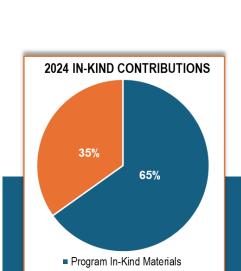
Wonderful, Selfless People Volunteered their Personal Time to this Ministry

43.728

Diapers were provided at no cost to parents needing a little help in 2024





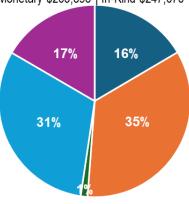


Program In-Kind Volunteers

941 individual families, churches. businesses, and organizations made financial donations in 2024. Of those, 599 donors have given multiple times this past year and provided much needed stability to the ministry's finances.

2024 EXPENSES \$513,351





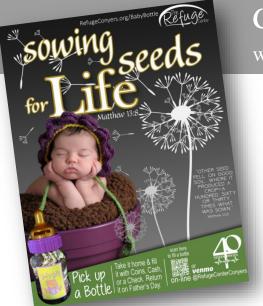
- Admin. Expenses
- Program Expenses
- Program Fundraising
- Program In-Kind Materials
- Program In-Kind Volunteers

44 wonderful, sweet spirited volunteers have provided a total of 5,159 unpaid man hours in service to the Lord's ministry in 2024. In addition, \$161,184 was donated by our neighbors, in the form of materials and supplies which went directly to bless families in need.

Services!

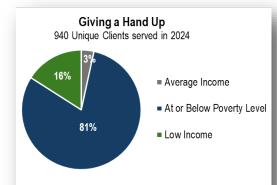


According to Guidestar.org, 65% spent on programs and services is the average among non-profits



A BIG SHOUT OUT to all of our **Baby Bottle Heroes!** So many people step up to administrate this fundraiser each year. Thank You!

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Changing LIVES with your small **CHANGE!**

The annual Baby Bottle Campaign is our main community fundraiser that we hold each year. We strive to make it as simple as possible for all who are involved. On average this fundraiser provides 25-35% percent of our operating budget each year.

The coins, bills, checks, and on-line donations literally keep our lights on and our doors open! No amount is too small or too big!

2024 BIG Numbers

Funds Raised \$65,225,04

Bottles Distributed

1.883

Churches/Orgs. Contributing

"Hove the safe space that was provided." Truly a blessing honestly felt I felt safe and secure.

SEEING God working! I could never thank you enough. **BABY!** You even prayed with me. So grateful for the help! I felt comfortable and safe at my most vulnerable time.

"The best part was knowing how my baby was going to have diapers or wipes till I got paid."

CLIENT REVIEWS • 7024



Rated 4.8 out 5 by Clients in 2024

"My visit was calm and respectful. The people were very nice and kind." Client #14399

"I love the safe space that was provided. They made everything so easy for me being that this is my first pregnancy. They offered plenty of resources and even prayed for me when I left. I would return and recommend!" Client #13546

"How could you give this place a bad review? I have never received anything but top notch advice and such. We have to thank people like this and put our pregnant hormones aside. This place really helped me and if you want a worthy source of information and help. This is the place." Verified Google Review



"Thank you for the resources and help!" Client #14015

"What I liked best about my visit was I liked the good energy in the room, and I love that I got to see my baby for the first time!"

Client #5561



"I have been tremendously blessed and encouraged by the staff at The Refuge Center. The prayers, the genuine concern for my questions, the positive and uplifting words. I am just so grateful for this community of women. God Bless you all." Client #14179

"What I liked best about my visit was I liked the good energy in the room, and I love that I got to see my baby for the first time!" Client #5561

"Every time I go there I have a great experience with the workers and can honestly feel God working in their spirit through their kindness and compassion. They are true examples of what the love of Christ personified looks like."

Client #12783

"Ladies were amazing. I felt comfortable and safe at my most vulnerable time. Thank you all." Client #13848

