



Wings of Refuge

SO LET'S NOT GET TIRED OF
DOING WHAT IS GOOD. AT JUST THE
RIGHT TIME, WE WILL REAP A

harvest of blessing

IF WE DO NOT GIVE UP.

Galatians 6:9

2024
Impact Report

We are:

A CHRIST-CENTERED
ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES
OPPORTUNITIES FOR HEALING
AND RESTORATION TO SURVIVORS
OF SEX TRAFFICKING AND
SEXUAL EXPLOITATION.

our mission:

SO EXPLOITATION ENDS
FOR ONE MORE GIRL.

our vision:

THAT EVERY SURVIVOR
WILL KNOW SHE IS VALUED,
HAS HOPE, AND IS
LOVED BY JESUS.



**RESTORATION
HOME**

She begins her
healing journey.



**SOCIAL
ENTERPRISE**

She finds purposeful
employment and saves
for her future.



**TRANSITIONAL
LIVING CENTER**

She practices her
independence.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

In Galatians 6:9, Paul encourages the Galatians to persist in doing good and not to lose heart. He reminds them that God will reward their efforts in due time.



Throughout 2024, we at Wings have frequently used the phrase “unprecedented season” as we serve more women and operate more facilities than at any previous time in our ministry’s history. Not only are we serving more women, but we are seeing them stay in the program longer and work through deeper levels of their trauma. It’s common for survivors to try various living arrangements and programs before they can settle in, trust the process, and commit to their healing journey. Despite these hurdles, we are seeing these women successfully transition from the restoration home to the transitional living center and eventually to independent living. We have joyfully celebrated these milestones with big smiles on our faces - it's working!

As we celebrate these successes, we often hear the question: Why? What’s changed? In response, I would point back to Galatians 6:9. The mission of Wings has come to bear its current harvest thanks to our founders, board, staff, volunteers, supporters, churches, and community partners through the years who have not given up. You have trusted that in due season, we will reap a harvest of blessing such as this. Our progress is the result of the time, energy, and determination of many individuals who have come before us, as well as those who continue to join the mission today.

While pursuing the mission, we’ve remained committed to best practices. Therefore, we have intentionally made program changes and improvements along the way. We continue to learn and grow together through the trials and celebrations. Healing from trauma can be messy, and there are heartbreaks and disappointments along the journey. However, as this year has reminded us, let us not grow weary in doing good, for in due season, we will reap a beautiful harvest if we do not give up.

In grace,

Brandy Young

2024 IMPACT STORIES

LET US NOT GET TIRED OF DOING GOOD:

commitment to best practices



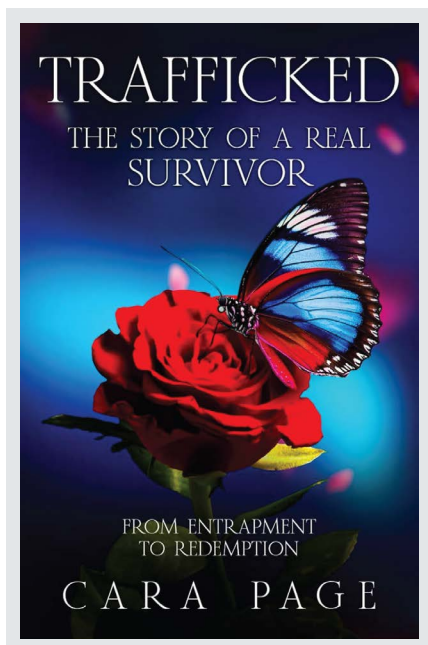
As a commitment to best practices, Wings of Refuge leadership spent time in 2024 reading Dr. Judith Herman's book "Trauma and Recovery." We used the research-based framework to update our program phases and outcomes to better tailor to the needs of survivors of complex trauma.

At the core of healing still lies the importance of recovery in the context of community, which affirms Wings' longtime relational-based ministry model. We were blessed to find an old copy of Herman's book on our bookshelves with a co-founder's contact info on the inside cover. Wings has been committed to best practices from the very beginning.

AT JUST THE RIGHT TIME:

a story of survival and recovery

A Wings of Refuge graduate has become a published author in 2024! In another unprecedented occasion, we are celebrating the restoration and reclamation of hope for a survivor who has been led to share her story with the community. Her story exemplifies that the journey of restoration is not a destination but a day-to-day walk alongside a community of support. It is not every day that we are able to provide the community with such an in-depth look at what a survivor's journey is truly like, and she felt the time was right to share her story! Find your copy of "TRAFFICKED The Story of a Real Survivor - From Entrapment to Redemption" in our storefront or on Amazon.





HARVEST OF BLESSING:

promoting purposeful employment

The community has come together to support participants in even more meaningful ways through the ONE MORE social enterprise! Participants have enjoyed making candles right here in town, assembling custom-designed cards from a local company, and stocking the storefront for shopping hours. We are grateful to work with local business partners who are committed to survivors' career development and we celebrate this harvest of blessing with you. Be sure to visit our new storefront or shop survivor-made products online!

DON'T GIVE UP:

celebrations made possible by you



We celebrated more milestones, baptisms, and program graduations in 2024 than any other year in Wings of Refuge history. Those celebrations are the obvious successes we all love to witness, yet behind every “big” celebration is the daily commitment of each survivor and her community that made it happen. One graduate expressed her gratitude to a faithful volunteer, “Thank you for working with me for so long through so many questions, tears, and hugs. Because of you, I am not afraid. Thank you for helping me take back that part of my life.” To our community of supporters, thank you for not giving up!



A HARVEST OF *blessings*

8 8 women found freedom from exploitation.

1650 1650 hours of classes at the learning center created opportunities to practice navigating trauma triggers through emotional regulation and coping strategies, exploring personal strengths, and learning life skills like financial literacy.

1465 1465 volunteer hours made restorative services possible through activities in the homes, maintenance and administrative tasks, social enterprise support, and Do What You Love community events.

404 404 counseling appointments and community support groups offered survivors safe spaces to process trauma, create meaningful connections, and conquer hurdles.

41 41 speaking events in the community reached over 3200 people to share about trafficking and advocate for support for survivors through education and awareness.

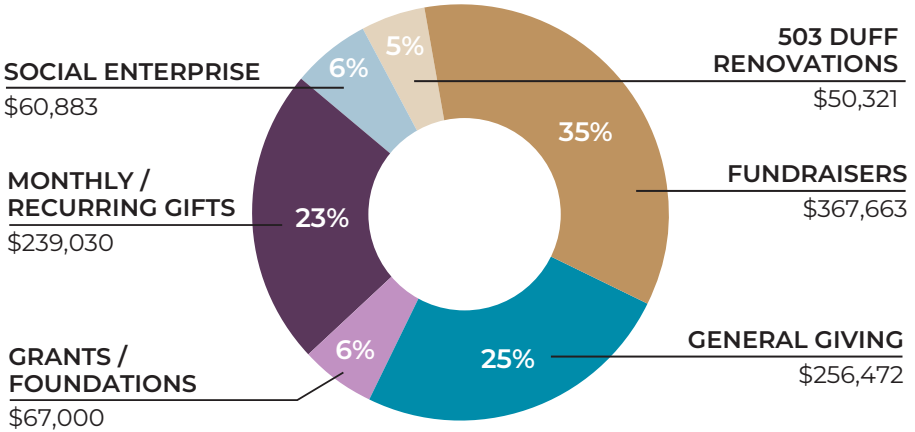
11 11 community led fundraisers were hosted Doing What They Love to Fight What They Hate.

32 32 market opportunities displaying survivor-made products from ONE MORE resulted in over \$60,000 in sales and linked the community to survivors' restoration journey.

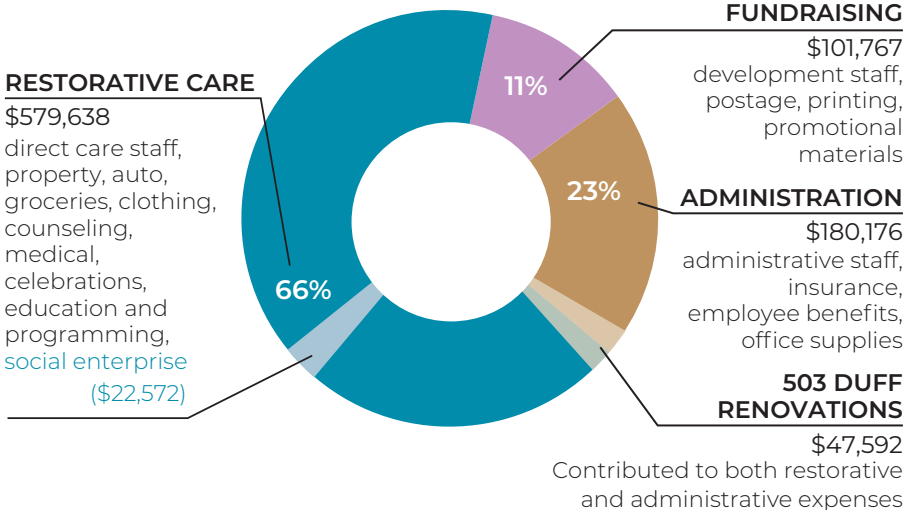
FINANCIALS

Thank you for partnering with Wings of Refuge to continue this good work of hope and healing. We praise God you helped make this unprecedented year possible!

2024 REVENUE \$1,041,369



2024 EXPENSES \$909,173



We've added this year's surplus to our reserve to replace the funds that we used to purchase the office building last year.

Monthly givers serve as consistent supporters at Wings of Refuge, sowing into sustained funding. Reaping and sowing into the good work of healing is never done. Would you consider joining the community of monthly givers to directly share in supporting hope and healing?

