

THANK YOU for Your Generosity in 2023!

We couldn't do our work without the financial partnership of generous individuals and congregations across our synod. Here's a snapshot of your support in 2023:

\$362,042
donated

1,762
total donations

765 unique
donors



Thank You to the many generous individuals who consistently support our Ministry Partners. Here are some statistics:

- 39 donors give **monthly** (funding nearly 10% of our budget)
- Our **Donor Retention** rate is 59% (national average is 44%)
- 237 households contributed each of the last **5 years** or more

Organizational Contributions of \$93,800:

- 26 **businesses** contributed to Outreach for Hope
- 112 gifts were made by **congregations** in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA

Giving Campaigns that ran throughout the year:

- Super Bowl Food Drive = \$2,495
- Lent/Easter = \$7,375
- Summer Camp Fund = \$19,133
- Family Ride Run Walk Event = \$128,290
- Clothes for the Cold = \$4,634
- End of Year Giving Appeal = \$49,428
- Corporate/Foundation donations = \$3,733
- Thrivent = \$3,992



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Who We Are

For more than 28 years, Outreach for Hope has provided grant support to ELCA congregations and ministries that walk with low-income communities in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA. We also organize seasonal supply drives such as our Super Bowl food drive, "Clothes for the Cold," and, most importantly, the partnership opportunities between our Ministry Partners and other churches in our synod.



January 2024 Ministry Partner Summit

Ways to Give

- One-time and sustaining donations (online, cash or check)
- Bequest, will, or estate designations
- IRA Qualified Charitable Distributions and stock gifts
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- **Congregations:** Special service offerings and endowment gifts

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Invite OFH to your congregation!

Email Pr. Chris at chris@outreachforhope.org to book him to preach and teach for your next pulpit supply or adult forum! He would also be happy to come speak with one of your congregation's groups.



2023 Gifts - Our Ministry Partners' Impact

Your gifts funded **20 life-giving OFH Ministry Partner grants** which **helped thousands of people** across our synod! Here are some of their 2023 ministry highlights...

- **Grace Welcome Center** in Kenosha served 14,758 people last year through their food pantry program.
- The food pantry and garden at **All Peoples Gathering Church** in Milwaukee served thousands of guests in 2023.
- **Lutheran Church of the Great Spirit**, an Indigenous congregation in Milwaukee, called a full-time pastor.
- The **ELCA Outreach Center** in Kenosha grew in the last six months - from 60 people served per day, to over 100.
- Each weekday, **Racine Hospitality Center** helped draw 150 marginalized people into the community with food, shelter, support, and radical hospitality.
- At **Village Church** in Milwaukee, OFH funded an intern minister, and supported the Power Shift ministry late at night on Fridays - where community members can find someone to talk, pray and enjoy a cup of coffee with, take time to ponder, and then go home safely.
- **Racine Vocational Ministry** served as a bridge for those trying to reintegrate into society, by helping over 200 people acquire new jobs.



- **Hephatha** in Milwaukee strengthened our community this year by enjoying, sharing, and eating 1,000 meals on-site with people during **one** fabulous week of December - and by sharing the body of Christ in the sacrament of Holy Communion throughout the year with all who came to the table of the Lord. Thanks be to God!
- **Reformation** in Milwaukee built meaningful connections with 75 youth from our community, through their Summer Work Program and weekly Wednesday evening faith education.
- **Emaus Racine's SALT Youth (Serving and Learning Together)** collaborated with the city of Racine in the "Rock the Block" initiative to clean up underserved neighborhoods and foster neighborhood pride.

2023 Family Ride Run Walk

This past September, 660 registrants, 373 households, and 97 volunteers gathered for our largest annual fundraiser. Together, we raised \$128,290 for our Ministry Partner grants. **THANK YOU!**



SAVE THE DATE - 2024 Family Ride Run Walk
Saturday, September 21 | OFHRRW.org

Thank You to Our 26 Corporate Sponsors!

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