



tree of life

MINISTRIES

Annual Report 2025



FOOD

LIFESKILLS

SHELTER

HEALTHCARE

RELIEF

Clothing the Closet

SIMPLYBe
-coffee-

Welcome Message

As 2025 has come to a close, it is humbling to reflect on a year that brought a renewed vision for continual growth. Throughout the year, we saw moments, stories, and impacts that translate into real people and real lives across [Tree of Life](#), [The Clothing Closet](#), and [SimplyBe Coffee](#). The mission of Matthew 25 was brought to life through our dedicated volunteers, donors, and staff. Time and time again, God faithfully provided as He always has - thanks to your generous giving. This was evident in the total income donated in 2025 - \$3.61m (cash and in-kind donations) with expenses at \$3.46m.

CORE VALUES: Jesus Christ is Foremost • Prayer and the Word of God are Foundational
Compassion is Fundamental • Relationship is for All • Community is our Frontline

Our annual budget continues to increase year over year to \$2.69m for fiscal year 2026, which speaks to God's blessings over our growth since the birth of Tree of Life in 2008. We continue to operate our 5-Branch model through our now 3 geographical Regions - Eastern Loudoun, Western Loudoun and Piedmont Regions - Transitional Housing for families and individuals with disabilities, focus on Spiritual Care, and our Gospel Enterprises: The Clothing Closet and SimplyBe Coffee.

As you take a moment to read and view a few snapshots of the past year through stories and pictures, please remember to lift us up in prayer as we seek to offer our neighbors and community in need 'a hand up, not just a hand out.'

Matthew 25:35-40

"I was hungry, and you gave me food... I was thirsty, and you gave me drink...I needed clothes and you clothed me...I was in prison and you came to me...Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."

Thank you to each of you for joining us on this journey. I consider it an honor and a privilege to serve alongside you as we reach out to the poor and needy in our community with the love of Jesus Christ. To God be all the praise and glory.

"I have come that you may have life and have it to the full."

John 10:10

May God Bless You,

Susannah Lee

CEO, Tree of Life Ministries



Spiritual Care

Our purpose is to provide Spiritual Care to all whom God puts in our path, through PRAYER, following up with CARE, and going out to SHARE the Good News of Jesus with the community.

OUR PRAYER & CARE TEAM assisted in 752 prayer requests, including following up with those going through life struggles.

"In the process of getting help, I received a beautiful prayer from Erin. It was everything I needed to hear and that was enough help for me. My gratitude and spirit has been lifted. I am grateful for her support!"

"I'm deeply grateful for your prayers. They mean more to me than words can fully express."

OUR SHARE TEAM blessed over 100 Nursing Home residents and 20 individuals with disabilities monthly through Bible studies. Weekly, our Share Team held Bible studies with local Senior Adults and conducted visits and Bible studies at the county jail, impacting 268.



OVER 1,000 INDIVIDUALS HEARD THE GOSPEL IN 2025!

"I know I'm not gonna be here for much longer and thank you so much for sharing Jesus with me." (Spoken by a partner as she prayed to receive Jesus)

FRUIT FROM THE TREE OF LIFE DEVOTIONALS: Chaplain Wayne also distributed devotionals to 363 people during Advent and Lenten, with over 24,600 impacts.

"Thank you for bringing Scripture alive and being on point with the content and prayer. To God be the glory!"

You can sign up for future devotionals by sending an email to wruckman@tolministries.org.



15,027

FOOD IMPACTS

131,727 lbs

Food provided to families through **deliveries** and **Boxes of Blessings**

10,059

Community Dinner meals

271

Thanksgiving meals



BOXES OF BLESSINGS

COMMUNITY DINNER

FOOD PANTRY

THANKSGIVING TOGETHER

FOOD BRANCH

“I was hungry, and you gave me food...”

Matthew 25:35

“I got with Tree of Life years ago when I was raising grandchildren and nieces. They use to come bring us food when we needed things helped us with our house.... Just a great organization. I am now much older but in another situation of raising 7 grandchildren which for years have been told I don't qualify for SNAP so I call Tree of Life to help us and they always do till this day. THEY ARE A SAVIOR TO ME. I Thank GOD for them all.” (Anonymous Partner)

“It's becoming increasingly difficult to put food on the table due to the high cost of living, but through this organization, I find comfort in knowing that every time I receive your help, there will be more food on the table and happy faces. Thank God.” (Anonymous Partner)

“Tree of Life has assisted in many aspects of my life over the last 10 years. The food delivery service has been a lifesaver without a car or transportation to go to other food pantries.” (Anonymous Partner)



454
LIFESKILLS IMPACTS

165
ESOL attendances

20
Faith and Finance Class
attendees

22
Work Heartily placements

41
Students received advocacy
support at public schools



ADVOCACY ENGLISH CLASSES FINANCIAL COACHING WORKFORCE CONNECTIONS WORK HEARTILY

LIFESKILLS BRANCH

“I was a stranger and you welcomed me...”

Matthew 25:35

“A student shared that their favorite part [of the Faith and Finance Class] was feeling less alone ... they got to hear about other people's financial struggles and felt connected to a group of people who were all in the same boat.” (Volunteer)

“I can't thank you enough Mr. Richie. The class has been going really well. Thank you again for all your help. God bless you!!!” (Anonymous Partner)

“This advocacy program made all the difference. Cindy worked tirelessly to attend every meeting with us, look over proposed IEPs, give feedback and suggestions, meet with us separately to discuss strategies and ideas and in general, talk this mom off of a ledge.... [they] helped me navigate this so I could balance the emotions I was feeling while keeping in mind our goal of getting the best services available to our daughter.” (Anonymous Partner)



2,307
SHELTER IMPACTS

711
Received free clothing
at events

430
Backpacks filled with
school supplies

8
Working Hands projects

See later pages for the Clothing Closet
and Transitional Housing impacts.

SHELTER BRANCH

“I was a stranger, and you welcomed me...”

Matthew 25:35

“TOL rescued my baby son and me from sudden homelessness, provided a community and support system that carried me through incredible challenges of adversity, parenting struggles, and confronting mental health fears. Because of TOL’s patience, prayer and caring, we have a success story that most would not believe.” (Anonymous Partner)

“Tree of life has been an enormous blessing to our family! We have received seasonal clothes and coats/winter gear, from the Clothing Closet and backpacks and school supplies annual back-to-school giveaway, monthly grocery assistance which has kept our children fed, and Christmas gifts for our little girls. We also received emergency utility assistance a few years ago to keep our electricity on when we were drowning in medical bills after my daughter’s hospitalization. As a mother, I cannot overemphasize how truly grateful we are to Tree of Life for being the hands of feet of Jesus to provide for our family and our children in the midst of financial hardship. You are continually in our prayers!” (Anonymous Partner)



84
HEALTHCARE
IMPACTS

30
Dental Clinic attendees

54
Received healthcare at our
Annual Giveaway or
through medical vouchers



DENTAL CLINICS

HEALTH EDUCATION

HEALTH SUPPLIES

VOUCHERS

HEALTHCARE BRANCH

“I was sick, and you visited me...”

Matthew 25:36

“At our Dental Clinic, many of the partners were overjoyed that we were able to connect them with a dentist willing to complete the original amazing assessment that Dr.Coe provided. They were grateful that their child had cavities filled or other procedures and they did not have to worry about that.” (Eastern Loudoun Regional Director)

“A partner receiving grocery deliveries shared with volunteers that she felt overwhelmed by the condition of her basement. They connected her with our Working Hands ministry, which gathered volunteers to clean and restore the space. While serving her, volunteers noticed a painful eye infection she had been unable to treat. Through our Healthcare ministry, she received a voucher to see an optometrist, and Day Break volunteers provided transportation. By working together across ministries, we were able to meet her practical and healthcare needs.” (Western Loudoun Regional Director)



4,149
RELIEF IMPACTS

259
Received financial assistance

1,307
Still Waters event
attendances

1,779
Day Break attendances

350
Christmas gifts distributed



COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

DAY BREAK

RELIEF FUND

STILL WATERS

RELIEF BRANCH

“I was in prison, and you came to me...”

Matthew 25:36

“The Tree of Life has truly been a blessing from God. For over 13 years, every time my family and I needed help—especially since I developed my chronic illness—they have always been there for us. I can never thank Mr. Richard Soltas enough for his unwavering support and kindness throughout the years.” (Anonymous Partner)

“I am totally grateful for all the support you have given me. You have prayed for me and my family. You have brought food and given Christmas presents to my children. Everyone is very kind and helpful. They have given me Bibles.” (Anonymous Partner)

“[My daughter] has also attended Still Waters since middle school and absolutely loved being a part of this wonderful program. Still Waters has been a blessing to not only students but their parents. We can’t say enough about the impact this has had on our lives.”
(Anonymous Partner)

*“I needed clothes,
and you clothed me...”*

Matthew 25:36

the Clothing Closet

The Clothing Closet remains a vital resource for local families, ensuring access to quality clothing with **dignity and care**. Through our voucher program and affordable pricing, individuals and families can find what they need throughout the year—whether during seasons of hardship or transition.

We are also honored to serve as an inclusive workplace, providing meaningful work for individuals with disabilities, both directly and through work-transition partnerships.

“A mother of 12 came in to shop for five of her children. When I rang her up and told her there was no charge, she realized for the first time that the voucher meant the clothing was free. She was overwhelmed with gratitude and asked if she could give me a hug. She later returned to make a small donation, simply to say thank you.”



413 Individuals
received free
clothing

\$70 Average
cost per person
per clothing
voucher

38,487 lbs
clothing
donated



*"I praise you because I am
fearfully and wonderfully made!"*

Psalm 139:14

16 Employees

Direct staff and through partnership with ECHO

15 Volunteers

12 CAST

High school work transition students

22 Events

Community events to help raise awareness of the coffee shop and support families

SimplyBe Coffee continues to expand its impact by creating meaningful employment opportunities within our community. Through our Leesburg location, **more individuals were able to gain valuable work experience** in a supportive, inclusive environment.

With the opening of our Purcellville café, we look ahead with excitement, anticipating increased opportunities, deeper community connections, and a growing reach that allows us to serve even more individuals and families.



*"[My daughter] loves working at SimplyBe. She is so proud to be a barista and a baker. She loves the interaction with the customers. The supervisory staff is very kind, helpful, and understanding. Her life has become **significantly enriched** through her SimplyBe experience."*

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

26 Individuals

provided housing including families, single women, and individuals with disabilities

8 Homes

provided shelter

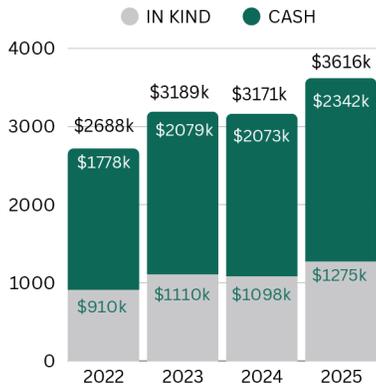
419 Hours

of one-on-one mentoring

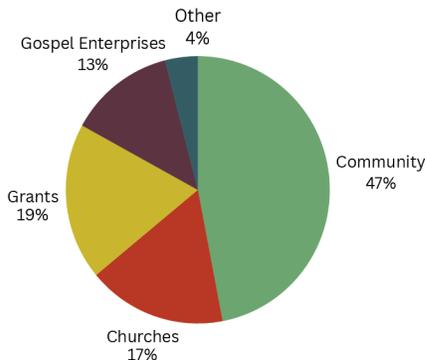


"I think this program – it's the step between being successful and being on the street. This program has helped me build a life for [my child] and it's really put us in the situations where we can get on our feet. It's just been that push, that motivation to where we can actually do something and we don't feel as hopeless... it's given us hope." (Housing Partner)

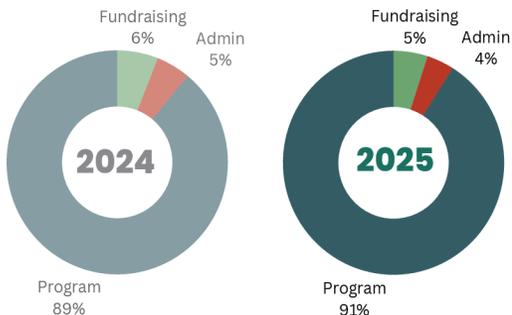
HOW WE RECEIVE FUNDS



Cash Donation Sources



HOW WE SPEND FUNDS



The financial information is preliminary and subject to revision following an annual audit. Tree of Life undertakes a yearly audit and is affiliated with Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA).





Reaching out to the poor and needy in our
community with the love of Jesus Christ.



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