



A YEAR OF GRACE

2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Friends,

We all want to be heard. At Grace at the Green Light, **we listen.**

The simple act of listening to our unhoused sisters and brothers does so much. It calms their anxieties, affirms their value & self-worth, and builds trust that lays the foundation for positive change.



Our small team at Grace is dedicated to serving their basic needs with kindness and compassion. When we can't, we refer them to our partners who can.

In addition to providing food, clothing, water, and community – now in our 11th year of ministry – we've begun offering regular AA meetings and medical help. We've listened to our community, and we're committed to adding whatever services are needed.

While listening is important, nothing is more essential than simply showing up.

Will you come volunteer with us? Show up any morning at 6:15 am at 400 North Rampart Street, and you will be done by 7:30 am. **It will change your life.**

Peace and love,

Chris Beary

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Founder & Board Chair



Louisiana First Lady Sharon Landry, joined by our partners at Healthy Blue Louisiana.

A LASTING IMPACT



Grace at the Green Light is the only local organization that offers intensive case management and nutritional support - 365 days per year - for those not staying overnight in local shelters.

Since 2014, we have greatly expanded our services to address the most dire needs of our community's growing unhoused population, with a focus on three signature programs:

MEALS WITH LOVE

Served **450,000**
nutritious meals

Distributed **75,000**
articles of clothing

GOING HOME

Reunited **3,600** individuals
with safe & stable family

Fewer than **7%** back on the streets
after three months of follow up

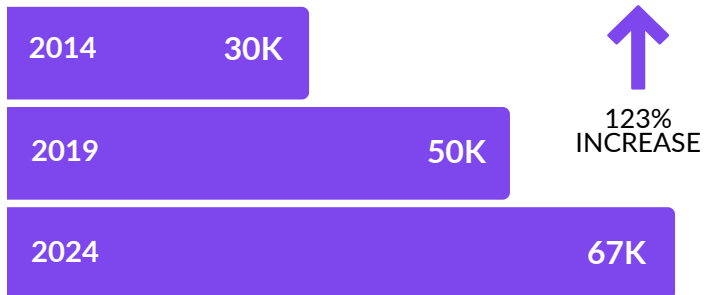
HYDRATE NOLA

Provided **1.3 million**
bottles of water

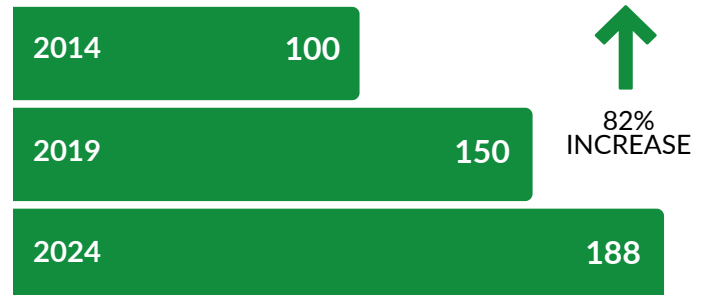
Constructed **16** water fountains
(with **3** more underway)

We have also coordinated a number of meaningful experiences to lift spirits and foster community engagement, like our annual "Fest for the Unhoused" and trips to both Jazz Fest & NOLA Funk Fest.

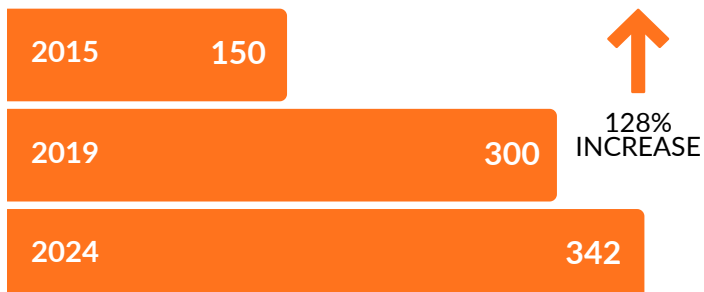
MEALS SERVED (ANNUAL)



AVERAGE DAILY CLIENTS



REUNIFICATIONS (ANNUAL)



HYDRATE NOLA FOUNTAINS (TOTAL)



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When stability unravelled following a difficult divorce, “R” faced the heartbreaking reality of homelessness with her two young children. Our team covered the family’s travel costs, provided food for the journey, and offered resources to reunite them with extended family. Her daughter’s gratitude at the bus station brought tears to our eyes.

“Thank you for giving my family a new start.”

At 74 years old, “J” found himself alone as he began experiencing signs of dementia. Battling anxiety, he had left his assisted living facility in New York and boarded a bus for New Orleans. For two months, he felt lost and forgotten in a shelter... unable to remember who to call for help. Our team didn’t give up until he was back home, safe and sound.



“You made me feel seen. This was a miracle.”



After 12 years incarcerated and 7 years unhoused, “K” was turning his life around when tragedy struck. As he prepared to board our annual bus trip to Jazz Fest, a passing truck crushed both of his kneecaps. Less than a year later, he walked the entire Crescent City Classic. To top it off, he recently got the keys to his very own apartment.

“I just finished a 10K... I can do anything”

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

To our many volunteers, donors, sponsors, and partners: **Thank you.** We can never say it enough.
Without your Gift of Grace, our work would not be possible.

Special thanks to the following major contributors over the last year, who have truly gone above and beyond to help those in our community who need it most:

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St. Anna’s Episcopal Church
St. Jude Community Center
Start Corporation
Unity of Greater New Orleans
Vintage Church
Westview Baptist Church

2024: BY THE NUMBERS



MEALS
SERVED

66,443



FAMILY
REUNIFICATIONS

342



CLOTHING
DISTRIBUTED

25,100
items

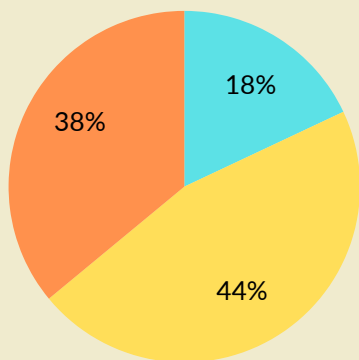


SERVICE
REFERRALS

3,100

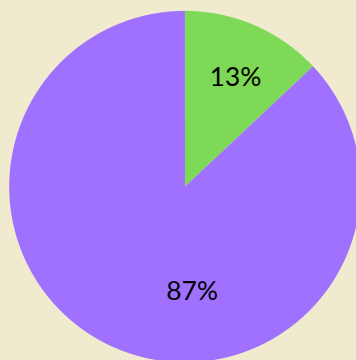
● Individuals ● Corps. & Foundations
● Government

● Administrative & Fundraising
● Programs & Services



INCOME

*excludes in-kind & appreciation



EXPENSES

2024 REVENUE:

\$659,158

25%



INCREASE IN CLIENTS UPON
MOVING TO NEW LOCATION

1 per
day



AVERAGE "GOING HOME"
FAMILY REUNIFICATIONS

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