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"SOMETIMES IN THE  
MORNING I GET A BIG MUG  
OF COFFEE AND WATCH  
HOPE VENTURE VIDEOS...  
WOW!! YOU GUYS ARE DOING  
AMAZING, WONDERFUL  
STUFF!!"

-BRYON // DONOR



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## Letter from the Director

Thank you for another amazing year with The Hope Venture. As I reflect back I'm in awe, yet again, at God's faithfulness to us. He is choosing to use us to love the most disadvantaged people in the world, which of course is our desire, but to see it happening is quite another thing.

It's not easy. I watch all the hard work that keeps this machine moving.

I see our partners stepping into new needs and going deeper with the old needs.

I see our staff and interns here growing in their walks with God, trusting Him more, resting in His love more, and then tackling more and more work with innovation, determination, and yet peace and kindness.

I see donors, new and old, jumping into this wild ride with joy and leaps of faith.

This is a generous and loving adventure that God didn't have to do, and yet He does. So thank you! Be encouraged! For yet another year, we've grown and gotten better. We continue to fall on our knees before our Beloved Father, and to the best of our ability we've represented His care and compassion for the orphan, the poor and needy, the blind, the sick, the hurting.

Well done, friends. Well done.



**CYNCI PETERSEN**  
Executive Director



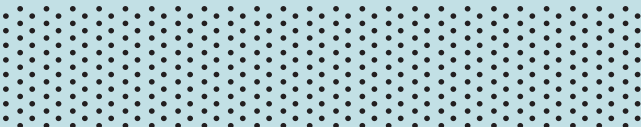
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Our Purpose



WE'RE ON AN  
ADVENTURE TO BRING

**HOPE  
AND  
DIGNITY**

TO THE MOST DISADVANTAGED  
PEOPLE IN THE WORLD.





# 2022 Numbers

AT A GLANCE



PEOPLE IMPACTED OVERSEAS

20,460+

TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED

\$1,312,677

TOTAL DONORS

1,570





# Where We Work

OUR PROJECTS AROUND THE WORLD



## BENIN

Total Projects: 1  
Total People Impacted: 50  
Total Given: \$0.00

## BANGLADESH

Total Projects: 1  
Total People Impacted: 200  
Total Given: \$0.00

## INDIA

Total Projects: 12  
Total People Impacted: 10,572  
Total Given: \$288,186.90

## KENYA

Total Projects: 9  
Total People Impacted: 9,939  
Total Given: \$324,707.47

## UGANDA

Total Projects: 4  
Total People Impacted: 1,569  
Total Given: \$13,448.00

## RWANDA

Total Projects: 1  
Total People Impacted: 6  
Total Given: \$0.00



"THANK YOU SO MUCH  
FOR BEING A TOOL FOR  
TRANSFORMATION OF MANY  
LIVES IN MATHARE (KENYA)  
AND MANY OTHER PARTS  
OF THE WORLD. YOU HAVE  
BROUGHT JOY AND HOPE  
TO MANY FAMILIES, THUS,  
COMMUNITIES AT LARGE.  
MAY OUR GOOD LORD BLESS  
AND UPLIFT YOU IN MANY  
WAYS. THANK YOU!"

-FANUEL // PARTNER

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# Projects





# Letter from our Project Manager

The word that comes to mind for this past year is *progress*. In 2022 the Projects Lane worked towards getting project plans for all projects receiving funding. With the amazing help of our partners, who provided vital input, we now have that accomplished. This gives us shared knowledge on what we hope to accomplish and how success will be defined and prayerfully achieved. It is exciting to have come together with our dear partners and have a defined and unified vision for our work together. We look forward to seeing the impact of this for years to come.

In a wider sense, progress is being made towards eliminating extreme poverty, but it is a slow trek forward. The World Bank believes that in 2021 extreme poverty started to decline after the spike in 2020 and that it was likely to have also decreased in 2022 but at a slow rate. We are grateful that extreme poverty is starting to decrease again after the spike due to the impact of COVID-19. Nevertheless, the need remains great, and we want to hear of more lives being changed. We hope you continue to join alongside us and our partners to impact more lives like Thulasi who gets food at a feeding center in India.

Thank you!



**JAMES PEREGRINE**  
Project Manager







Photos by: Rachel Meyer

## Thulasi

FEATURE STORY



### A LEGACY THAT INSPIRES

It was raining when we arrived. We wound through a few roads where there were some simple cement homes, nothing fancy. We got out and walked down an alley. Our partner took a right, and I wasn't sure exactly where since much of it looked the same. I got about to where he had been and looked into a small door frame of a home inquisitively, as if to say, is this where my friend just went? A woman giggled at me and motioned to the next house. I went there but had the same hesitation, is this the one? And up the steps someone motioned me forward excitedly. Yes! This way! Come. Come.

Up the steps and around the corner opened to a small room where some food was cooking. Past that was another room with lots of children... boys sitting on the floor on one side and girls on the other and a tutor behind them all. They stood and cheered. "Welcome ma'am." "Hello." "Welcome." "Sit." "Sit."

They were excited to see us. They had a presentation prepared for us and wanted to get right to it. A handful of us had just arrived, some for the first time to India, and all of a sudden children were quickly saying all the things they had prepared.

"Hello, I am Thulasi. Welcome to Kurumbar Padi. I have two brothers and one sister." Or did she say one brother and one sister? And did she say something else in between there? Some people were still sitting down. Our eyes and ears and hearts were still adjusting

to the setting we were in. "And what is your dream?" someone asked. "To be an artist. I want to be an artist like my father."

The next one started. Then the next. And we got to the boys. And they said theirs. And then one boy stood up and added, "I like to draw. I would like to be an artist."

Someone pointed back to the first girl, Thulasi. Yes, they are brother and sister. They







drew these pictures on the wall. Wow, those are beautiful.

The program went on. Each one sharing. Then a skit... it turned out to be the Good Samaritan, which seems to be a great skit and lesson in any language. The kids enjoyed pretending to beat up their friend, then ignore him, then help him. Giggles and mistakes and the caring ending.

Then there were dances and speeches, and there was Thulasi again, the girl from the beginning, standing up strong and brave to give the longest speech yet. It was about giving dignity to both girls and boys, an appeal to educate both men and women, a reflection on the lack of opportunity women can face in India.

And she's right. She's only maybe 15 years old, but she sees the disparity. She wants a chance, for herself and for all girls. And she was proudly declaring it in both her speech and in her demeanor. She knew her own dignity.

I wondered where her confidence came from. Many in poverty struggle, feeling less than, feeling not as valuable, feeling shame. It's not true. We all have value and dignity, but we might not know it. That's partly why The Hope Venture exists. In Thulasi's village

we run a feeding center and tutor the kids after school to give them some extra help. We want them to have a chance like everyone else. We want them to find hope and love.



We want them to have the opportunity to rise above. Many are orphans or have been rejected by their dads, and most can barely afford food let alone school supplies. So life is tough, and shame and heartbreak are often the norm.

But Thulasi was different. She was so strong, such a leader. And I'd like to tell you it was because of our center in her village. But our center is pretty new, and she's had this strength for awhile. She was contagiously spreading it to the kids at our center, but her strength didn't come from us. Even God, who I believe she loves, is not the only answer to her hope and strength. No, God had provided someone else to teach her this, if even for a short time. It began to make sense as soon as I saw her home.

She lived right across from the feeding center. She held my hand and urged me to come, pulling me and smiling. "Please, ma'am, come." I stepped down a narrow passageway, tucked my head down to avoid what was hanging, then turned the corner. Already the garden with mangoes and roses told a different story than the rainy, dreary day I was in. I took my shoes off and one more step into the house now, and ahhhhh. The love. The beauty. The drawings on the wall. The fish tank—I don't see many of those here. Then the photo frame of a man. I met her mom and brothers and sister and cousins and then was told that "yes, this was my father, he died six years ago. He was an artist." The drawings on the wall were partly his but partly the kids' as well.

Legacy. Love. Leadership. Thulasi had a dad who loved her, who inspired her, who was her hero. And it made all the difference in her life. She wanted to be just like him, follow in his footsteps. Draw like him. Draw for him. Carry on his honor.

It was refreshing to find in a village of extreme poverty a man who had not abandoned, not neglected, not rejected... and to find a daughter who was strong and



confident, who knew who she was and who she wanted to be, who was leading her peers to do the same, and who was even advocating to the adults to hear their voices, to honor their dreams.

A moment for me that started with rain and muddy steps and narrow passageways opened up to dreams and beauty and hope. May Thulasi have what she needs to carry her banner far and wide. May we grant her the respect she deserves. May her dad somehow even rest in peace, knowing his legacy lives on and his love mattered.

*Written by: Cynci Petersen*



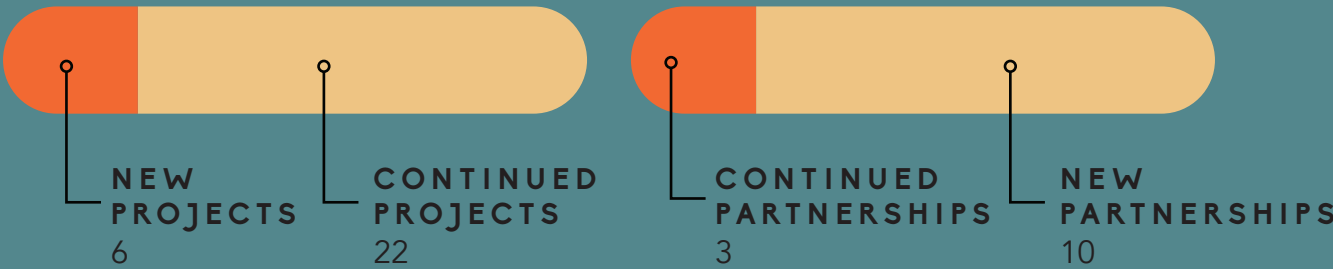
# Projects

2022 OVERVIEW

TOTAL PROJECTS

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DONOR RETENTION



PROJECT PLANS

Over the past three years we have really been working to expand our project capacity. In doing that, we saw the need to have clearer documentation of each project, so we started creating project plans. These plans are a single source of truth where we can align with our partners on the vision and details of the project. Last year we were able to implement 6 plans. This year we set our Wildy Important Goal to finish all of our projects and document \$1,000,000 worth of needs—and we did!

PLANS COMPLETED IN 2021



PLANS COMPLETED IN 2022



# Projects

2022 BREAKDOWN

## SOUTH INDIA BACKPACKS

Total Given: \$61,768.20  
People Impacted: 7,000



## BANGLADESH BACKPACKS

Total Given: \$3,129.41  
People Impacted: 200



## BENIN BACKPACKS

Total Given: \$1,525.15  
People Impacted: 50



## HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Total Given: \$3,280  
People Impacted: 50



## RWANDA COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Total Given: \$6,875  
People Impacted: 6



## NAROK STUDENT SPONSORSHIP

Total Given: \$282,501.39  
People Impacted: 354



## MATHARE STUDENT SPONSORSHIP

Total Given: \$14,836.71  
People Impacted: 20



## TURKANA STUDENT SPONSORSHIP

Total Given: \$17,090.93  
People Impacted: 20



## MATHARE HURUMA SCHOLARSHIPS

Total Given: \$7,989.73  
People Impacted: 55



## KENYA COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Total Given: \$49,961.66  
People Impacted: 117



## SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MOMS

Total Given: \$1,977.74  
People Impacted: 10



1 person icon = 20 People



# Projects

2022 BREAKDOWN (CONTINUED)

AGROMAX

Total Given: \$3,398.26  
People Impacted: 25



SOUTH INDIA COMPUTERS AND TAILORING

Total Given: \$12,179.73  
People Impacted: 131



GOPIKANDER SCHOOL

Total Given: \$0.00  
People Impacted: 34



MT. SINAI SCHOOL

Total Given: \$0.00  
People Impacted: 231



JAWADHU HILLS

Total Given: \$37,874.48  
People Impacted: 456



MAMA KITS

Total Given: \$419.00  
People Impacted: 1,484



MEDICAL KITS

Total Given: \$2,700.00  
People Impacted: 145



INDIA FEEDING CENTERS

Total Given: \$27,661.76  
People Impacted: 416



KENYA AGRICULTURE

Total Given: \$6,088.84  
People Impacted: 210



GOATS

Total Given: \$20,649.46  
People Impacted: 733



TURKANA COVID RELIEF

Total Given: \$2,978.45  
People Impacted: 1,120



EAST INDIA WELLS

Total Given: \$0.00  
People Impacted: 220



SOUTH INDIA WELLS

Total Given: \$0.00  
People Impacted: 850



KENYA WATER AND SANITATION

Total Given: \$5,074.71  
People Impacted: 8,724



HOME OF HOPE

Total Given: \$102,000.00  
People Impacted: 800



JACK NORMAN CENTERS

Total Given: \$0.00  
People Impacted: 973



## A Deeper Look into One Life that Was Impacted



### WINNIE'S STORY

Steam rises in slow waves, swirling into the air from the plate set down in front of you. You feel the warmth from the food pressing into your face as you gaze down. You inhale the aroma of the freshly battered fried chicken. Shifting your eyes to the kitchen, you see a young girl, smiling and dancing as she stirs a pot of vegetables. As she plates the food and hands it to the hungry dinner guests, it's as if the plate is screaming "I love you" to each guest from the cook herself.

Cooking is what Winnie loves to do. She loves learning about cooking at school, but she didn't always have access to an education. She lives in a slum called Mathare in Nairobi, Kenya. Her family didn't have enough money to provide school fees for Winnie. At only 15 years old—living in the slums with no access to education—Winnie seemed destined for a life in the slums.

But what a surprise it was to Winnie when she heard the news that she had received a scholarship to go to school! She now is working hard to achieve her dream of becoming a professional chef one day.

*Written by: Carrie Wehrman*

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"THE HOPE VENTURE IS A  
GLOBAL FAMILY OF CRAZY,  
FUN PEOPLE THAT WILL RUN  
FOR HOPE, DONATE MONEY  
FOR HOPE, GET PIED IN THE  
FACE FOR HOPE, SHAVE  
THEIR HEADS FOR HOPE, AND  
I LIKE TO BE A PART OF THAT  
FAMILY!"

-KALE // DONOR



# Local







## Letter from our Marketing Director

Fun Generosity.

"What is our passion?" As an organization, we've wrestled with that over the years. It can feel like so many things: bringing the true hope of Jesus to people who need it most, providing education and health for those in extreme poverty, empowering local leaders to make the impact they've always dreamed of. However, for us, one thing keeps coming back to the surface: fun generosity.

While we care deeply about addressing global issues and bringing Christ to those who've never met him, it's always been about rallying a team to do that. It's not a solo mission or a burden for us to bear alone. My mom founded this organization when I was a freshman in high school, and from day one she has championed the message of living and loving generously. She inspired people to care about others and to share their resources, time, abilities—their lives. She inspired me. She inspired us.

Since then, we've been working every year to bring more people onto the team. To invite people into the fun adventure of sharing life with others. And this year, we saw you all champion that beyond us. We saw families rally around making lasting impact together. We were inspired by local churches and businesses who spread this generosity to new audiences. We watched as roommates danced their hearts out after raising thousands of dollars together. And we saw kids like Callie use their talents to multiply their generosity.

We are passionate about fun generosity. About people joyfully sharing their lives with each other. This year you've shown us that you are too. Thanks for joining the adventure.



**JOSH PETERSEN**  
Marketing Director







# Callie

FEATURE STORY



## FROM BAKING CAKES TO BUILDING FUTURES

The room was full. Music was playing. People were dressed to the nines and... pouring concrete?

That's right. It was A Night for Hope 2022. But let me back up.

A Night for Hope is The Hope Venture's biggest and best fundraising event of the year. It takes place every October, but we start dreaming and scheming for it in January. We choose one project we want to impact. Like... really impact. We talk with our partners. We plan trips to gather media. We create an entire concept and bring the experience to the people of Lincoln and say, "This is who we are. This is what we do. Here's what we want to accomplish—tonight. Together. Will you join us?" We've seen tens of thousands of dollars raised in minutes. Hearts have been changed. Relationships formed. It's a special room to be in, trust me.

This year we were raising money to build a nursing college in Bengaluru, India. The vision of the college was to train up the next generation of medical staff and then provide an employment pipeline to staff the Home of Hope—a homeless shelter in Bengaluru that houses and cares for Bengaluru's abandoned homeless population. We raised over 173k that night and every single attendee got to







pour a small packet of concrete into a glass pillar to symbolize what we were building together.

Landon, HV's Development Coordinator and hazelnut latte connoisseur, was helping guests with the pouring process when donor and guest Lori Allmand leaned over in line and told him, "Callie might be the youngest donor here tonight. She just donated all the money from her cake sale to the nursing college!"



Callie is Lori and Matt Allmand's eighth-grade daughter, and she has her own cake decorating business: Callie's Cakes. Callie is an artist at heart. Whether it be sewing a Pocahontas costume from old tshirts or piping flower petals with frosting, she creates beauty wherever she goes.



The morning of A Night for Hope, Callie had her biggest cake sale yet. Excited and proud, Callie's parents talked with her about whether she wanted to give or tithe some of the money she earned. She thought about it, then responded that she wanted to give it all to The Hope Venture that night!

Whether you're a broke college student, a retired hotel owner, a toothless third grader, or an eighth grade cake-maker, we believe anyone can make a difference. When Landon told the rest of us about Callie's story, our hearts were touched. That's exactly the kind of stuff we get pumped about and want to champion across our entire donor base! Here Callie was, doing what she could with the resources she had in a moment of opportunity. She stepped in and got to experience the joy of doing something bigger than herself and help people across the world! She wasn't too young, the amount she had wasn't too little, and the difference she made was real. May we all be inspired by Callie and use our talents and resources to create a positive change in this world. Let's practice real love for those who need it most.

*Written by: Carli Huston*



# Donors

2022 OVERVIEW

TOTAL DONORS IN 2022

1,570

## DONOR RETENTION



## BACKBONE DONORS

252

## CHARLIES (ADVOCATES)

129



"HOW CAN YOU NOT GIVE BACK?  
THESE KIDS ARE AT A CROSSROADS  
IN THEIR LIVES AND AN EDUCATION  
CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE."

-MARGARET // DONOR

# Events/Campaigns

2022 BREAKDOWN

## RUN FOR HOPE

Total Raised: \$49,646.69

👤 Total Runners: 512

👤 New Donors: 206



## EXTEND THE TABLE

Total Raised: \$20,345.92

👤 Total Donors: 64

👤 New Donors: 14



## ROOMIEPALOOZA

Total Raised: \$21,655.00

👤 Total Donors: 289

👤 New Donors: 127



## A NIGHT FOR HOPE

Total Raised: \$171,967.11

👤 Total Attendees: 346

👤 New Donors: 100





## Staff

THE FACES IN OUR US OFFICE



**CYNCI  
PETERSEN**  
Executive Director



**JOSH  
PETERSEN**  
Marketing Director



**JAMES  
PEREGRINE**  
Project Manager



**CARLI  
HUSTON**  
Head of Mass Marketing



**PHIL  
TRUONG**  
Operations and Accounting  
Coordinator



**LANDON  
BARTEL**  
Development Coordinator



**CARRIE  
RAY**  
Project Coordinator



**SIERRA  
BEUKELMAN**  
Graphic Designer

## Interns



**HANNAH  
MOSEMAN**  
Student Sponsorship  
Intern



**HAILEY  
KELLER**  
College Scholarship  
Intern



**SKYLER  
SCHWANINGER**  
College Scholarship  
Intern



**CARRIE  
WEHRMAN**  
Story Writing Intern  
(Feb–Dec)



**KACIE  
HEIDBRINK**  
Video Intern  
(Mar–Dec)



**AUDREY  
SCHANOU**  
Donor Relations Intern  
(May–Dec)



**TERRY  
BRONSON**  
Project Finance  
Intern  
(May–Aug)



**JESSICA  
CONRAD**  
Social Media  
Intern  
(May–Aug)



**BRADLEY  
SULLIVAN**  
Project Finance  
Intern  
(Oct–Dec)



**SPENCER  
LANE**  
Project Finance  
Intern  
(Oct–Dec)



**JAYA  
NELSON**  
Social Media  
Intern  
(Oct–Dec)

## Board

THE LEADERSHIP WE RELY ON



**JODI  
KONGSJORD**  
Chairman



**JOHN  
KROEKER**  
Vice Chairman



**KATHERINE  
STEWART**  
Secretary



**CYNCI  
PETERSEN**  
Board Member



**MARLA  
STYLES**  
Board Member



**BEN  
COHOON**  
Board Member



**TREMAINE  
COMBS**  
Board Member

## Partners

THE KEY LEADERS OVERSEAS



**CHARLIE**  
Southern India



**VIVIAN**  
Uganda



**NEW ARK  
MINISTRIES**  
Bangalore, India



**ERUS**  
Turkana,  
Kenya



**ELIJAH**  
Narok,  
Kenya



**DR EMMA**  
Kampala,  
Uganda



**SUSHIL**  
East India



**ACTS 4  
RWANDA**  
Kigali, Rwanda



**AIG**  
Mathare,  
Kenya



**ANUJA**  
North India



**FANUEL  
OPISA**  
Mathare, Kenya



Not Pictured:  
**ONG**  
Benin

**BIMAN &  
JASSON**  
Bangladesh



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SO IN A WAY THAT GOES BEYOND  
THEORY."

-JON & LEAH // DONORS



# Financials





WE SAY  
**100%**  
**GOES**

## 100% Model

KNOW WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES



At The Hope Venture it's very important to us that all of our donors know where their donations are going. When it comes to trying to help those in poverty around the world, it can often be difficult to have any idea what your money actually goes to. Donors want to bring education to kids, but having assurance that your money is doing just that is often more difficult than it should be.

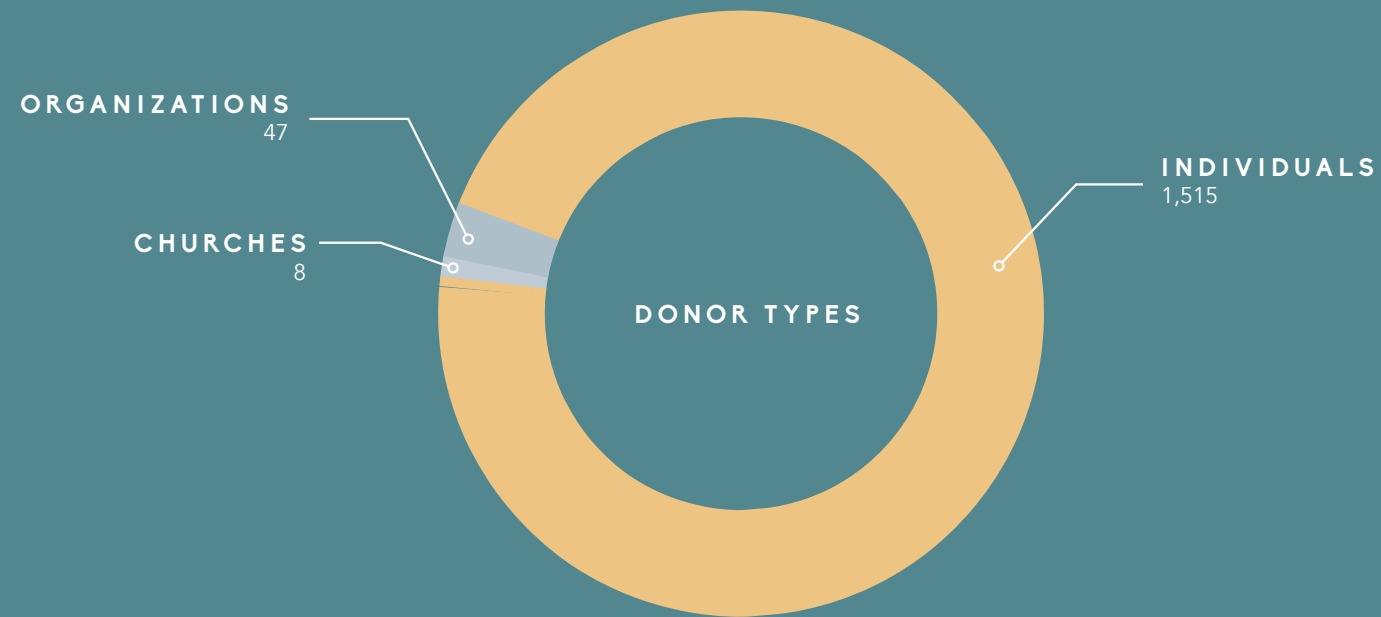
When we founded The Hope Venture 13 years ago, we set out to change that. We wanted to create a way that you could be sure your money went where you thought it was going, and to do that, we decided that we wouldn't take any percentage of your donation to pay for the operating expenses of the organization. We committed from the beginning to send 100% of all project donations straight overseas. At first this just meant our founder, Cynci, was donating a lot of her time to make it happen, but as we started to grow, she knew we would need a sustainable way to pay our operating expenses. This is when the Backbone Team began.

The Backbone Team is a group of incredible donors who support all of our overhead costs. Everything from staff salaries to credit card fees is paid for by them. They truly are the backbone of our organization, and because of them, we can continue to make our commitment to our 100% model.



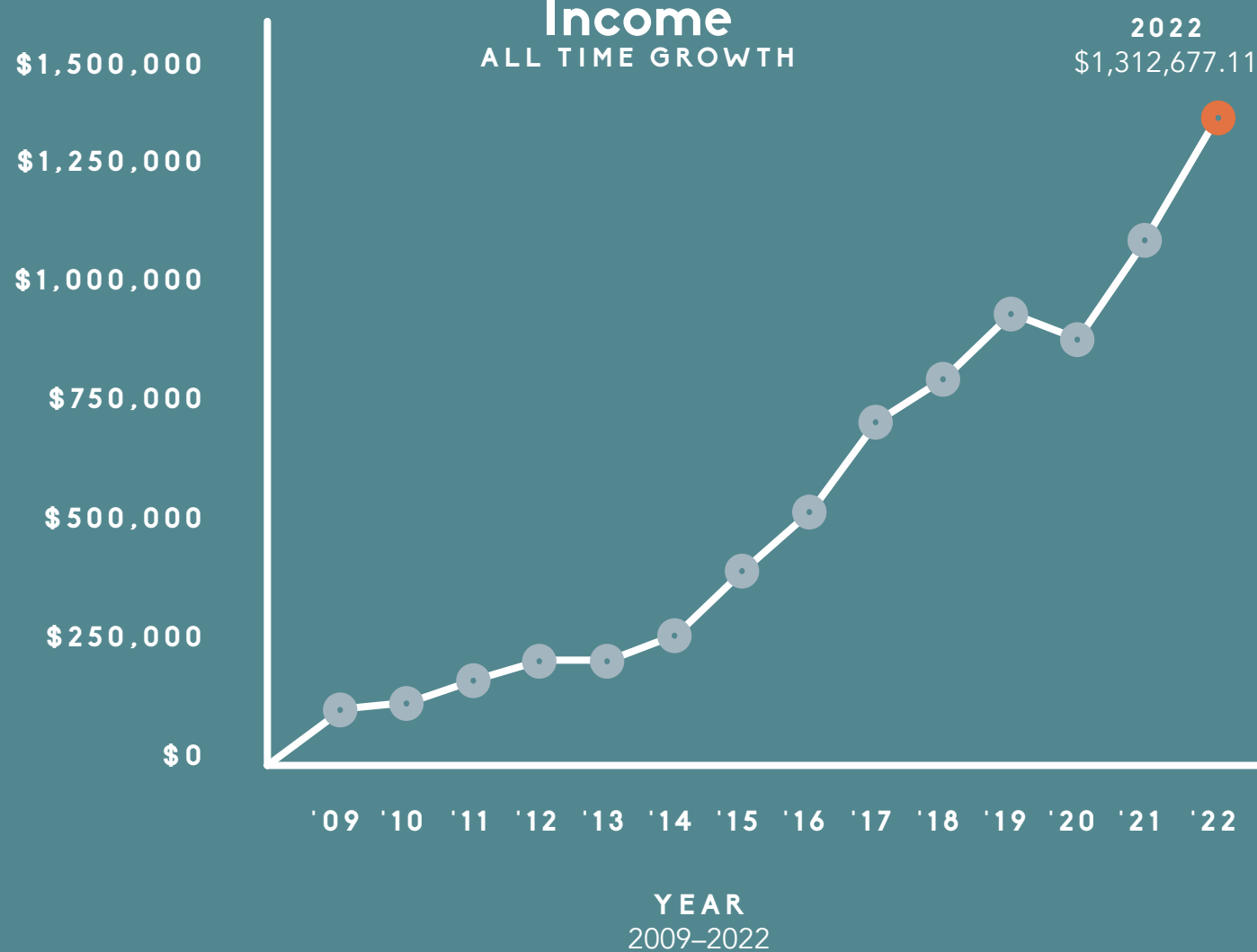
## Income

2022 DONOR TYPES



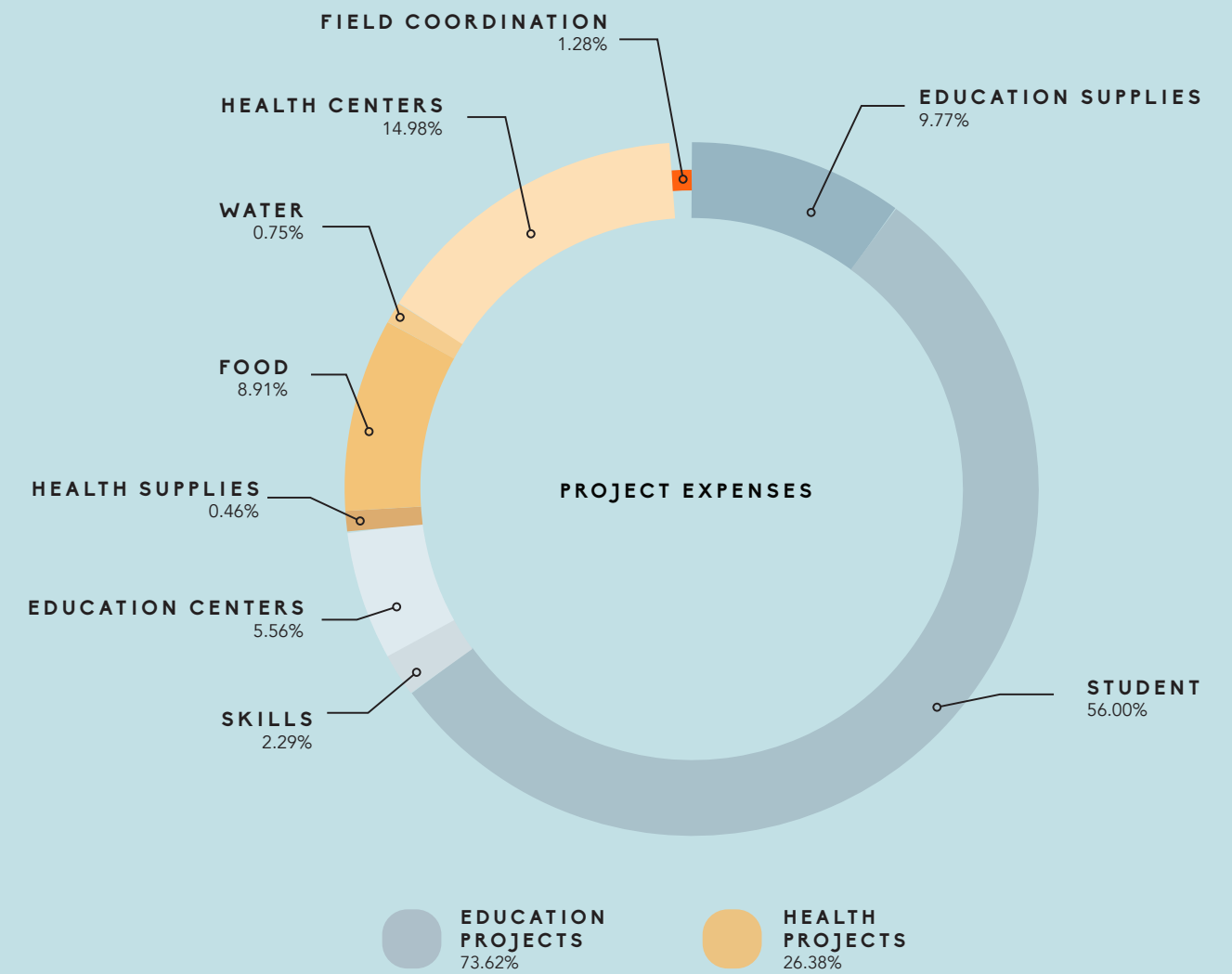
## Income

ALL TIME GROWTH



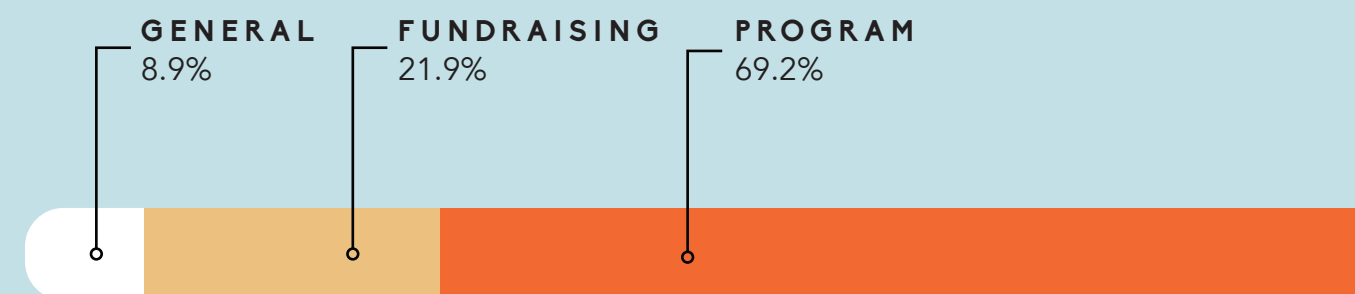
## Expenses

2022 PROJECT BREAKDOWN



## Expenses

2022 OVERALL BREAKDOWN





# Financials

## 2022 INCOME & EXPENSE

INCOME

10000 · Backbone Contributions	\$463,968.02
15000 · Investments	\$4,363.93
20000 · Event Income	\$44,790.96
30000 · Program Contributions	\$799,554.20
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,312,677.11

EXPENSE

50000 · Project Grants	\$685,653.63
63000 · Salaries	\$335,750.87
64000 · Fees for Services	\$34,091.78
65000 · Advertising	\$43,726.22
70000 · Office Expenses	\$33,957.70
72000 · Information Technology	\$4,122.66
73000 · Facilities and Equipment	\$17,943.70
74000 · Travel	\$74,457.88
79500 · Insurance	\$3,664.00
80000 · Events	\$48,431.54
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$1,281,799.98
Net Income	\$30,877.13

# Financials

## 2022 ASSETS

	DEC 31, 22	DEC 31, 21	% CHANGE
Total Assets	485,124.29	439,995.24	10.3%
Total Liabilities	31,946.08	17,694.16	80.6%
Equity			
Unrestricted Net Assets	422,301.08	481,905.20	-12.4%
Net Income	30,877.13	-59,604.12	151.8%
Total Equity	453,178.21	422,301.08	7.3%
Total Liabilities and Equity	485,124.29	439,995.24	10.3%

# All-Time Numbers

## FROM 2009 TO PRESENT

TOTAL DONORS	RAISED	TOTAL RECIPIENTS
5,500+	\$7.5 MILLION	85,000+



"DEAR HOPE VENTURE, WE  
CHOSE TO SUPPORT YOU  
BECAUSE WE KNEW THAT  
PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE  
WORLD WERE STRUGGLING  
WITH FOOD INSECURITY,  
POVERTY, AND GETTING AN  
EDUCATION. WE'RE VERY  
GRATEFUL FOR WHAT YOU'RE  
DOING FOR THE COMMUNITY  
AND THE WORLD... WE  
RAISED \$672! THANKS FOR  
THE BOOKLETS, STICKERS,  
AND BUSINESS CARDS!"

-SCOTT MIDDLE SCHOOL  
STUDENTS

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# What's Next?





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WHAT'S NEXT?



So where are we headed in 2023? Hopefully you've caught that we've made huge strides over the last three years in our project strategy. The revamp is finally complete, and all our partners are aligned. Our projects are ready for growth, and we're excited about that! Now we need the money! Haha, but for real. :) We will be readdressing our funding strategy this year as we need to be able to handle our growing needs. One of the things that's working for us to grow our income is A Night for Hope. Hopefully you've noticed the huge successes we've had with this event. We feel it's our best way to introduce people to The Hope Venture as well as to tell our current people what our needs are. We want to share our needs there better and better. We want to grow in Lincoln as well, to become a household name, and to change the world together from the middle of the USA, so it's fitting that we'd seek to make the most of this event. Towards that end, we're diving in earlier and seeking to DOUBLE the attendance in 2023! We want to see people from every part of Lincoln as well as people traveling from out of town be part of this awesome night. So mark your calendars... October 6, 2023... grab a friend and get your tickets early. You won't want to miss it! Let's do this together.

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A stylized graphic of a hand with fingers spread, rendered in a flat, illustrative style. The hand is composed of several colored regions: a large orange section for the palm and fingers, a light blue section for the back of the hand and wrist, and a teal section for the lower arm. The fingers are outlined in black. In the center of the palm, there is a white rounded square containing the text "HOPE VENTURE" in a bold, black, distressed font.

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