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**Meeting
people at their
point of need
as an
expression of
God's love.**



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The Year Ahead

2025 Outlook

As we look ahead towards 2025, we see us focusing on these three goals.

1

Maximize the value, joy, and fulfillment of the volunteer experience so every volunteer knows they are transforming lives every day.

2

Work as a team with other community caregivers to meet people at their point of need and help every person live an abundant life.

3

Ensure everyone who walks through our doors knows we are not a store; we are people who work to transform lives.

Message from the Executive Director

Last year, my wife, Emily, told me that she yearned to be in a stable community. I understood what she meant. We had spent nearly 25 years on active duty in the Air Force, and we had moved at least a dozen times. When we didn't move, our friends did.

I loved my ministry as an Air Force chaplain. I especially enjoyed assisting and advocating for the younger Airmen and their families. In addition to my responsibilities as a colonel and a chaplain, I would meet the Airmen as they arrived on base, invite them to chapel services or a chapel-sponsored activity, and become their caregiver. I loved providing meals for them at Thanksgiving and giving presents to their children at Christmas. I couldn't imagine a more wonderful ministry than helping young families thrive during their major life transitions.

But one morning I woke up way too early and began surfing the Internet. I came upon a job opening for the Executive Director of the Christian Center of Park City. With great interest and enthusiasm, I read through every CCPC webpage and social media posting – and I loved what I saw.

It excited me to read about the counseling center, the food pantries, the basic needs assistance,

the gifts of coats and presents at Christmas, snacks in backpacks, and the Native American outreach.

Before Emily even awoke, I had applied for the position. When she woke up, I told her about the Christian Center and about all the ways the Center loves and serves people. She was as excited about it as I was. Then she asked where it was, and I admitted I didn't know. Imagine our delight when we found out this amazing caregiving organization was in one of the most beautiful places on Earth.

Now Emily and I are beginning a new chapter in service to God and to the people He loves. Our joint prayer is that we can faithfully serve Him, faithfully serve the Christian Center of Park City, and faithfully serve this amazing community.

Steve



Award-Winning Stores

From January 2024 through September 2024 our stores and donation receiving teams:

Completed 23,997 transactions in our four stores

Had over 20,000 car drop-off donations

\$491,893

RAISED FOR CAREGIVING OPERATIONS

Summit Exchange

Summit Exchange is a new thrift store we opened up this year. It offers a curated selection of high-quality, second-hand clothing, outdoor gear, and household items at affordable prices. With a focus on sustainability and community support, sales at Summit Exchange help fuel our charitable programs, including food assistance, counseling, and other vital services for those in need. The store not only promotes eco-friendly shopping but also helps strengthen the Park City community.

 Junction Commons | 6699 Landmark Drive | Park City, UT 84098



Basic Needs Assistance

SUCCESS STORY 1

A client moved to the area nearly a year ago to support his son, who attends college in Salt Lake City. He was going through a challenging period, so he relocated to be closer to his son. The client had a stable job but was unexpectedly laid off in May. He reached out to us for assistance and mentioned that he had also applied for help from other organizations. The client was struggling with high rent costs, but his landlord offered a more affordable option at another property he owned, with the condition that the client first settle his overdue rent. Feeling discouraged and desperate, the client sought our help. We were able to assist by paying his overdue balance to the landlord. The client left our office grateful and emotional. That same day, he attended his third interview with a local employer and received a job offer. Later, we received a message from the client, thanking us and sharing the good news about the job offer. He expressed that things were finally looking up.

SUCCESS STORY 2

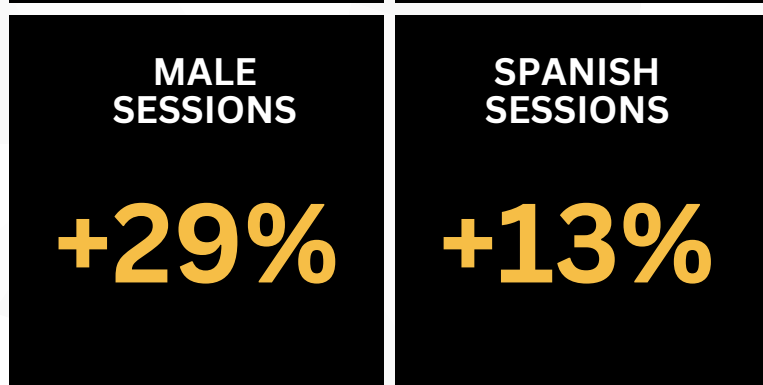
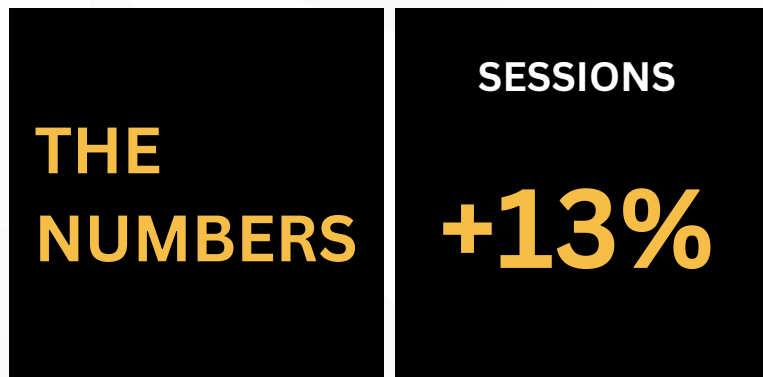
A client's workplace experienced a kitchen fire, causing the business to temporarily close for repairs. As a result, she was laid off until the restaurant reopened. Falling behind on rent, her landlord was unwilling to provide flexibility. We met with the client and were able to offer eviction prevention assistance for one month, helping her avoid homelessness. She was preparing to return to work and was also working with the Department of Workforce Services (DWS) to receive unemployment support.

**MONEY DISBURSED
FOR EVICTION
PREVENTION :
\$113,907.69**



Counseling & Wellness Center

“Recent life events and a long history of depression and anxiety had me in a place where the need for counseling became urgent, even life threatening. Some unresolved childhood trauma began to render me practically unable to get out of bed, let alone participate in life. In two months of CCPC counseling and medication management, a new path and a new life is emerging for me. Honestly, I am looking forward to the rest of my life instead of dreading it. I attribute all of this to the efforts and treatments that are being offered to me through CCPC Counseling & Wellness.” – Anonymous Client



*YEAR OVER YEAR CHANGE FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDING IN 2024

Hunger & Food Insecurity

PARK CITY PANTRY

HOUSEHOLDS SERVED

10,361

CHILDREN SERVED

5,911

TOTAL INDIVIDUALS
SERVED

25,409

HEBER PANTRY

HOUSEHOLDS SERVED

6,581

CHILDREN SERVED

7,225

TOTAL INDIVIDUALS
SERVED

18,430

MOBILE PANTRY

SUMMIT EVENTS

22

WASATCH EVENTS

9

TOTAL INDIVIDUALS
SERVED

4,353

*Reporting timeframe as of Jan 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024

Food Insecurity In Our Community

In Summit and Wasatch Counties, Utah, food insecurity affects many despite the area's wealth. In Summit County, around 7.4% of residents, including 9% of children, struggle with access to nutritious food due to high living costs, while in Wasatch County, 8.5% of residents and 12% of children face similar challenges. The Christian Center of Park City combats this through its food pantries, providing essential groceries, and fresh produce, and supporting children with our Snacks in Backpacks program.





Volunteer Profile

Jackie was born in Mississippi, in the same town that Elvis was born. She flew for Delta Airlines international division for 38.5 years, so hospitality and serving is her forte. She was also an instructor in a flight attendant school for many different serving procedures. She says it was the best time in the world to fly. She retired in 2001 after 9/11 to be home with her daughter. She moved to Park City part time 15 years ago, and then full time 9 years ago from Cincinnati. Her husband has worked here as a ski instructor. Jackie loves helping people and describes it as being 'In her DNA.' She said, "A lot of people are weary about coming to a place that does second hand clothing, but why would you pay \$80 for a pair of workout pants when you can get them here for \$15?"

How did you get involved at Christian Center of Park City

Well, I knew all about the Christian Center and all about the services you all provide, plus we went to a new church, Mountain Life, and that was wonderful. They really care about the people. And then I met Rob! And he said, 'I thought I recognized you!' Working at the Christian Center is comradery and even though I'm retired, I want to stay active and do things and still be involved in the community.



The Lord has blessed us, so we don't have to have an additional income, so when that happens, you have to bless other people. I am good at putting colors together, so people say, 'Oh you didn't get that at the Christian Center, and I say, 'Well of course I did!' So, I have people coming to me all the time asking me to be their personal shopper. I have a couple of friends who are incapacitated, so CCPC has let me bring some clothes home, to let them look at, and then I bring them back if they don't want them. If they do, they'll write me a check and then I'll put it on my credit card here. Since they can't get here, I still want them to be able to benefit. I just want to help people.

Native American/Indigenous Outreach

This year we continued assisting our Goshute friends with a water conservation project, to help preserve the springheads in their pristine tribal hunting grounds. The springheads are the source of clean water that feed into the water table for the whole reservation. This project was a continuation of our "Scrap Metal Clean Up Project" when we removed 2,000 lbs (1 ton!!!) of toxic scrap metal that was leaching into their aquifer. With some faithful volunteers and Goshute tribe members, we built cattle and wild game-proof fencing to protect the springheads. We are so thankful for the support of both Amex and Ally Bank for their incredibly generous support and the tireless work of our committed volunteers.





Back 2 School Basics

*Individuals Served at 2024 Back 2 School Basics

SUMMIT COUNTY

WASATCH COUNTY

GOSHUTE

TOTAL

596

712

50

1,358





Operation Hope

*Individuals Served at 2023 Operation Hope

SUMMIT COUNTY

WASATCH COUNTY

GOSHUTE

TOTAL

963

1,066

100

2,129



Thank you for helping us serve this community!



INVESTING IN HOPE

HOW TO DONATE: THREE EASY WAYS TO GIVE

YOU CAN SEND A CHECK IN THE MAIL TO OUR MAILING

ADDRESS:
CHRISTIAN CENTER OF PARK CITY (CCPC)
PO BOX #683480
PARK CITY, UT 84068



GIVE BY GOING ON OUR WEBSITE

AND CLICKING ON "DONATE" OR DONATE BY SCANNING THE QR
CODE



MAKE A STOCK GIFT DIRECTLY TO CCPC.

CALL OUR CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AT #435-649-2260 TO WALK YOU
THROUGH THIS BRIEF PROCESS.

