

IMPACT REPORT

20

A YEAR OF
PRESENCE & BELONGING

25



ST. ALOYSIUS
NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES



A year of, **Presence & Belonging** *Where mercy became friendship.*

Welcome to the 2025 Impact Report for St. Aloysius Neighborhood Services. This past year, we witnessed the Gospel come alive through countless acts of mercy, friendship, and faithful presence. Together, we did far more than meet material needs. We built relationships, restored dignity, formed missionary disciples, and unleashed the Gospel throughout the streets of Detroit. Every shared meal, every prayer, every volunteer, and every conversation became an opportunity to reveal the love of Jesus Christ. We are grateful for your partnership in this mission and invite you to celebrate all that God has done through our community this past year.

“We are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us.”

2 Corinthians 5:20

Dear Friends,

Throughout 2025, we witnessed the Gospel come alive on the streets of Detroit.

Week after week, volunteers, benefactors, parishioners, and neighbors came together to reveal the love of Christ through simple acts of mercy. Every grocery bag, shared meal, prayer, sidewalk conversation, and visit with a senior became an opportunity to proclaim the hope of the Gospel—not only through words, but through presence, friendship, and love.

At St. Aloysius, we believe our mission is about far more than meeting material needs. We are called to accompany our neighbors, restore dignity, build authentic relationships, and invite every person to encounter Jesus Christ and His Church.

This past year, we experienced what it means to truly Unleash the Gospel in the heart of Detroit. Together, we witnessed volunteers become missionary disciples, strangers become neighbors, and countless moments of ordinary kindness reveal the extraordinary love of God.

Thank you for your prayers, generosity, and faithful partnership in this mission. Because of you, lives are being transformed, hope is taking root, and the Church continues to be a visible sign of Jesus’ presence in our city.

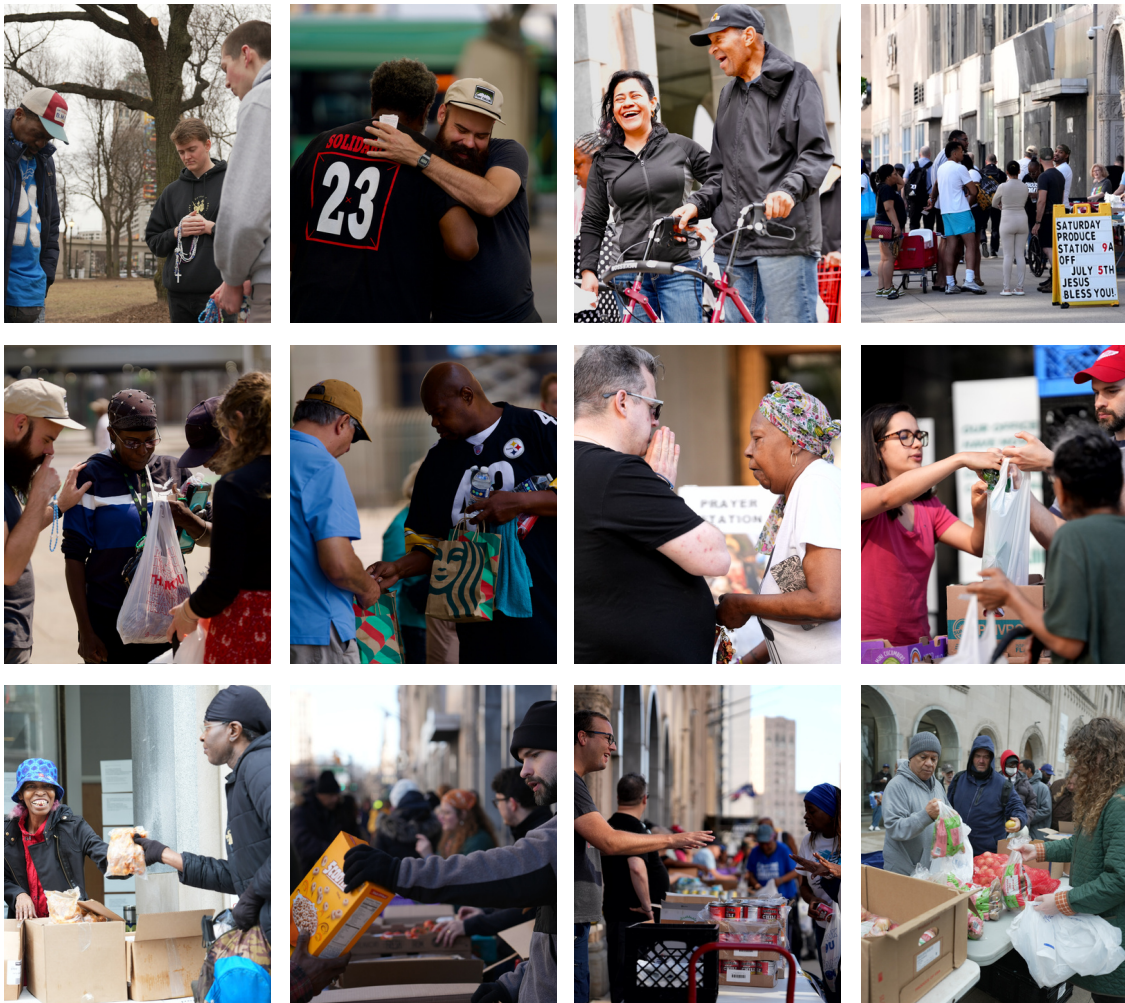
May these pages remind us that this work is not ours alone. It is God's work and together, we have the privilege of taking part in His mission.

With gratitude in Christ,

Michael Schultz
Director, Neighborhood Services

Every person is created, in the image and likeness of God

Every volunteer who serves with Neighborhood Services brings more than helping hands, they bring the compassionate presence of Christ. Through a warm smile, a shared meal, a listening ear, or a simple prayer, lives are touched in ways that cannot be measured. Every encounter becomes an opportunity to remind someone that they are seen, loved, and created in the image and likeness of God.



Love in action, Hope in Motion

Every act of generosity creates another opportunity for someone to encounter the love of Jesus. These milestones tell the story of a community choosing compassion over indifference, presence over isolation, and hope over despair. Together, we are helping build a Detroit where every neighbor knows they are loved, valued, and never alone.

15,500+

sandwiches

7,000+

socks

13,000+

bottles of water

5,500+

hygiene kits

10,200+

bagged lunches

3,000+

hand & toe warmers

2,400+

grocery bags

1,800+

hats & gloves

Breakfast Ministry

6,500+ Encounters

Street Ministry

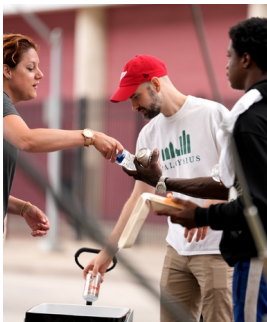
4,200+ Encounters

Pop Up Grill Outs

4,800+ Meals Served

Grocery Distribution

85,000 lbs Fresh Food





Our Faith Community Nurse Ministry and Community Dentist continued to care for our neighbors in body, mind, and spirit through wellness screenings, health education, referrals, and compassionate accompaniment. By meeting people where they are, our team helped remove barriers to care while reminding every person of their God-given dignity.

- **Wellness screenings • Health referrals • Nurse hotline**
- **Compassionate care**



Through regular visits, advocacy, wellness checks, and our SHARE gatherings, we walked alongside low-income neighborhood seniors facing isolation and uncertainty. More than providing assistance, we built lasting relationships that helped our neighbors experience friendship, community, and hope.

- **Monthly SHARE gatherings • Resource navigation • Home visits • Ongoing friendship**



Throughout 2025, Neighborhood Alpha remained a place where questions were welcomed, friendships deepened, and faith came alive. Around shared meals and honest conversations, neighbors discovered that the Church is a place of belonging and that Jesus Christ continues to transform lives today.

- **Faith conversations • Prayer • Missionary discipleship**



Nearly every weekday, our Divine Mercy Hour welcomed neighbors seeking food, resources, or simply someone willing to listen. Every bagged lunch, prayer, and conversation became an opportunity to extend Christ's hospitality and remind each guest that they are known, loved, and never alone.

- **Daily hospitality • Bagged lunches • Resource referrals**
- **Prayer & encouragement**



Most Saturday mornings neighbors received fresh produce, meat, pantry staples, and encouragement through one of our largest outreach ministries. More than 85,000 pounds of food were distributed throughout the year, but the greatest gift was the relationships formed week after week through faithful presence and compassionate service.

• ***Weekly grocery outreach • Prayer • Community***



From sidewalks and bus stops to parks and city streets, our volunteers encountered thousands of neighbors through meals, essential supplies, prayer, and friendship. Every conversation was an opportunity to restore dignity and reveal the compassionate heart of Jesus to those often overlooked.

• ***Prayer ministry • Backpack outreach • Essential resources***



Our sidewalk cookouts became neighborhood celebrations where strangers became friends around freshly grilled meals, music, and conversation. These joyful gatherings reminded everyone that community begins with an invitation and that every person deserves to be welcomed with warmth and dignity.

• ***Neighborhood cookouts • Friendship • Community***



In 2025, we launched the Urban Disciple Initiative, a new effort to form and equip volunteers as missionary disciples. Through prayer, hands-on outreach, and faith-filled formation, ministers learned to recognize Christ in every person they encountered, share the hope of the Gospel with confidence, and serve with compassion rooted in Catholic teaching.

• ***Missionary Formation • Evangelization • Leadership***

The body of Christ at Work

“There are different kinds of service but the same Lord.”

1 Corinthians 12:5

The work of Neighborhood Services has never been the work of one person or one organization. It is the work of the Body of Christ where people from every walk of life answer God's call to love their neighbors with generosity, compassion, and hope.

Throughout 2025, we were blessed by a growing network of partners who shared our vision of restoring dignity, building authentic relationships, and proclaiming the Gospel through acts of mercy. Together, we witnessed how God multiplies even the smallest acts of generosity when His people come together in service.

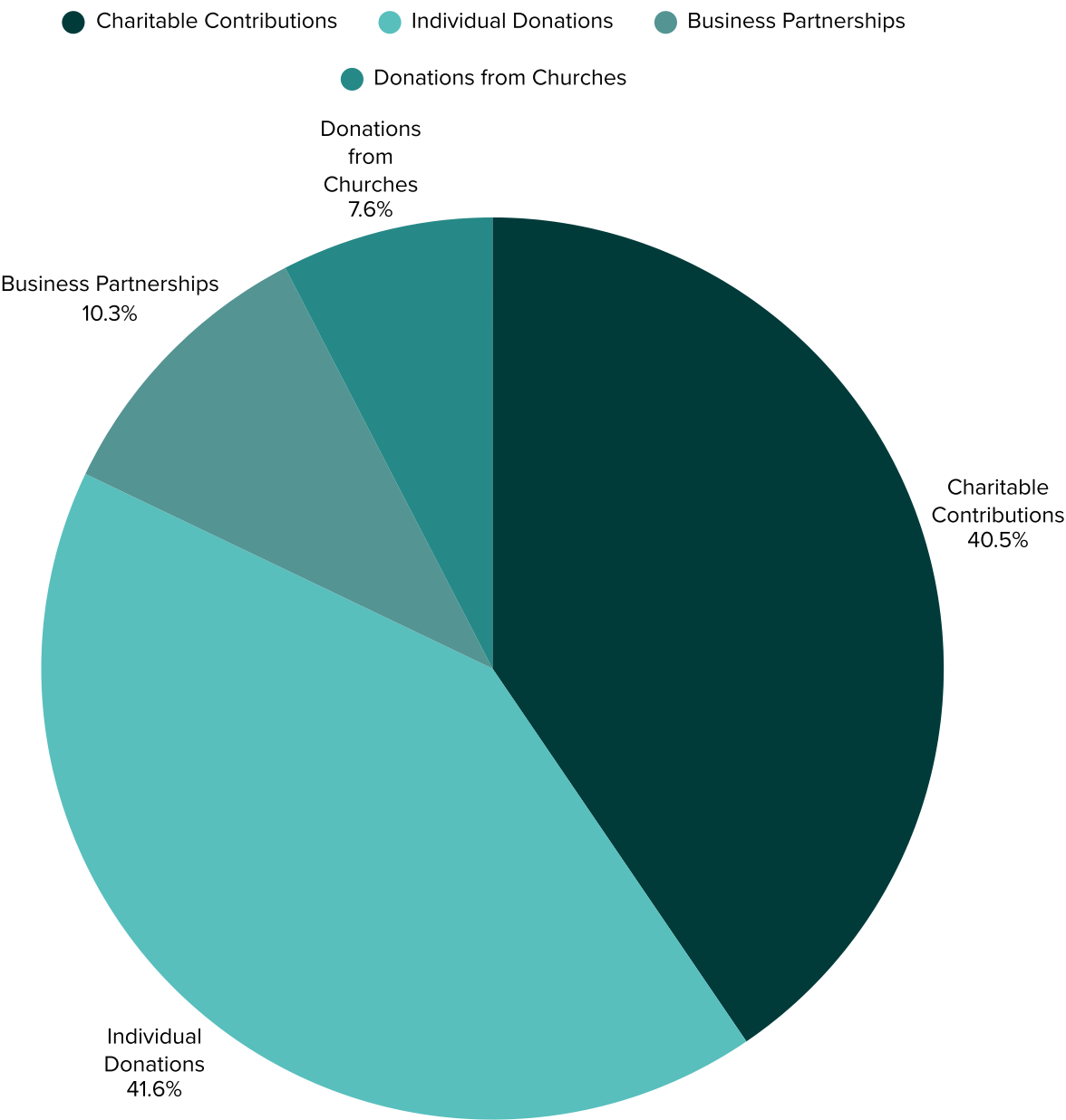
Local Catholic parishes, schools, volunteer groups, businesses, healthcare professionals, and community organizations stood alongside us week after week. From grocery distributions and neighborhood cookouts to health screenings, prayer ministry, and outreach events, these partnerships strengthened our ability to respond to the needs of our neighbors while creating countless opportunities to encounter Christ.

We are especially grateful for the continued support of the Downtown Detroit Partnership and Downtown Detroit Development Authority, whose collaboration has helped us serve our downtown community with greater consistency and care. We also give thanks for our partnerships with Premier Pet Supply and Dorney's Pet Pantry, the Wayne County Mobile Health Unit, Catholic Central High School, local universities, parish volunteer groups, healthcare professionals, and the many churches and organizations that generously shared their time, talents, and resources throughout the year.

Most importantly, we thank the hundreds of volunteers and faithful benefactors who chose to say "yes" to God's invitation. Whether serving for an hour or faithfully returning week after week, each person became part of a much larger story, a story of God's love reaching the streets of Detroit through ordinary people willing to do extraordinary things for His Kingdom.

Together, we are doing far more than meeting immediate needs. We are building friendships, strengthening neighborhoods, forming missionary disciples, and helping unleash the Gospel throughout the heart of Detroit. Every partnership reminds us that when the Church and the community unite in service, lives are transformed and hope takes root.

Total Contributions in 2025



As we look toward 2026, we do so with hearts full of hope. God is inviting us to deepen relationships, form more missionary disciples, strengthen partnerships, and continue revealing His love throughout Detroit. Together, we believe every act of mercy can become an encounter with Christ, every volunteer can become a disciple, and every neighbor can discover that they are deeply loved, welcomed, and belong.

Growing the Kingdom
together.

“The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me... He has sent me to bring good news to the poor...”

Isaiah 61:1–4

As we look toward the year ahead, our hope is not simply to do more, it is to love more deeply, walk more faithfully, and invite more people into the life-changing love of Jesus Christ.

We believe God is calling Neighborhood Services into a new season of missionary charity, where every act of mercy becomes an invitation to encounter Christ and every volunteer becomes a missionary disciple. Our vision for 2026 is to strengthen the relationships that have become the heart of this ministry while expanding opportunities for prayer, evangelization, leadership development, and authentic community throughout Detroit.

In the coming year, we will continue growing our Grocery Ministry, Street Ministry, Grill Club, Health Ministry, and Pop-Up Produce Stations while investing in new ways to accompany our neighbors beyond meeting immediate needs. Through the Urban Disciple Initiative, we will equip more volunteers to confidently share the Gospel, pray with others, and serve as ambassadors of Christ wherever God sends them.

We also believe God is calling us to deepen partnerships with parishes, schools, businesses, healthcare providers, community leaders, and community organizations that share a desire to see Detroit flourish. Together, we can build a stronger network of hope where churches become centers of missionary charity, neighbors become family, and every person knows they are a beloved son or daughter of God.

Our dream is bold because the Gospel is bold. We long to see sidewalks become places of prayer, food distribution lines become places of friendship, volunteers become lifelong disciples, and those who first come seeking resources discover a community where they truly belong.

The work before us is greater than any one ministry, parish, or organization. It is Christ's mission entrusted to His Church.

Thank you for believing in that mission. Thank you for praying with us, serving alongside us, and investing in a future where the Gospel continues to transform lives across Detroit. Together, we will continue to unleash the Gospel, one relationship, one neighborhood, and one soul at a time.



ST. ALOYSIUS
NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES



staloyusdetroit.com



313.237.5810



schultz.michael@aod.org



1234 Washington Blvd. Detroit, MI 48226