



LEAVENWORTH INTERFAITH
COMMUNITY OF HOPE

ANNUAL REPORT

SHARING GOD'S HOPE AND LOVE BY EQUIPPING PEOPLE TO END,
OR PREVENT, THEIR HOMELESSNESS IN LEAVENWORTH COUNTY

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Leavenworth Interfaith Community
of Hope Night Shelter

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“It’s not about how much you do, but *how much love you put into what you do that counts.*” - Mother Theresa

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY OF HOPE

HISTORY The Leavenworth Interfaith Community of Hope was founded on a vision of compassion and service, thanks to the leadership of Sister Vickie Perkins and the dedication of many volunteers. This journey began on January 27, 2014, with the launch of Welcome Central, a program designed to provide social service counseling and free transportation assistance. As the year progressed, it became evident that many individuals seeking support were also experiencing homelessness, sparking discussions about the urgent need for a shelter.

By December 2014, the first Night Shelter opened on the second floor of Catholic Charities, offering a safe place for those in need. The overwhelming support from the community, churches, and individuals made it possible to expand these services further. In January 2018, the Leavenworth Interfaith Community of Hope moved into its permanent home at 311 Kiowa. This new space allowed all programs—Welcome Central, the Night Shelter, and the Day Center—to operate under one roof, providing a comprehensive support system for individuals facing homelessness in Leavenworth County.

WHO WE ARE

At the Leavenworth Interfaith Community of Hope, we share God's hope and love by equipping individuals with the support they need to overcome or prevent homelessness in Leavenworth County. Our mission is carried out through three core programs: the Day Center, Night Shelter, and Welcome Central.

Beyond these essential services, we take a holistic approach to care, ensuring that those experiencing homelessness have access to vital wrap-around support. This includes safe shelter, food security, clothing, mental health connections, and more. With dedicated case managers on-site, we work alongside individuals to assess their needs, help them enroll in critical services, and connect them with the resources necessary to regain stability. Our goal is not just to provide immediate relief but to empower each person on their journey toward self-sufficiency.

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Executive Director STATEMENT



Dear Friends, Donors, and Volunteers

2025 has been a year of incredible growth and transition for the Community of Hope. As Myranda Agnew stepped into her new role as Northeast Regional Coordinator for the Kansas Statewide Homeless Coalition, I had the honor of transitioning from Night Shelter Director into the role of Executive Director.

My journey with the Community of Hope began as a volunteer in the fall of 2020. In September 2022, I joined the staff as Administrative Assistant, and in 2023 I became Night Shelter Director. I cannot fully express what a privilege it is to now serve as Executive Director. This organization holds a deeply personal place in my heart. The guests we serve are more than participants in a program — they have become, in many ways, an extension of my own family.

This year also brought the addition of two remarkable leaders to our team. We welcomed Clair Neely as Director of Operations and Katlyn Lowe as Night Shelter Director. Both Clair and Katlyn have already made a tremendous impact, including their work in the recovery community helping open the first women's Oxford House in Leavenworth. Their compassion, dedication, and servant-hearted leadership are incredible gifts to the Community of Hope and to the individuals we serve each day.

As we reflect on 2025, this annual report celebrates the collective impact made possible by every volunteer hour, every financial gift, every in-kind donation, and every prayer offered in support of our mission. Together, we are creating meaningful and lasting change throughout Leavenworth County. We are especially excited to share that, for the second consecutive year, we have ended the year financially in the black. This milestone strengthens our long-term sustainability and allows us to continue expanding and strengthening our programs with greater confidence and stability. None of this would be possible without the support of our partner organizations, churches, businesses, and individual donors who stand beside us. Your generosity, encouragement, and faith in our mission provide the strength we need to continue this vital work.

Looking ahead to 2026, we are committed to fully embodying the name of the Leavenworth Interfaith Community of Hope. We will continue providing essential services, strengthening partnerships, and offering wrap-around support to ensure every guest not only finds housing but remains connected to community and equipped for a brighter future.

Thank you for being part of this mission. Thank you for believing in hope. We look forward to another year of service, growth, and impact — together.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer Christensen".

2025 COMMUNITY OF HOPE STAFF



Myranda Agnew
Executive Director



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Director of Operations



Clair Neely
Director of Operations



Katlyn Lowe
Night Shelter Director



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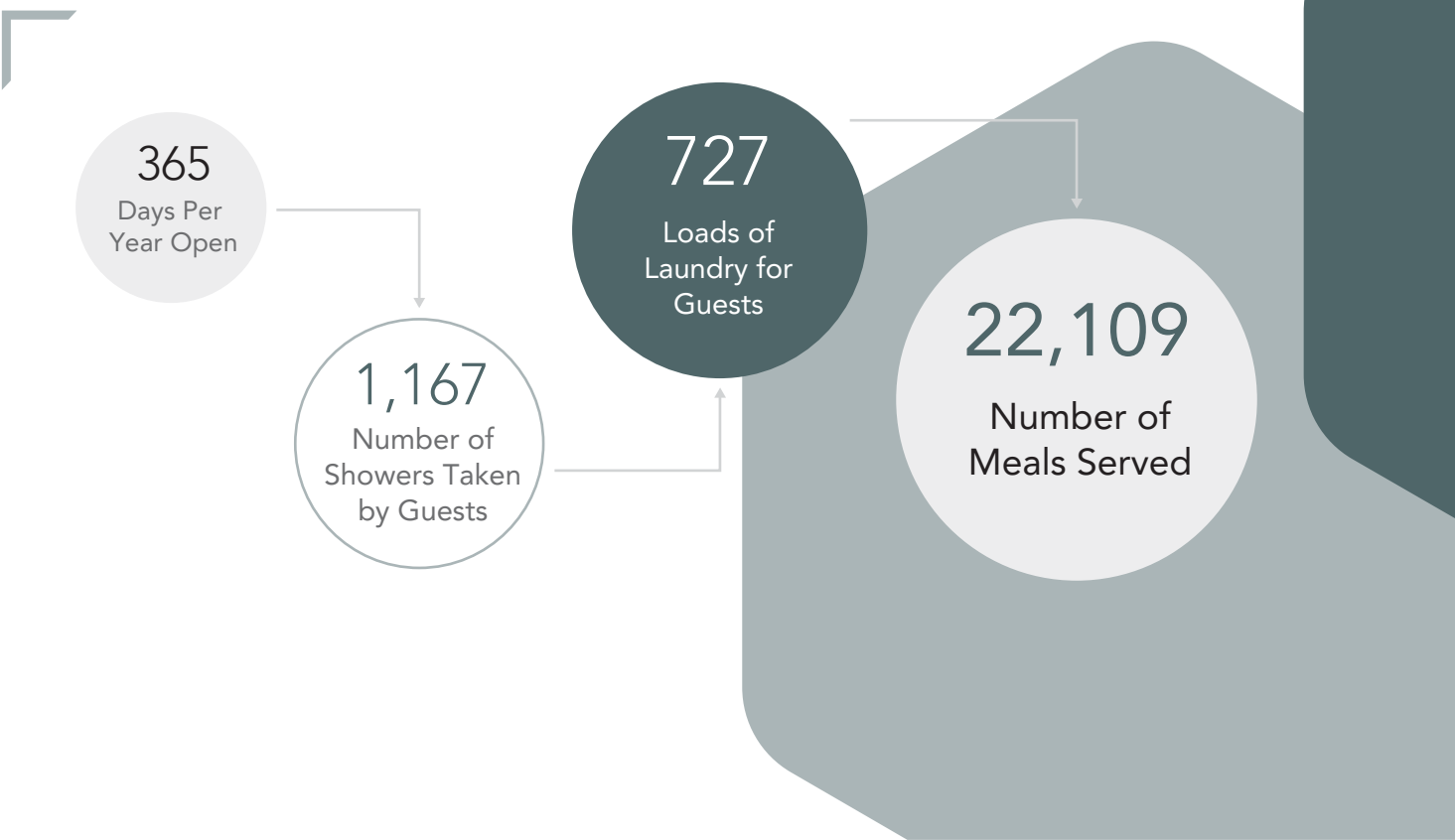
2025 DAY CENTER DATA

The Day Center at the Leavenworth Interfaith Community of Hope serves as a vital resource for individuals experiencing homelessness and those struggling with food insecurity. Guests have access to three daily meals—breakfast, a hot lunch, and a light dinner—along with essential amenities such as showers, laundry facilities, and a clean facilities for daily hygiene tasks. Case management services are also available to support individuals on their path toward stability.

To further reduce barriers, the Community of Hope provides free on-site access to key support services, including:

- The Guidance Center: Weekly visits from a housing specialist, employment specialist, and mental health professionals as well as regular ACT Team support and Mobile Crisis as needed.
- Heartland RADAC (Regional Alcohol and Drug Assessment Center): Weekly support from a case manager specializing in substance use recovery and a Recovery Coach.

The Day Center also plays a crucial role in addressing food insecurity beyond its unhoused guests. Lunch is served Monday through Friday to anyone in need within the Leavenworth community. In 2025, the Day Center provided over 22,000 meals, ensuring that no one in our community goes hungry.



2025 NIGHT SHELTER DATA

In 2025, the Night Shelter provided a safe place to sleep for 198 unique individuals. Guests ranged in age from just 4 months old to 83 years old, with an average age of 40. Of those who stayed at the shelter, 62% were male and 38% were female, while 11% identified as veterans. The following charts further illustrate the impact of our Night Shelter and the diverse individuals who found refuge within our walls.



Men 62%

62% of the individuals served for shelter services in 2025 were men. This is slightly lower than the last 4 years where the percentage of men served is around 70%.



Women 38%

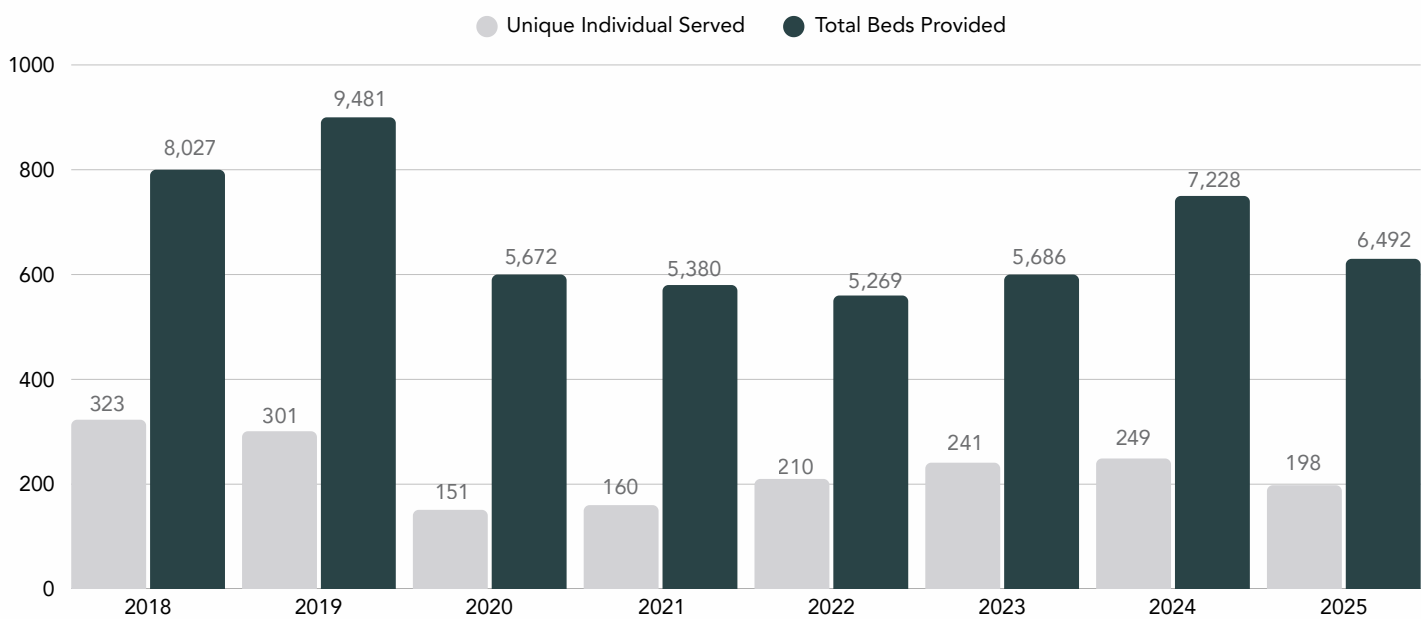
Women made up 38% of individuals who were unhoused and stayed at our Day and Night Shelter in 2025.



Total Beds Provided means the total number of guests checking in each night throughout the year. These are the larger navy numbers. This does include duplicate individuals who stay multiple nights throughout the year. Unique Individuals Served is the total number of individuals served at the Night Shelter throughout the year. This is the grey portion.

BEDS PROVIDED AT NIGHT SHELTER

Organizational Data 2018-2025



The Night Shelter continues to be a vital refuge for individuals experiencing homelessness in Leavenworth County, providing a safe place to sleep every night of the year since opening in January 2018 and providing 53,235 beds in that time.

In recent years, the demand for shelter has steadily increased, with more individuals seeking refuge and support. Not only are we serving a growing number of guests, but the challenges they face are becoming more complex, often requiring longer stays and additional resources to help them regain stability.

This life-changing program relies on the dedication of staff and a multitude of incredible volunteers, who serve in three-hour shifts from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. Their commitment ensures that every guest is welcomed with warmth, dignity, and support.

At the core of our shelter services is the mission to empower individuals on their journey toward stability. We strive to provide not only a place to rest but also the resources and encouragement needed to help them regain their footing and move forward.

THE COMMUNITY OF HOPE GIVES BACK

Because the community gives so much to the Community of Hope, we make it a priority to give back in return.

Our staff, guests, and volunteers actively participate in community service, fostering a culture of generosity and reminding us that everyone has something to give, no matter their circumstances. One example of this commitment is our participation in A Grand Christmas where we distributed hundreds of coats, socks, warm hats, gloves and scarves. We also help with Back to School Bash every summer where we help distribute backpacks and hygiene items to school age children.

Through efforts like these, we continue to support those in need while strengthening the bonds within our community.

Volunteer Hours Given Back to the Community in 2025

100+

Over the past five years, the Community of Hope has given back more than 700 hours of service to the Leavenworth community. We are committed to expanding these efforts and strengthening our outreach programs to make an even greater impact in the years ahead.

Events Participated In

Annual Street Outreach
Point In Time

PPPS Week

Back to School Bash

A Grand Christmas Coat Giveaway



2025 WELCOME CENTRAL DATA

Welcome Central is a program within the Community of Hope that resources those in our community with needs for clothing, food, assistance with rent and utilities, obtaining identification (birth certificate, ID, social security card), helps with applications, and any other resource which helps equip people to end, or prevent, their homelessness.

For those living in poverty as well as the unhoused population, Welcome Central strives to provide wrap-around services with multiple case managers on-site, helping empower and guide individuals towards self-sufficiency by assessing their needs, helping them enroll in vital services, and connecting them with necessary resources to get them back on their feet. We are very excited that we were able to support 80 individuals in obtaining housing in 2025 with 49 of those in temporary housing and 31 in permanent housing.



One of the individuals who celebrated “moving out day” in 2025, obtaining housing and ending their homelessness.

24
Number of IDs
purchased for Welcome
Central Clients

40
Number of Birth
Certificates Purchased
for Welcome Central
Clients

49
Individuals Who
Obtained Temporary
Housing in 2025

31
Individuals Who
Obtained Permanent
Housing in 2025

FINANCIAL REPORT - 2025

Revenues

	% of Revenue	2025
Grants	34.86%	\$143,400.52
Businesses	6.66%	\$27,406.35
Churches	8.69%	\$35,758.95
Individuals	27.68%	\$113,872.05
Organizations	3.47%	\$14,271.73
Fundraising	16.44%	\$67,640.00
Other	2.20%	\$9,020.00
	100%	\$411,369.60



FINANCIAL REPORT - 2025

Statement of Activity Expenditures	2025
Expenditures	
Payroll Expenditures	\$266,997.44
Payroll Tax Expense	\$21,350.45
Program Costs	\$3,643.59
Vehicle	\$427.01
Supplies	\$5,863.47
Utilities	\$17,950.96
Insurance	\$14,677.00
IT	\$2,659.82
Legal and Professional Services	\$10,022.56
Office Supplies and Software	\$2,292.97
Repairs & Maintenance	\$5,256.26
Security	\$1,938.51
Fundraiser Expenses	\$15,020.82
Other Expenditures	\$30,238.29
Total Expenditures	\$398,339.15

BALANCE SHEET - 2025

Balance Sheet		2025
Assets		
Bank Accounts		\$186,508.03
Investments		\$43,309.04
Fixed Assets		\$265,296.75
Total Assets		\$495,207.13
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		\$0
Credit Card		\$0
Total Liabilities		\$0
Assets		
Opening Balance Equity		\$0
Retained Earnings		\$480,734.77
Net Revenue		\$14,472.36
Total Equity		\$495,207.13
Total Liabilities and Equity		\$495,207.13

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