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Mission

Our mission is to prevent and reverse homelessness and hunger in Intown Atlanta by building a healthy community through caring relationships and transformed lives.

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Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church
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Druid Hills Baptist
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2013 ANNUAL REPORT

Making Connections. Creating Community

Relationships. What would we do without our friends and family, our loved ones and our support networks? Seriously. What would you do? What would I do? I'll be honest—I don't like to think about it. Like a nightmare, my mind vigorously resists picturing a scenario where my friends and family are gone. I rely so much on those close to me who love me that the thought of the loneliness and isolation, of lacking those lifelines in navigating this world, is beyond frightening.

And yet this is the situation in which too many of the people Intown serves find themselves. Isolated, separated, on their own with few connections to friends and family and a loving community. We serve people every day who are homeless and hungry, providing food, clothing, help with job searches, support in finding mental health services, and assistance moving into safe and permanent housing. These services are absolutely essential, and yet they are only part of what we do. We strive to offer hospitality, form relationships, and treat people with love and dignity and respect. We strive to build community, to create home.

From our volunteers at our Food Pantry who greet everyone by name to our staff at our Food Co-ops who work to bring out the talents and gifts of our Co-op members, Intown is about community. Home looks different for all of us, but we would all be lost without it.

—Brad Schweers



From the Executive Director

Neighbors Serving Neighbors. Our motto encapsulates the work we do in our community. Intown continues three decades of work in the neighborhood, and in our four years we have grown and expanded to serve more of our neighbors experiencing homelessness and hunger. The heart of our work remains building a strong community through relationships and mutually transformed lives—our lives and the lives of our neighbors.

As many continue to struggle in poverty, we saw a continued steady rise in need for our services. Our Food Pantry, Food Co-ops, Clothing Closet, Street Outreach, and Heading Home programs grew 72% in neighbors we served in 2013. We served twice as many families who were hungry.

Our homeless services could not keep up with the demand. The need is great and growing.

Yet our Sponsoring Congregations, volunteers, and supporters came together through Intown to meet the needs of our neighbors. Donors from the neighborhood gave 57,000 pounds of food, enough for 48,000 meals. Four hundred volunteers from faith communities and local organizations dedicated 4,000 hours to serve at Intown last year. The effort and support have been tremendous.

We are proud of the work we have done. And more work remains. Chronic homelessness continues to affect too many people. The average homeless person who dies on the streets in Atlanta is 49 years old. This is unacceptable, and we are shifting resources to help connect people with services and housing. Hunger among seniors and people with disabilities continues, and we are putting more resources into our Food Co-ops—including providing more fresh produce.

We have faith that our community will continue to serve each other—Neighbors Serving Neighbors. Thank you for your support of your neighbors this year. The hope we provide for each other truly is invaluable. I pray you will join us as we continue to innovate and adapt to the changing needs of our neighborhood.

Gratefully,
Brad

**Join us for the
2nd Annual Arts & Eats**

The Hellenic Center
2500 Clairmont Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30329

4:00 - 7:00 PM

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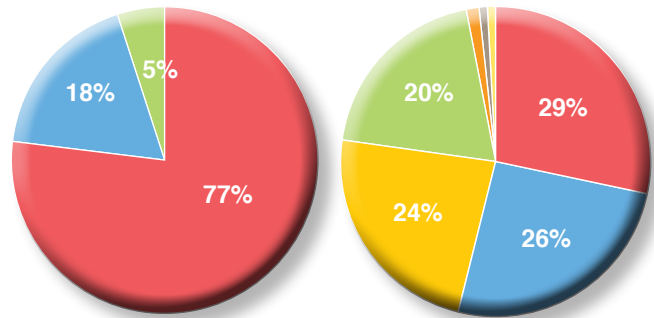
A Fundraiser For
Intown Collaborative Ministries
& Snack in a Backpack

Visit www.intown.org to purchase tickets, become a sponsor, host or patron or donate items.

Our first major fundraising event, Arts & Eats 2013, raised \$66,000—a major step forward in Neighbors Serving Neighbors.

Photography by Lindsay Crompton

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



Total Expenses*		Total Income*	
Total Expenses	\$315,615	Total Income	\$366,351
Program	\$243,998 77%	Individuals	\$105,825 29%
Fundraising	\$57,681 18%	Sponsoring Congregations	\$94,692 26%
Administrative	\$13,946 5%	Foundations	\$86,527 24%
		Events	\$69,481 20%
		Fees	\$5,048 1%
		Businesses	\$2,280 <1%
		Government	\$2,500 <1%

Net revenue: \$50,737

Financial Overview reflects unaudited data.
*Includes cash and in-kind contributions.

2013 DONORS

In 2013, 200 individuals, 12 foundations, and all of our 16 Sponsoring Congregations donated to Intown.

FOUNDATIONS

Atlanta Community Food Bank/Whitehead Foundation	\$31,000
E Z Agape Foundation	\$10,000
The Imlay Foundation	\$10,000
Cecil B. Day Foundation	\$8,000
Anonymous	\$7,500
Henry Luce Foundation	\$5,000
Richard C. Munroe Foundation	\$4,000
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	\$3,000
Anonymous	\$2,200
Anonymous	\$1,500
North Georgia Housing & Homeless Council	\$1,250
Fisher-Crum Foundation	\$1,000

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\$2,500 Emergency Food and Shelter Program

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They Helped Me Lift My Head

Wesley hit a rough patch a few years ago. Even with a college degree and the training of a football player, Wesley found drugs and prison. But he firmly believes that everything happens for a reason and that God didn't want him to live the life he was living.

In January 2012, Wesley moved to Journey, a shelter at Druid Hills Presbyterian Church that partners with Intown Collaborative Ministries. He saw our Heading Home case worker, Maria Carr, speaking with others. But he learned that her case load was heavy and that he had to be referred to Intown's program by shelter staff. Wesley found a part-time job, saved money, and got that referral.

There have been many blessings in Wesley's life. He's back in the life of his daughter, a smart, athletic middle-schooler who told him this past Christmas that she's proud of him. He's back in his church. On the first Sunday he attended after a 10-year absence, a fellow member greeted him by saying "Welcome back." He holds two part-time jobs. Both came to him because he offered to help others and because he impressed people with his attitude and work effort.

Two words you often hear from Wesley are "faith" and "patience." He's got both. "I can't point a finger like I used to," he said. "I feel that God has given me another chance to be the person I'm supposed to be, and I'm going to let everybody know it. If you have faith and patience, He's going to provide."

Wesley says Intown helped him lift his head. He raises us up too.

*"God can open doors that people can't close."
—Wesley*

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