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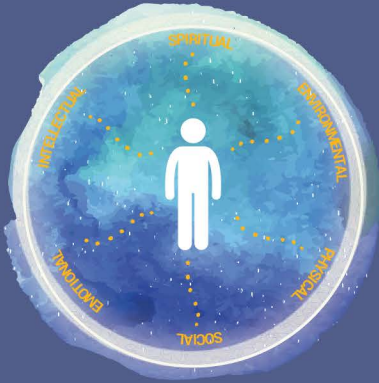
# IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

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*The faithful love of the Lord never ends;  
HIS mercies never end;  
They are new every morning!*

Lamentations 3:22-23

## HOLISTIC WRAP-AROUND RE-ENTRY DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY & SOCIAL SERVICES



### **Spiritual Needs**

Include a church home, fellowship, Bible study, and learning how to live in obedience to God. Spiritual strength helps returning citizens resist temptations to sin and return to crime.

### **Environmental Needs**

Include housing, transportation, and a living wage. Learning to pay bills and live on a budget is essential.

### **Physical Needs**

Include proper medical and mental health care, and treatment for addictions. The returning citizen also needs exposure to proper nutrition.

### **Social Needs**

Having healthy relationships with family and friends. Returning citizens need positive social relationships as part of their support system.

### **Emotional Needs**

May be intense for returning citizens. They need a great deal of support to overcome the distrust, anger, isolation, and stigma of incarceration.

### **Intellectual Needs**

Include schooling, vocational training, and practical skills for daily living. Knowledge enables a person to build a better life.

## SEAMLESS RE-ENTRY DISCIPLESHIP From Inside Out

### **OUR MISSION**

Advancing God's Kingdom through *Seamless Re-entry Discipleship*

### **OUR VISION**

That every CrossWalk Center disciple will live Jesus' promised fuller, greater, richer life – never returning to prison.



### **OUR HISTORY**

CrossWalk Center was founded by Christians from St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, First Presbyterian Church, Grace Bible Church, Calvary Community Church, and His Father's Heart Ministries.

These believers wanted to see the vision fulfilled for a faith-based ministry that provided social services with discipleship to individuals returning to Houston and Harris County after incarceration in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The group wanted to create a safe haven, a hub, where everything that is needed for a chance at successful and sustainable re-entry would be found in one centralized location.

The founding board of directors applied and was granted 501 (c)(3) exempt status in June 2016, under the name CrossWalk Center.

The Center opened its doors in August 2016 as Houston's Hopeful Re-entry Hub. Today, CrossWalk Center remains a 'hub' for re-entry ministry and services thanks to community Partners that serve in re-entry and reintegration with us, providing critical ministry and social services such as: discipleship, counseling, addiction recovery, employment, and healthcare.



Dear CrossWalk Family,

In scripture, the number seven often signifies perfection or completeness. This is significant for CrossWalk Center as we are in on our seventh year. Looking back on 2022, (which was by no means a perfect year), there is comfort in being reminded that only God is true completion and perfection.. Though our efforts may not be perfect, He is able to do great things through our willingness to serve. That willingness is alive and well at CrossWalk Center. I am hopeful that in 2023, through God's grace and mercy, more great things are to come.

Some of the challenges we faced in 2022 were:

- Continued lockdowns and lack of prison access in early 2022. No access to teach *Steppin' Out*, our pathway to share the gospel, teach re-entry discipleship, and prepare those willing individuals for a Christ-centered re-entry upon release.
- A record-breaking housing market with unprecedented price increases and low inventory. This put many properties outside CrossWalk Center's sustainability model for re-entry discipleship housing operations.

As I reflect and give thanks even for the obstacles we faced and overcame, (James 1:2 reminds us to consider, or count it **all** joy.) I also celebrate the triumphs of 2022:

- Welcomed two new directors, Paula Robinson, and Ozie Owen
- Jump-started *Steppin' Out* on three men's prison units and held fast to teaching on three women's units
- Opened the fifth Men's Re-entry Discipleship Home, RTI-Rosebury House
- Launched the Women's Re-entry Discipleship Program in February
- Found and began the process to open the first Women's Re-entry Discipleship Home, Briarwild House
- Launched pilot Life Recovery classes for the Men's Program by joining forces with community partners who specialize in addiction counseling

I know 2023 will have its own challenges and triumphs, but I am confident that we will move forward with eyes wide open, yielded hearts, and fresh hope. I believe God's Word for CrossWalk Center is that our best years are yet still to come:

*For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.*  
Philippians 2:13

Blessings,

*Kathy Vosburg*

Executive Director & President

## Board of Directors Serving in 2022

Stephen Foster, Chair

Fred Robertson, Vice-Chair

Graham Horton, Secretary

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Ann Lawnin

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Jim Lawnin

*"Success is not final;  
failure is not fatal;  
it is the courage  
to continue that counts."*

Winston Churchill



# CROSSWALK DISCIPLES



## Jeffery's STORY

I grew up in a home where alcoholism ran deep on both sides of my family. When I was eight, my neighbor, a police officer, molested and raped me. That experience led me down the dark path of addiction, criminal activity, and violence against others.

April 23, 1991, I was arrested on a serious charge. I should've been severely sentenced but miraculously my charge was reduced.

On Sunday, 9th July 2006, I entered the prison chapel intent on murdering Christians during worship. Instead, God got a hold of me, radically changed my heart, and I gave my life to Jesus Christ right then and there. Back in my cell, I immediately flushed all contraband and quit my prison lifestyle. Four years later, I was selected as an inmate pastor in the faith-based dorm and joined the prison unit ministry team.

I was released September 12, 2022, on super-intensive parole supervision. Crosswalk Center was the only place that would take me in due to my charge.

Shortly after coming to Crosswalk Center, I was hired and placed by New Horizons to work full-time at Refined Technologies. Today, I have a savings account and a checking account. I plan to buy a car with my earnings and income tax refund without getting into debt.

Now, I facilitate Monday and Thursday Life Recovery meetings, and I am a graduate of Disciple the Streets, or DTS class. I thank God every day for the miracles He has worked in my life and for CrossWalk Center.



## CrossWalk Center through the Years

**2016**

**August 1**

Established headquarters at 2103 North Main

**2017**

**March**

Spoke before City Council, opposing stricter halfway housing ordinances and permitting

**2018**

**October 1**

First Home, Harby House #B approved for 13 residents by City of Houston & TDCJ

20 Total Residential Disciples

**2019**

**May 19**

Second Home, Harby House #A approved for 12 residents by City of Houston & TDCJ

44 Total Residential Disciples

## Jenevi's STORY

I am a small-town country girl, raised with a Godly foundation, graduated high school, married, had four beautiful children along the way, and then divorced.

Right out of high school I began to lose my life, family, and identity to my addiction. There were times of sobriety in my life, but I kept falling back into addiction and became homeless. Falling deeper into darkness, I could not see the light. I just wanted to die.

Today, I am grateful to be stepping out in faith after serving my prison sentence. I have been redeemed, determined to stay on this path to rebuild my life living according to God's will.

I have lots of dreams and goals. One dream is to become a Christian counselor or social worker, to love, teach, and to help others in need by walking, talking, and living the Word of God.

I was part of CrossWalk's *Steppin' Out* classes during my prison stay. Then I was accepted into *Startin' Out*, the Women's Residential Re-entry Discipleship Program and new home, Briarwild.

I have wonderful support, and I hope to finish my re-entry and reunite with my family. I want to set an example for them, to show them what it looks like to walk with the Lord. I am grateful to CWC for their guidance, and grateful that my re-entry journey began with CrossWalk.



### 2020

July 12

Third Home,  
Woodwild House  
approved for 12  
residents by TDCJ

Sept 15

Fourth Home,  
Beau Lane House  
approved for 11  
residents by TDCJ

37 Total Residential  
Disciples *during COVID*

### 2021

January

Launched in-prison  
Remote Video  
Conferencing  
of *Steppin' Out*

61 Total Residential  
Disciples *during COVID*

### 2022

June 1

Fifth Home,  
RTI-Rosebury House  
approved for 14  
residents by TDCJ

80 Total Residential  
Disciples

### 2023

February 1

First WOMEN'S Home,  
Briarwild House,  
approved 10 residents  
by City of Houston  
& TDCJ

30 NEW Male  
Residential Disciples

3 NEW Female  
Residential Disciples

## VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- 12 Newly trained discipleship coaches trained
- 9 Newly trained facilitators
- 12 Active coaches
- 9 Active facilitators
- 21 New volunteers
- 70 Total volunteers
- 3,556 Total volunteer hours

*In 2022, National value of one volunteer hour was \$30 or \$107K value in 2022 for CWC*

## WOMEN'S RE-ENTRY DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM

- 493 Total Women Discipled in *Steppin' Out* IN PRISON
- 0 Total Women Discipled in *Startin' Out* Residential Re-entry Discipleship Program (*Home had not been certified and approved for parolees*)

## MEN'S RE-ENTRY DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM

- 202 Total Men Discipled in *Steppin' Out* IN PRISON
- 106 Total Men Discipled in *Startin' Out* Residential Re-entry Discipleship Program
- 25 Men in *Startin' Out* from 2021 into 2022
- 80 New Men Discipled in *Startin' Out* Residential Re-entry Discipleship Program
- 27 Achieved 6-Month Milestone
- 4 Achieved 12-Month Milestone
- 18 Still in *Startin' Out* from 2022

## MEN ACHIEVING 6-MONTH COVENANT MILESTONE IN THE STARTIN' OUT PROGRAM FROM THE CLASSES OF:

- 2018 10 out of 10 living free in 2023 – 5 Years
- 2019 12 out of 13 living free in 2023 – 4 Years
- 2020 20 out of 23 living free in 2023 – 3 Years  
*\*3 of 23 passed away*
- 2021 16 out of 19 living free in 2023 – 1 to 2 Years
- 2022 16 to date out of 33 living free in 2023 – 6 Months to 1 Year

# 2022 At a Glance

**The year was a season of new beginnings and fresh starts for CrossWalk Center.**

In February 2022, Chaplain Paula Robinson joined the staff as the new Women's Program Director to help develop and launch our Women's Re-entry Discipleship program from inside out. The goal was to source and open our first women's discipleship home, so that we could walk our *Steppin' Out* disciples from prison and into their home away from home – the first steps in testing their faith in freedom.

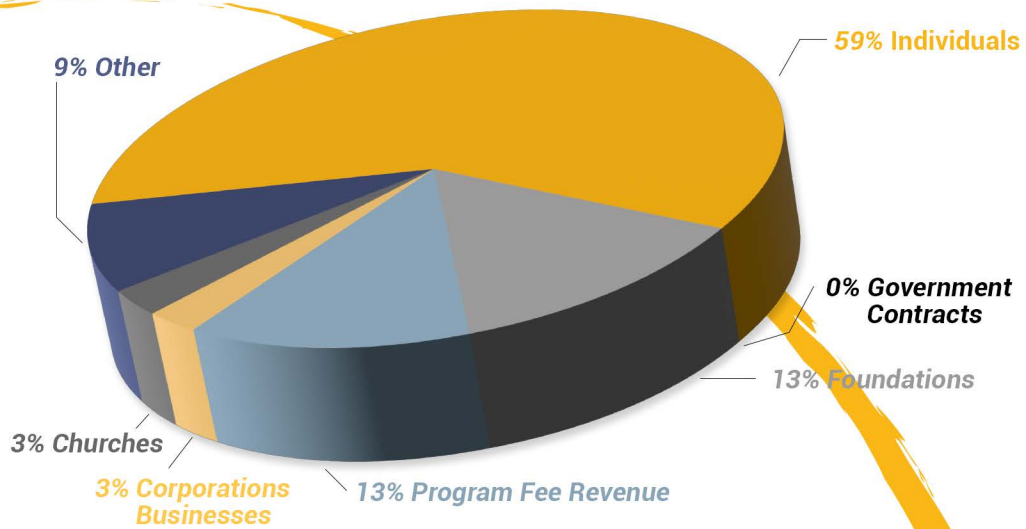
We were able to secure CrossWalk's first women's home, Briarwild House, in August; fully furnished and equipped it in September; and began the permitting processes with both the City of Houston and Texas Department of Criminal Justice Parole Division. The home discipleship program is now up and running with ladies living and learning in Briarwild House. Their physical and spiritual needs are being met by fervent volunteers and dedicated partners under the in-house guidance of Kathy Hammel, Women's Discipleship Life Coordinator, who joined the team February 2023.

March 2022 ushered in a new season of the Men's Re-entry Discipleship program with Dr. Ozie Owen joining the team to serve as our second Men's Program Director to build upon the work of his predecessor, Pastor Charles Anderson. Having experience in international oil and gas as a "turn-around" specialist, as well as a lover of Jesus, "Dr. Love" (as we like to call him) is preparing to grow the men's ministry by developing processes, structures and systems that will ensure the ministry model is expandable and scalable, all while retaining the effectiveness of re-entry discipleship ministry and services.

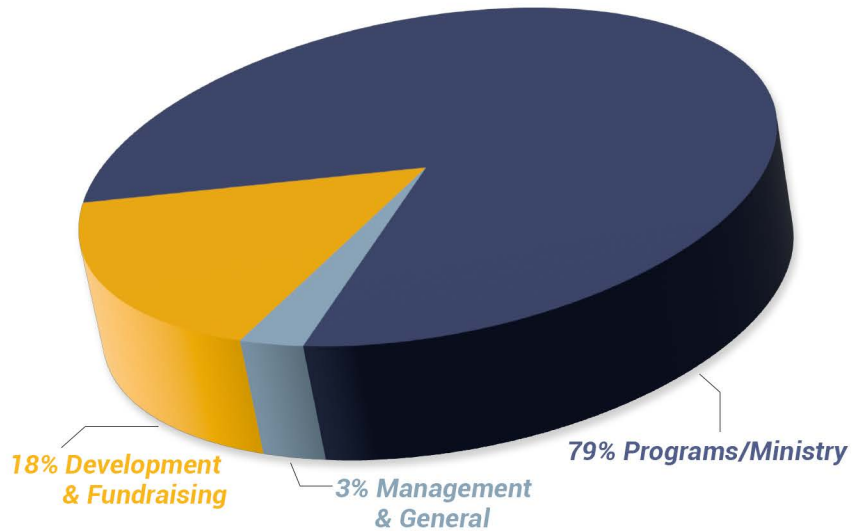
In addition to the new women's home, CrossWalk Center opened its fifth men's home, Rosebury House, where men who have proven themselves live more independently and take on volunteer and support roles for their brothers who are newly released. Rosebury serves as the home where CrossWalk Center pilots new ministry and program ideas, with men who are dedicated to serving the Kingdom and want to give back, sowing into the ministry.

March 2022 also saw TDCJ prisons reopen face-to-face volunteer programming and services, paving the way for CrossWalk Center's *Steppin' Out* re-entry discipleship and character development program to resume for the first time since March 2020. CrossWalk Center has made a concerted effort to regain unit presence through the TDCJ Chaplaincy Department, CrossWalk Center is currently serving in three women's units and three men's units. This is a far cry from the 10 units in which we served pre-Covid, but we're continuously working to regain territory that "the locusts have eaten".

## 2022 SOURCES OF GIVING & REVENUE



## 2022 OPERATING EXPENSES



**FY 2022-23**

Sept 1 – Aug 31

**FUNDING GOAL**  
**\$1,550,000**





## Your Giving Impacts Lives

Your generous gifts have helped disciples like Lavelle and Gaitor get back on their feet, building a new life for themselves in Christ Jesus. Continual support of CrossWalk will result in hundreds more future disciples being able to get their lives back, while learning how to have a deep faith in their new found freedom.



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### INDIVIDUALS

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Shane Anderson  
James Bell  
Dorian Benn  
Ron Bernier  
Gary Beven  
Charles Blank  
George Booth  
Jonathon Bradford  
Lloyd Bratton  
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WoodsEdge Community Church

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