



THE IMPACT

DON'T JUST TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT



In this book you'll find the stories and strength of the people impacted by the work of The Don Bosco Centers. Our mission is **to provide nutrition, education, and a sense of belonging to those in the Kansas City community.** It all started with the hope and inspiring journeys of these individuals and the many more we are lucky to serve.

MORE THAN \$650,000 WENT TOWARDS PROVIDING FREE, NUTRITIOUS MEALS TO SENIORS AND FAMILIES IN NEED.

Dennis is a special homebound client who never fails to warmly welcome our Don Bosco delivery drivers. He is grateful for the produce program as it's a huge help to him. He is wheelchair bound and going to the grocery store can be a challenge. Having the produce delivered to his home removes the barriers of having to schedule transportation. Additionally, Dennis requires a strict intake of plenty of fruits and vegetables due to his physical health conditions.



NUTRITION

Beloved senior, Vernon, has had some health conditions this past year, leaving him homebound. However, this has not stopped Vernon from enjoying the free, hot, nutritious meal the Senior Center has to offer. Now, receiving a meal delivered directly to his door, Vernon looks forward to the visits from his delivery driver. "She makes sure that I get my meals delivered on time, that I have plenty to eat, that I'm not getting into too much trouble at home, or smoking cigars." Vernon looks forward to visiting in-person again soon.

**158,366
MEALS**

**810
SENIORS**

**161
FAMILIES**





The Don Bosco Centers encourages independence and hope in all areas of life. Often times, educating individuals on how to find resources and overcome challenges is the greatest help we can provide. We are proud to offer a variety of English classes, technology, nutrition, and wellness classes, as well as various educational resources to the community.

**300+
STUDENTS**

**20+
COUNTRIES**

**15+
CLASSES**

EDUCATION



The Don Bosco School of English is excited to partner with Kansas City Public Schools to offer classes in different areas across the city. This has opened up more opportunities for many students to attend classes and learn the language.

Dennis and his service dog, Amari, attend the Senior Center every day. He first visited Don Bosco looking to make friends, and soon found a lot more support. He recently typed a letter that read, "I would like to thank you all for the help you have given me. Since I've been here, I've met a lot of wonderful people. I would like to thank you for helping me with the furniture and bedding. More importantly, I would like to say thank you for giving me the new computer." In addition to Dennis' new found friendships, he is grateful for his new computer to assist him with his visually impaired classes.





88%
OF SENIORS REPORTED
FEELING LESS ALONE

4,898
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
REQUESTS FULFILLED

450
FAMILIES OR INDIVIDUALS
CELEBRATED HOLIDAYS,
GRADUATIONS, AND OTHER
IMPORTANT MILESTONES
WITH US

Curtice attended the Senior Center almost daily for 20 years. Recently she started bringing her daughter, Sharon, with her as well. Together they enjoyed the free, hot, nutritious lunch, participated in the many activities, and made lots of friends. When Curtice passed away this past October, Sharon shared, "It's been hard returning to the Senior Center. However, it is a place full of memories I have with my mom, and friendships we both enjoyed together."

Last spring, Nyota Abwe, former Don Bosco student, suffered a massive stroke. She lost all use of her right side and her ability to speak. Supporters of The Don Bosco Centers immediately stepped in to assist. This family of ten, was covered in love through the generosity of donors, volunteers, and other community advocates. The Abwe's received emergency and medical assistance, meals, produce, and more. They were also surrounded by a community who attended graduations, celebrated birthdays, and looked after the children while Nyota was recovering.



SENSE OF BELONGING

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

These stories of support would not be possible without you. Please see below for a breakdown of income and expenses for this past fiscal year. We hope that you will consider getting involved or continue supporting The Don Bosco Centers' mission of **providing nutrition, education, and a sense of belonging to the Kansas City community.**

Total Income: \$2,529,223

- 5% Individuals
- 7% Corporations
- 22% Foundations
- 22% Miscellaneous
- 44% MARC

Total Expenses: \$2,577,779

- 4% Events
- 21% Operations
- 32% Programs
- 43% Personnel