

# a message of hope

**Gwenn Wysling** Executive Director

"If you really want to receive joy and happiness, then serve others with all your heart. Lift their burden, and your own burden will be lighter."

I remember reading this quote and finding comfort in its message on an especially overwhelming day. During the most difficult times, gratitude and service provide us with the inspiration to build a brighter future. Every day I am given the opportunity to see this community come together to lift the burdens from the shoulders of the less fortunate. From a donor walking through the door, to one of our staff consoling a tired and distraught new resident, to former residents sharing their stories of triumph. This year has been filled with challenges, new opportunities, but most importantly I have seen it filled with the heartfelt service of every staff, volunteer, and supporter behind our mission.

I am filled with gratitude for the compassion and generosity shown by each person who comes on site with a donation or sends a gift in the mail. In turn I get to see a child receiving her first pair of boots. An elderly man donning a warm coat before the first snow hits. A young woman enjoying a hearty dinner on a cold winter night. These gestures may seem small, but for people who have nothing they mean the world. It is evidence that there is a community of individuals who care, who have compassion, and who see them as valuable members of our community.

Our gratitude serves as a constant reminder of what is made possible when we work together. Our mission of transforming lives together through shelter, help and hope encourages us to partner with you and our community to help achieve our goal to end homelessness, together. As we enter our 25th year of service, we are forever grateful for your willingness to join us as part of the solution!

With a grateful heart,

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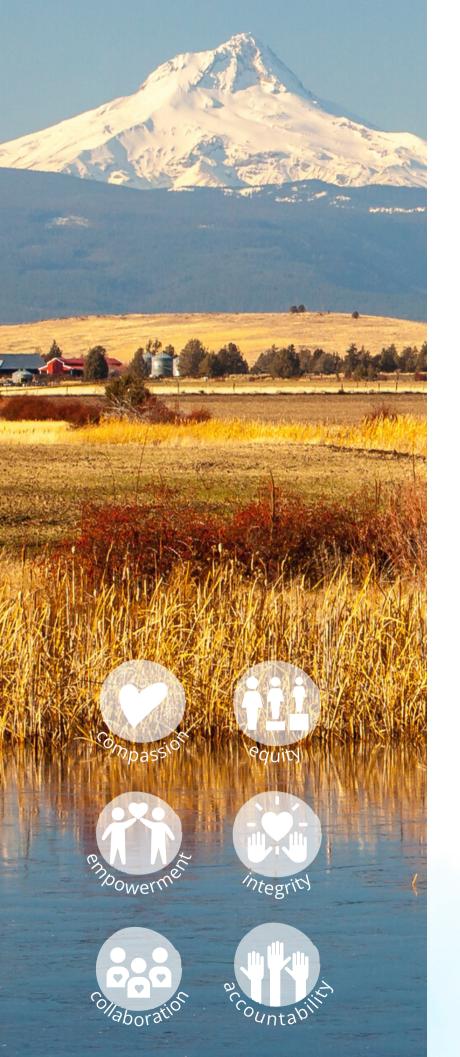
Mike Bonetto
President



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**Rev. Dr. Steven Koski** Vice-President







### **MISSION**

Transforming Lives Together
Through Shelter, Help and Hope

### **VISION**

Ending Homelessness in Central Oregon Together

### **VALUES**

Bethlehem Inn provides compassionate care and equitable services that empower all people served. We require the highest ethical standard of conduct and accountability to maintain the integrity of our services. We seek to provide the highest level of care through collaboration with community partners.

## land acknowledgment

The land on which Bethlehem Inn operates is part of the homeland and traditional territory of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

## Sadie

to Bend to start a new life. I remember just having a backpack with a few things when we showed up to Bethlehem Inn. You took great care of us. It was a big milestone for me seeing strangers care. I remember my bagged lunches for school I was so excited for, and you guys would get me notebooks for starting school or whatever you could do for me and my little sister who was only 3 at the time, and my parents. You let them get on their feet. You gave them a chance. They used it to the fullest. We are all happy and healthy and fulfilled. We have housing and I'm married happily. I wanted to say thank you for being such a good part of my journey. We might not be here today without your help.

## We are all happy and healthy and fulfilled.

I needed you all to know that **the impact you make on people matters**, especially the kids. And 15 years later I still think about the wonderful people I met.

I have a job interview Monday in Portland for helping homeless youth, and human trafficking victims. Thanks to you and some other wonderful programs in Bend, I now live to give back.

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

You're doing great work.



## PART OF THE SOLUTION

Thank you for being part of the solution. Through contributions of time, resources, skill, compassion, and hope, you are making stories like Sadie's possible. Bethlehem Inn is a community of donors, volunteers, and local businesses working together to positively alter the trajectory of the less fortunate. Our mission is only possible through your support and that of our community.

**341**UNIQUE VOLUNTEERS

**9,736**VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS

**\$292,007**FINANCIAL IMPACT





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## YOUR 2023 IMPACT



## Bethlehem Inn is more than just a warm bed.

Everyday your support provides shelter, help, and hope.

Case management services at Bethlehem Inn give vulnerable people access to trained professionals who help establish attainable goals, connect to resources, find employment, and strengthen hope for a brighter future.

Long term stability is a result of support, collaboration, and accountability, key tenets of Bethlehem Inn's unique service model.



75%
Participation
in Case
Management

28,115 Next Steps Bed Nights





94,463 Meals Served

66 Families and 113 Children Served





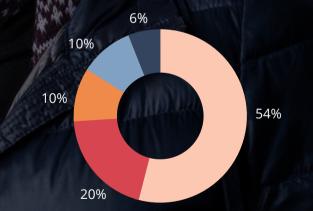
9,139 Family Bed Nights

## **OPERATING FINANCIALS**

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023

### \$3,681,291 Revenues Individuals and Businesses

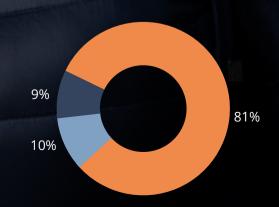
- **Government Grants**
- **Program Contracts**
- Meal Program (In-Kind)
- Foundation/Non-Profit Grants



### **Expenses**

\$3,306,718

- **Program Services\***
- **Fundraising**
- Admin, Tech, Training



\*Includes In-Kind Meal Program Note: financials pending final audit.



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