



### FROM THE HEART OF OUR FOUNDER:

"When I reviewed our January through August 31st numbers, my mind could not comprehend how we were 10% down on food donations and 30% up on the amount of people we were serving. With a 40% combined gap, the only rational explanation is the people we are serving receive less food per person while God multiplies the food in real time. Without both options happening simultaneously, the results are impossible.

**"The things which are impossible with men are possible with God." - Luke 18:27**

Our God continues to maintain the same theme, year after year after year at Grace Klein Community, "will we trust Him to do what we cannot do?"

We are regular ordinary people with the courage **to say yes.**

To say yes to food insecurity, to food rescue, to sharing resources, to building relationships, to risking everything, to kindness, to loving like Jesus, to believing God can restore individuals, families and entire communities.

**We say yes** when we cannot prove the results of our efforts, when we are relying on the generosity of others, when the need is greater than our capacity... because we believe God will compel the next person **to say YES with us!**

Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we cannot see.

Every morning, I wake up and remember, we are in over our heads, and I pray, before my feet hit the floor, surrendering my life to Jesus for a new day and begging Him to lead the way.

And He does.

We live in the miracles of His great provision because we have the crazy faith and audacity to trust Him. We thank you for being part of our "we" and choosing to believe God with us, to leverage your time and giftings, to risk your financial resources because you trust us to steward your dollars, to be faithful with every cent entrusted into our care. We are giving our lives to the mission, all in, no looking back, no white flags.

Write the check, book a serve team, pray for food donations. Your contribution matters. Your belief in the impossible matters. Your Yes Matters!"

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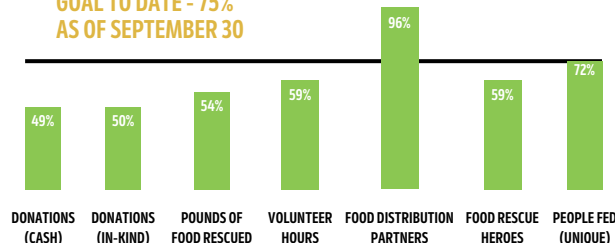
**All for Jesus,**





### 2024 GOAL TRACKER

**GOAL TO DATE - 75%  
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30**



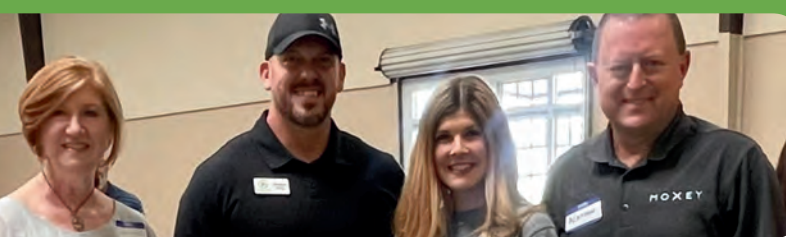
Metrics	Complete To Date	Goal
DONATIONS (CASH)	\$849,917.99	\$1,750,000
DONATIONS (IN-KIND)	\$9,209,129.63	\$18,592,500
POUNDS OF FOOD RESCUED	1,734,824	3,200,000
VOLUNTEER HOURS	88,539	150,000
FOOD DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS	243	252
FOOD RESCUE HEROES	354	600
PEOPLE FED (UNIQUE)	389,122	544,000



### BARRELS: FILL 'ER UP

90 barrels have been deployed throughout the city in the first three quarters. 30 more to go to reach our 2024 goal! The barrels collect essential items such as non-perishable food, shoes, school supplies, and Christmas gifts. Generous contributions benefit families both locally and globally, making a significant impact in our community and beyond.

As we approach the holiday season, we invite you to consider hosting a barrel drive for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Holiday food support and Christmas love will **extend the love of Jesus** to Birmingham families. Let's continue to spread hope and kindness together! If you're interested in hosting a barrel, visit [barrel.gkcbhm.org](https://barrel.gkcbhm.org).



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GRACE KLEIN <COMMUNITY>

## FOR THE LOVE OF LEARNING

Elevate welcomed 14 high school students from Birmingham and surrounding areas for an enriching 4-week internship program.

God provided a 15-passenger van two days before the program start, thanks to an anonymous funder, equipping us to travel to many offsite opportunities throughout the session. During June and July, students participated in various volunteer opportunities and activities, math and reading enrichment classes, ACT prep, character and leadership development, and job readiness training.

32 businesses, churches, and individuals sponsored our Fun Fridays, lunches, leadership classes, and other essential resources, plus \$8,500 in grant funding contributed to the success of our program. Elevate creates a vibrant learning environment and memorable experiences for our students.

Interested in enrolling your children next year? Check out: [elevate.gkcbhm.org](http://elevate.gkcbhm.org). Help sponsor next year's program at [business.gkcbhm.org](http://business.gkcbhm.org)



## NETWORKING AT NOON: GROW IN AUTHENTICITY

Grace Klein Community hosts monthly Networking at Noon events to provide a connection opportunity for like-minded business professionals with purposeful networking and a complimentary lunch. Attendees answer an intentional question, in a "speed dating" format to grow in authenticity and mutual understanding.

A huge thank you to our 11 lunch sponsors: Chick-fil-a The Grove, Magic City Chefs, MealFit Catering, Troups Pizza, Mama Suz Fried Pies, Taziki's McCalla, Chick-fil-a McCalla, Texas Roadhouse, Chicken Salad Chick sponsored by DotEdison, Zaxby's Palisades, and The Bright Star who have generously sponsored the luncheons in 2024 equipping us to invest in 201 unique attendees. Don't miss out on a creative space to grow your network and build relationships.

**RSVP for our next event: [networking.gkcbhm.org](http://networking.gkcbhm.org)**



## SCHOOL SUPPLIES: EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS

We are overjoyed by the results of our school supply giveaway! Thanks to 24 businesses, churches and non-profit organizations, plus individuals, we provided essential supplies to 823 children—far surpassing our goal of 500. In 2023, we served 375 children and in one year we increased by 119%. Your YES lifted a huge burden off families, ensuring students in our community are ready and excited for the school year ahead. We shared our abundance with Westwood Baptist Church, Bundles of Hope Diaper Bank, and First Priority of Greater Birmingham, extending our reach to even more families!

# WHAT'S COMING AROUND THE BEND?



**30 GIFTS IN 30 DAYS**  
NOVEMBER 1

[CHANCE.FEEDBHM.ORG](http://chance.feedbhm.org)



**GIVING TUESDAY**  
DECEMBER 3

[GIVINGTUESDAY.GKCBHM.ORG](http://givingtuesday.gkcbhm.org)



**THE REINDEER DASH**  
DECEMBER 21

[DASH.FEEDBHM.ORG](http://dash.feedbhm.org)



**CHRISTMAS SPONSORSHIPS**  
OCTOBER 1

[SPONSOR.GKCBHM.ORG](http://sponsor.gkcbhm.org)



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