

Your Impact Through Beacon

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SOLUTIONS FOR PEOPLE IN POVERTY



2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Beacon, Inc.



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SHALOM CENTER

PHIL'S KITCHEN

FRIEND'S PLACE

STREET OUTREACH

RAPID RE-HOUSING

CRAWFORD HOMES

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OUR MISSION

Beacon, Inc. is dedicated to aiding and empowering adults and children experiencing extreme poverty, especially hunger and homelessness.

OUR VISION

Beacon envisions a community that honors every person's fundamental right to sustenance, a safe home, quality health care, and meaningful work. We see ourselves as a key leader in providing the full range of support and services for people dealing with poverty and homelessness in South Central Indiana.

OUR VALUES

HOSPITALITY: We extend community beyond the margins to include those unserved by society and invite all people into our safe and welcoming space.

DIGNITY: We value the worth and dignity of every person, treating all with compassion and respect.

EMPOWERMENT: We increase the economic and social strength of those we serve and support people to make choices that improve the quality of their lives.

HOPE: We believe in the possibility each person possesses to create a sustainable, healthy and happy life and nurture that hope in all people.

From Our Executive Director



"Homelessness is solvable."
- Built for Zero

2021 was a tough year. It was the year when Bloomington had the most COVID-19 cases within the homelessness population. It was also the year of spiking COVID-induced street homelessness, culminating in the camp built in Seminary Park.

2021 was also the year of creative responses. Beacon ran the Monroe County Isolation Shelter, supporting 274 adults and children without homes as they sought a safe place to isolate due to COVID. Beacon also opened an emergency winter shelter for 4 months to help those sleeping outside, providing a warm place to sleep for as many as 70 people each night.

But perhaps the number you and I should be most proud of is the 676 people who, together, we helped move into or avoid evictions from their homes. A good friend recently reminded me that success is not a full shelter, but an empty one.

May you and I continue on that journey until the shelters are empty and homelessness is no more.

With gratitude on that life-giving journey,

Rev. Forrest Gilmore, Executive Director
(812) 334-5734, x122, forrest@beaconinc.org

Why We Do It: **A Beacon Success Story**



“[Without Beacon], I would have been lost. I would probably be another statistic... Because in homelessness, you’ve already lost hope.” - Ty

Following a bad breakup, Ty was left alone in her home to care for her two children. But the bills became too much, and even though she was enlisted in the Army National Guard, she became homeless.

She lived with friends for six months before making the painful choice to leave her children with family and seek shelter. She described herself as "homeless, hopeless, and jobless."

That's when she came to Beacon's Friend's Place.

Beacon staff quickly went to work supporting her. Within three days, she was connected with a housing option through a program for vets and within thirty days, she was back home.

Ty is now reconnecting with her children and working as a behavior technician for children with autism. She also gives back by regularly volunteering at Beacon.

“We’re all just people. We all have a story. There’s greatness in all of us. And we greatly appreciate all that you’ve put into us.”

Voices of Support

"A lot of people helped me when I was doing well. Beacon was the only one that loved me when I wasn't." - Misty



"I'm grateful for the chances I'm given every day. I'm grateful for love in the world. I'm grateful for people that keep on hoping... Your help and your love make the difference." - Rebecca



[Without Beacon], my life would be unmanageable. I [now] have my own place and I'm very independent." - Janelle



"I probably would be dead. Half of us would be dead. You gave us a chance to be ourselves. More than anybody you gave us a chance." - Cathy



THE BIG THREE

In 2021, thanks to you, Beacon...



**served 69,385
meals**



**provided 18,239
nights of shelter**



**housed 676
people**

2021 By The Numbers

Shalom Center

Hunger Relief & Life Essentials

- 69,385 meals
 - incl. 19,824 weekend meals
- 3,387 loads of laundry
- 8,654 showers
- 173 IDs
- 5,720 bus tickets

Homelessness Case Management

- 459 people without homes assisted
- 53% moved into permanent housing

Case Management

- 7,850 casework counseling sessions
- 209 households helped with rent or utilities
- 43 people helped with prescriptions
- 33 people without homes reunited with out-of-town families

Our Other Programs

Friend's Place

- Sheltered 368 people for 18,239 bed-nights
- Average length of stay: 69 days

Street Outreach

- 73 people received case management on the streets
- 70% of moved into homes

Rapid Re-Housing & Homeless Prevention

- Housed 110 people formerly experiencing homelessness, including 100 people in families (67 children)
- Prevented homelessness for 92 people (35 children)

Crawford Homes Permanent Supportive Housing

- Provided homes for 139 people formerly experiencing chronic homelessness due to disabilities

Isolation Shelter

- Provided shelter for 274 adults and children experiencing homelessness, who needed to isolate after exposure to or contracting COVID-19.

Beacon's Financial Supporters

We are very grateful to all of you who have offered generous financial support to help our most vulnerable neighbors

\$5,000+

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Our Volunteer Supporters

*Thank you to our **935** volunteers who gave a total of **8,839** hours in 2021! The monetary value of their volunteer time is **\$264,728.05!**
A special thank you to these volunteers who gave 50+ and 100+ hours of service in 2021*

Volunteers with 100+ hours of service

Abbie Aldridge	Ann Gilbert	Gabby Pastere
Kira Axiom	Hannah Gorman	Viraj Patel
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Daniel Garst	Jim Orr	

Volunteers with 50+ hours of service

Jan Briggs	Travis Hendrickson	Sue Majerak
Julie Farris	Kim Hovis	James Sickmeier
Caleb Glon	Marlin Howard	Sheila Taylor

Grant Support

Thank you to our 2021 grant funders

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2021 Revenue & Expense Summary

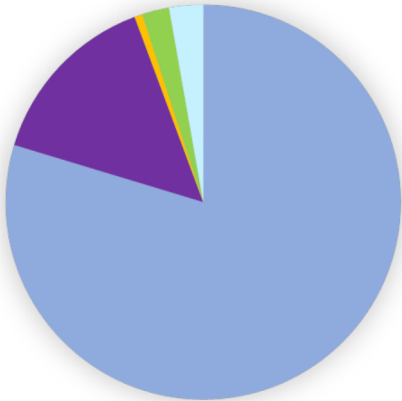
Revenue

Government:	\$3,463,966.45
Individuals, Businesses, Organizations:	\$653,254.43
Faith Communities:	\$27,396.77
Private Grants:	\$95,000.00
Other:	\$207,397.58
Total:	\$4,447,015.23

Expenses

Personnel:	\$1,641,923.43
Administrative:	\$46,852.85
Facility & Utilities:	\$225,692.58
Fundraising:	\$13,769.17
Misc Expenses:	\$385,825.27
(incl Isolation Shelter Rents)	
Housing & Client Support:	\$1,582,268.44
Total:	\$3,896,331.74

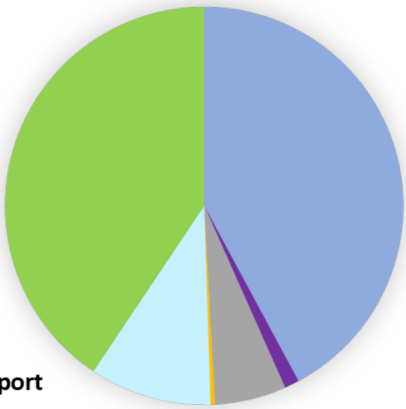
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How You Can Help

Through your support of Beacon, you can make a major difference in the lives of people struggling with poverty



Give:

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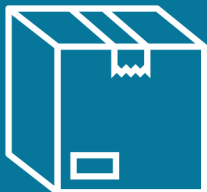
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Volunteer:

Contact our Volunteer Coordinator at **tory@beaconinc.org**



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