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# YOUR IMPACT WITH BEACON

## 2025 ANNUAL REPORT



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BEACON



# SOLUTIONS FOR PEOPLE IN POVERTY

## **OUR MISSION**

Beacon, Inc. is dedicated to aiding and empowering individuals 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.

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# FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**“You pray for the hungry.  
Then you feed them. This is  
how prayer works.”  
- Pope Francis**



Beacon celebrated 25 years of service in 2025 and I celebrated 15 years with the organization. And I can honestly say this was one of the hardest years we've had since I've been around.

Wading through such challenging times, I've been thinking about what makes Beacon Beacon. What's the essence of who we are?

And I keep returning to the word, tough. It's not the only word, but it's a good word.

Beacon is tough.

We face challenge after challenge and find a way through. This is who we are. We get things done.

And we do it thanks to you! Your support allows Beacon to stand in the struggle, helping people find their way home.

This report is a documentation of all that grit, reminding us some toughness is good for the world!

With blessings,

Rev. Forrest Gilmore, Executive Director

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# WHY WE DO IT: A BEACON SUCCESS STORY

**“I wouldn’t have been able to do it without Beacon.” - Amber**

Amber sought refuge at Beacon during a difficult time after her mother passed away, leaving her and her two children without a home. Forced to flee at night, they entered a domestic violence shelter, confronting the threat of homelessness and sleeping on the streets.



**“I don’t know where we would have went. I really don’t know. It was a scary, scary time.”**

Amber then met one of Beacon’s Family Housing case managers at a domestic violence shelter, who assisted her with financial understanding, work advocacy, and finding a stable home. Beacon secured a townhouse for her and coordinated movers to safely retrieve her belongings, ensuring her protection from further harm.

**“It took so much weight of the world off my shoulders for what we were already going through. And honest to God, it was one of the best moments that has happened in our lives.”**

Beacon continued to support Amber after securing her housing by covering her rent for nearly a year and offering assistance during health challenges. They ensured she could provide Christmas for her kids, with her case manager even bringing gifts for them.

Thanks to your support, Amber's family is thriving. Her children are succeeding: her son was accepted into a college program while in 8th grade, and her daughter is a 5th grade honor roll student excited to host sleepovers in their new home.

Amber’s dream is to buy a home of her own and to get a new car. She is also looking forward to the possibility of getting a new job where she gets to help others.

**“I hope that one day I can touch people the way [Beacon] touched me. That’s the kind of legacy I’d like to leave.”**

Your support enables stories like Amber's. Beacon's programs help individuals and families regain stability during crises. Thank you for contributing to our mission of providing hope, hospitality, dignity, and empowerment.

# VOICES OF SUPPORT



**“We were making calls every day, looking at apartments. [Beacon] brought me food, furniture, everything I needed to make this work.” - Elizabeth**



**“That word home... I never knew how much it meant until I had one again.” - Candance**



**“Beacon is a family. If it weren’t for you guys, I would be dead.”  
- Rhonda**

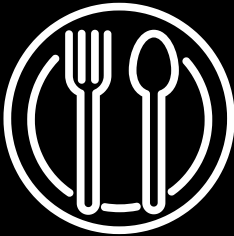


**“They saw a man trying to do right by his child... They believed in us when no one else would.” - Alan**

# THE BIG THREE

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THANKS TO YOU,  
IN 2025 BEACON...



Served  
**62,055**  
Meals



Provided  
**14,122**  
Nights of  
Shelter



Housed  
**667**  
People

# 2025 IMPACT NUMBERS

## Day Center (Shalom Center)

### Hunger Relief & Life Essentials

- 62,055 meals
- 5,433 showers
- 159 IDs
- 7,527 bus tickets

### Case Management

- 3,203 casework counseling sessions
- 142 households helped with rent or utilities
- 30 people helped with prescriptions
- 13 people without homes reunited with out-of-town families

## Emergency Shelter (Friend's Place)

- Sheltered 297 people
- Provided 14,122 nights of shelter

## Family Housing (Rapid Re-housing)

- Housed 343 people formerly experiencing homelessness, including 338 people in families (200 children)

## Supportive Housing (Crawford Homes)

- Provided homes for 116 people formerly experiencing chronic homelessness due to disabilities

# BEACON'S FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS

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

## \$25,000+

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*Thank you to all of our in-kind donors who contributed goods and services in 2025, including those whose donations totaled \$250+*

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*and ten anonymous donors*

## OUR VOLUNTEER SUPPORTERS

*Thank you to our 453 volunteers who gave a total of 11,263 hours with a monetary value of \$367,399.06 of volunteer time in 2025. A special thank you to those volunteers who gave 50-99 and 100+ hours of service in 2025*

### **VOLUNTEERS WITH 100+ HOURS OF SERVICE**

Andrew Appel  
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### **VOLUNTEERS WITH 50-99 HOURS OF SERVICE**

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# 2025 REVENUE & EXPENSE SUMMARY\*

(INCLUDES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN)

## REVENUE

Government:	\$2,566,033.18
Contributions:	\$2,213,226.15
Private Grants:	\$18,000.00
Occupancy Fees:	\$86,836.60
Investment & Interest	
Income:	\$37,785.38
Other:	\$15,768.50

**Total: \$4,937,649.81**

## EXPENSES

Housing &	
Client Support:	\$1,697,917.25
Personnel:	\$1,547,646.75
Administrative:	\$91,689.74
Fundraising:	\$185,717.05
Facilities & Utilities:	\$375,791.70
Misc. Expenses:	\$306.50

**Total: \$3,899,068.99**

*\*Numbers unaudited*

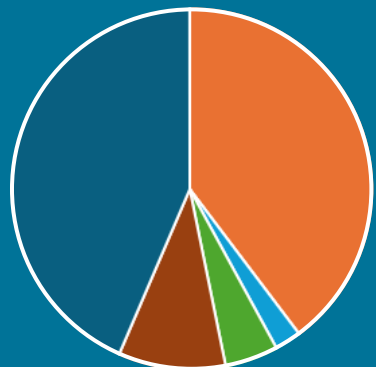
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- Government
- Contributions
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- Occupancy Fees
- Investment & Interest Income
- Other

## EXPENSES

- Housing & Client Support
- Administrative
- Fundraising
- Facilities & Utilities
- Personnel
- Misc. Expenses



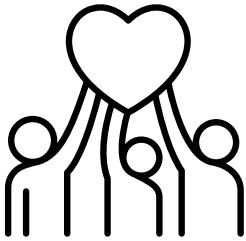
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## How You Can Help

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



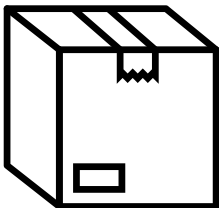
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### Volunteer:

To fill out a volunteer application, please visit our website at **beaconinc.org**



### In-kind Donations:

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