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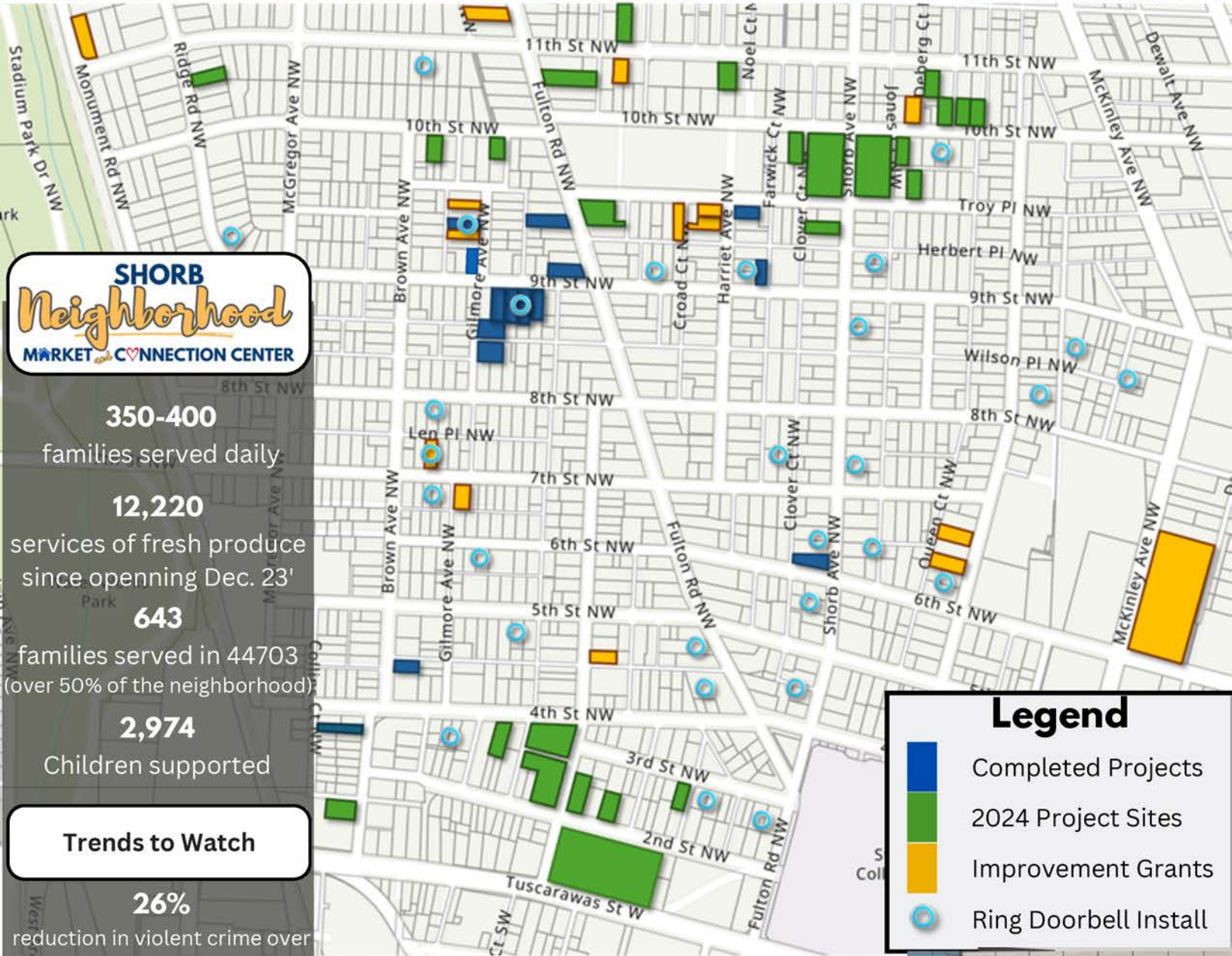


Canton For All People making its mark in Shorb neighborhood

Kelly Byer Canton Repository | USA TODAY NETWORK

CANTON - Three newly constructed houses, eight renovated residences and a community center. Those are what Canton For All People intends to accomplish in the greater Shorb neighborhood this year. • In the past eight months, the community development corporation created by Cross-

CANTON FOR ALL PEOPLE IMPACT(2023-2025)



SHORB
Neighborhood
MARKET CONNECTION CENTER

350-400
families served daily

12,220
services of fresh produce
since opening Dec. 23'

643
families served in 44703
(over 50% of the neighborhood)

2,974
Children supported

Trends to Watch

26%
reduction in violent crime over
the last 7 years. City of Canton
reduction of 10% in the same
time period.

25%
decrease in reported crimes
since 2021.

100%
Rehabbed and new construction
homes appraise at or above
development costs

Legend

- Completed Projects
- 2024 Project Sites
- Improvement Grants
- Ring Doorbell Install

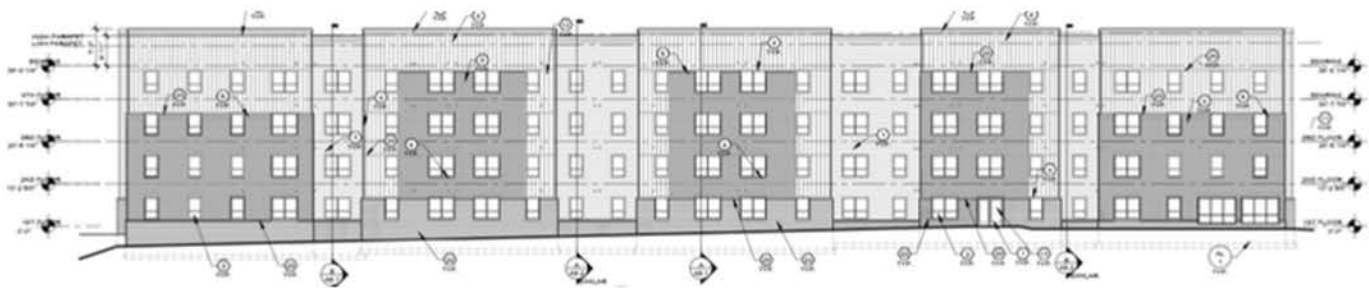


NEWTON FAMILY APARTMENTS

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CREATING AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

 3
 1.5
 1450
 Sq ft



 1104 9th St. NW Canton, 44703

\$149,344 Development Cost
 \$181-185 with 2 car garage

Current average rent in Canton

\$850

\$150,000 mortgage (30yr) at 6.8% interest

\$760

Average first year earnings Ohio resident with bachelors degree

\$44,549

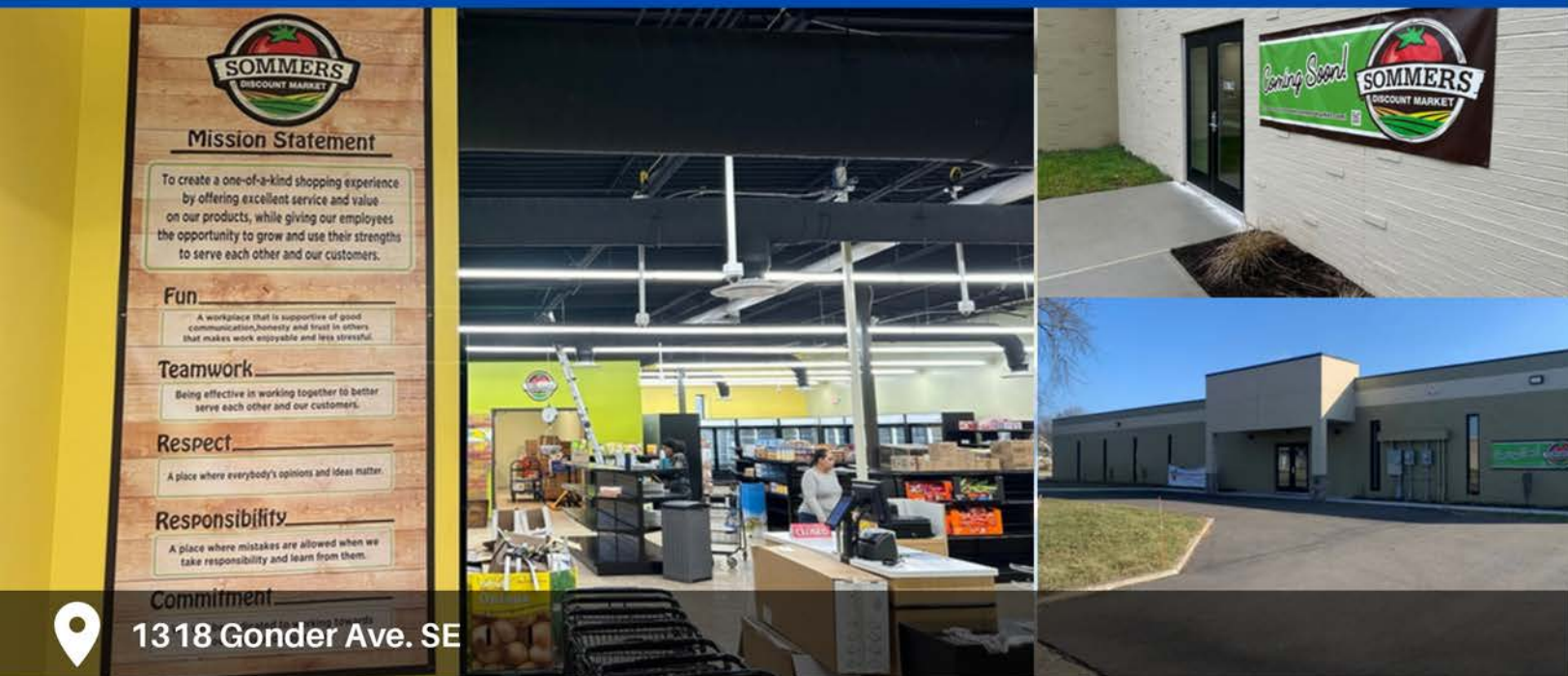
Monthly housing expenses

\$1,113.72

In March 2024, Canton for All People completed its first new construction home at 1104 9th St. NW Canton, 44703. The home is 1450 sq ft. with 3 bedrooms and 1.5 bathrooms with energy efficient and high quality finishes. The total build cost for the home was \$149,344. Due to the energy efficient design and upgrades, total utilities in the home have run just over \$100 per month. The home appraised for \$167,000 and is already sold. Canton for All People is constructing 10 more homes in the Greater Shorb Neighborhood in 2024 and another 10 in 2025 in partnership with the City of Canton. We have recently added a 3 bedroom ranch design and are working to develop other home designs to suit the diverse range of local housing needs that fit the character of the neighborhood. Canton for All People has renovated 9 homes and are working on 4.



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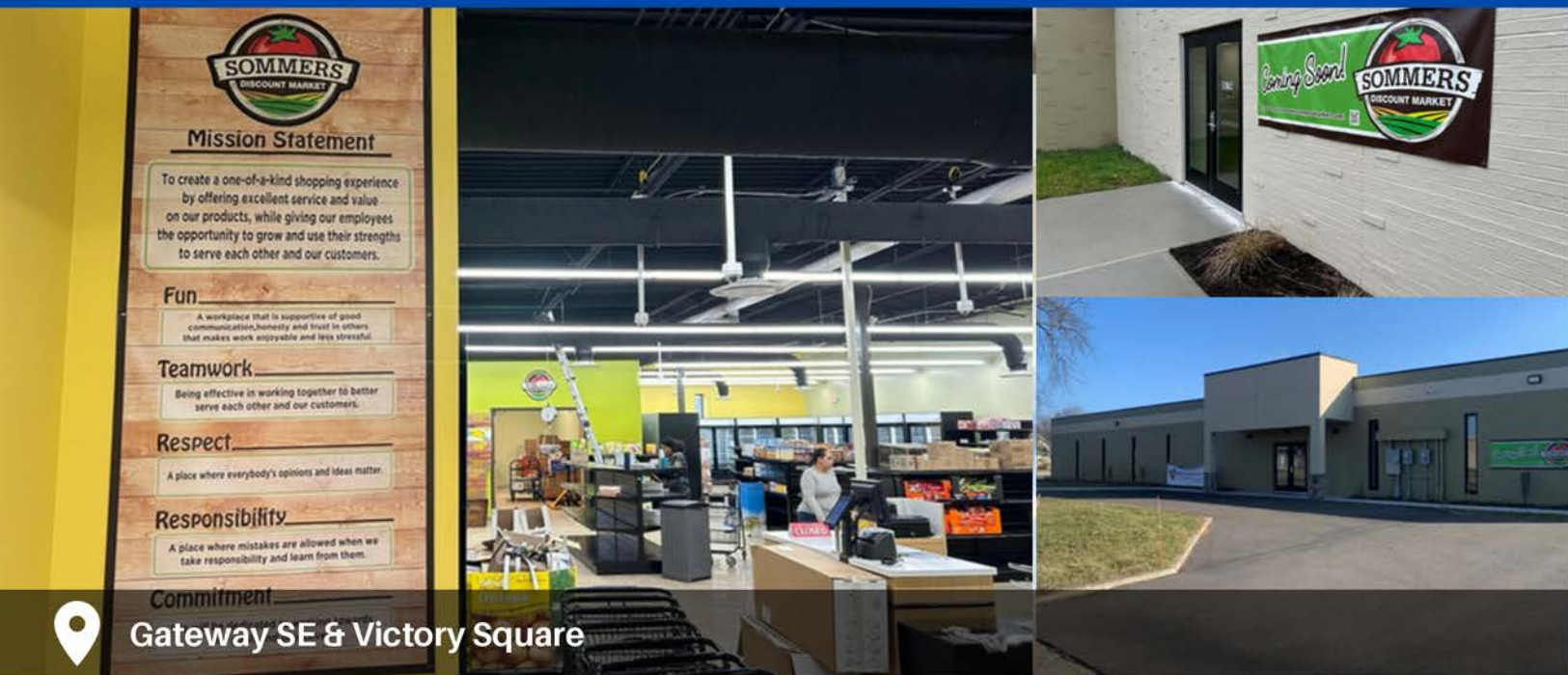


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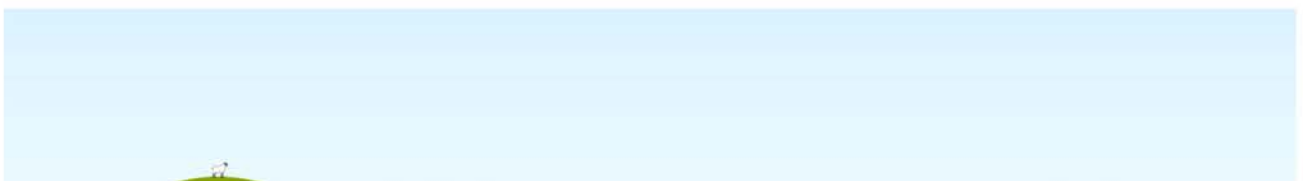
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OVERVIEW

2022 was a year of seeing many of the hopes, dreams, and aspirations we and the community share come to fruition. In collaboration with the City of Canton, the Canton Inn has been demolished, and partnerships have been established that we hope will help bring new housing to the Newton area. We launched neighborhood safety programs, assisted homeowners with needed repairs, and renovated blighted housing in the Greater Shorb Neighborhood. We took great strides towards realizing the dream of a health center and grocery store in our Southeast Neighborhood and organized renters in our community to advocate for better living conditions. We also created new partnerships that helped homeless families and students find permanent housing, and we expanded our summertime kids programs to the Gibbs and Southeast Neighborhoods. I hope you enjoy reading about these and other highlights from 2022.



DON ACKERMAN

Executive Director



CANTON INN

We thank the City of Canton for their partnership and funding to demolish the Canton Inn. Enough cannot be said about their support as we worked to broker this purchase, rehoused residents living there, and collaborated with developers to help bring new life to this area of our city. While there is much we could say about this project, news outlets and the community did a tremendous job of telling the story for us:

Fox 8: "Nuisance Motel Demolished"

Repository: "Looking back from Travel Lodge to Canton Inn"

Repository: "City of Canton Tears Down Notorious Canton Inn"

Cleveland 19: "Canton City Officials Tear Down Building to Fight Crime and Drug Activity"

Repository: "Canton Inn was a Home for Some, a Mission Field for Others"

C4AP in partnership with the City of Canton and the NRP Group will be submitting an application for a 9% Low-Income Tax Credit to bring affordable housing, retail-space, and community services to the site of the former Canton Inn in 2023.



BEFORE

818 GILMORE AVE NW



AFTER

HOME RENOVATIONS

Canton for All People purchased 10 homes in 2022 and completed renovations of a single-family home (the photo above) and a duplex. Work continues on our homes thanks to a grant that allowed us to hire our own construction crew. These



Left to right: Omari, Michael, Ken, and Dillan

gentlemen are the backbone of our renovation program and continue to develop as a team doing quality work. With 20% of the homes in the Greater Shorb Neighborhood either vacant or blighted, we look forward to continuing to provide quality and affordable places to live in the community with the assets we have.

HOMEOWNER IMPROVEMENTS



Our Shorb Neighborhood Improvement Program completed nearly \$50,000 worth of projects in the Greater Shorb Neighborhood. These projects included siding, roofs, porches, landscaping, as well as sidewalk repairs. We are set to receive additional grant funding in 2023 to expand this program and invest in even more homeowners this coming year.



SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY WELLNESS CENTER

For far too long, our city’s southeast neighborhood has lacked the resources it needs to thrive. The US Department of Agriculture identifies SE Canton as a food desert where many residents do not have easy access to healthy and affordable food. To address the needs in the neighborhood and utilize the assets of our Canton community, Canton for All People, the City of Canton, My Community Health Center, StarkFresh, and community churches have collaborated to bring the “Southeast Community Wellness Center” to the neighborhood. Beginning in January 2023, construction will commence at 1318 Gonder Ave. SE, a currently vacant, 11,000sq ft. space that will house a federally funded health center and neighborhood grocery specializing in fresh and healthy foods. This dream is brought together thanks to the generosity of the City of Canton, The East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church, Local United Methodist Churches, The Hoover Foundation, The Stark Community Foundation, and the North Canton Medical Foundation.

SHORB NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY PROGRAM

From a community town hall which we hosted in early 2022, neighborhood residents suggested a Ring Doorbell initiative as a way of providing peace of mind to residents of the neighborhood. After talking with community members, law enforcement, and non-profit partners, we installed 50 of these doorbells in 2022. We are working to expand this popular program in 2023.





CANTON KIDS!

In 2021, Canton for All People talked with residents to ask why they did not feel safe playing in their local park. That summer, we started King Park Kids! and in 2022, we expanded our program to two more parks at Gibbs Elementary and Skyline Terrace in the Southeast Neighborhood. C4AP staffs local parks every weekday through the summer with fun activities, and in 2022, we took kids from the neighborhoods to the Akron Zoo and an Akron RubberDucks game. Most of the children had never been to a baseball game before. Each day, our staff supervised anywhere from 25-75 kids and was commended by multiple community members for their work and care they showed our community's children. We look forward to another summer of fun in 2023.

SHORB NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY



Partnering with the United Way of Greater Stark County, we organized the first annual Shorb Neighborhood Block Party. The event was a huge success in many different ways that was best evidenced as children grabbed our staff to give them suggestions on next year's block party. We blocked off all of Shorb Ave. for food trucks, music, and bounce houses for the neighborhood, and *(if the kids get their way)* we will need even more streets in 2023 for what will be a terrific day.



HELPING HOMELESS FAMILIES

On any given day, C4AP provides case management for dozens of homeless or at risk families with children enrolled at Canton City Schools. In 2022, we rehoused 15 families. We work to find or provide these families temporary and permanent housing solutions after experiencing homelessness. For this annual report, we want to highlight our newest partnership with Malone University who has opened dormitory rooms to unaccompanied minors enrolled in the school district providing them a place to live, peer mentorship, and a place to dream about a brighter future. In 2022, C4AP also housed one family permanently in a home that we renovated where we continue to follow up on the family and provide needed support.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZING



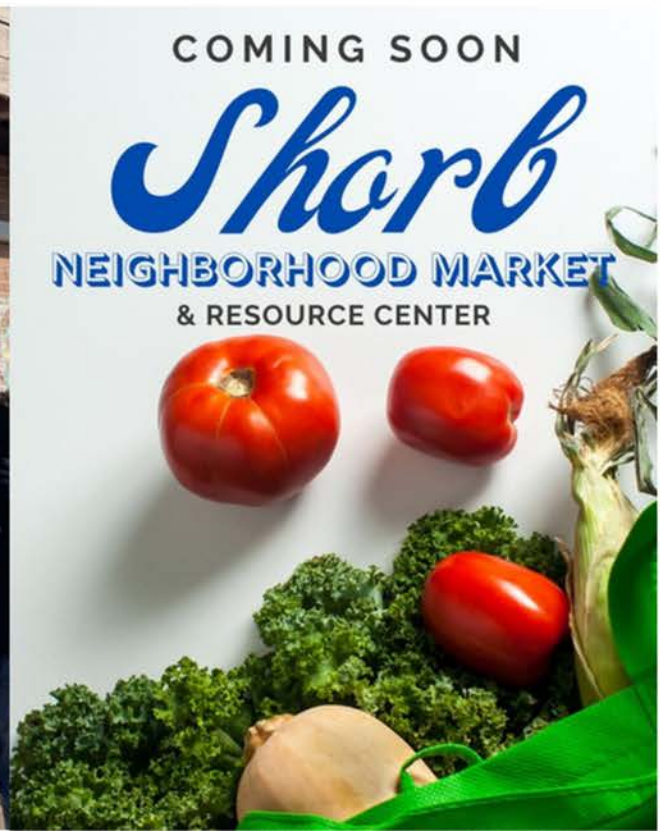
Nearly 75% of some of our downtown neighborhoods consist of renters. Housing conditions in these rentals is a consistent challenge. Coupled with inflation and rising rents in 2022, tenants often have little recourse against landlords who abuse their positions. C4AP has established multiple "Tenant Unions" in the city to help residents band together, advocate for tenants' rights, and provide legal services where needed. Community Legal Aid and their team have been tremendous partners in this work and continue to help us navigate challenging circumstances and "stand in the gap" with us to ensure the most vulnerable members of our community are not taken advantage of.



SHORB NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET & RESOURCE CENTER

C4AP began work on a very special project in the Greater Shorb Neighborhood. In 2022, we were able to purchase what used to be the old Marshall Maytag (above) at 603 Shorb Ave. This building, that has been vacant since 1997, will be renovated to become the Shorb Neighborhood Market and Resource Center. It will provide fresh foods, community resources, and community classroom space to be used for neighborhood events and gatherings. C4AP will continue its partnership with Crossroads UMC to improve access to healthy foods in the 44703 zip code by moving the Canton Fresh Market from our downtown location to Shorb Ave. The Canton Free Store and Fresh Market provided over 27,000 services of fresh produce to individuals in 2022, and we look forward to improving that access for neighborhoods and bringing positive development back to Shorb Ave.

TomTod Youth creating C4AP chalk art on 603 Shorb





CANTON FREE STORE & FRESH MARKET

The Canton Free Store and Fresh Market is a joint collaboration between Crossroads UMC and C4AP. The Free Store and Fresh Market provides gently used clothing, household items, and fresh produce to individuals and families in a hospitable atmosphere that affirms the self-worth of each individual. This year was a record year in the number of services provided and amount of fresh produce distributed.

726,138

POUNDS OF FOOD

27,837

FRESH FOOD SERVICES

16,235

**UNIQUE PEOPLE
SERVED**

1,603

**GROCERY
DELIVERIES**



SUPPORTING GIBBS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

8,000

**WEEKEND MEAL
BAGS**

**(7 MEALS OR SNACKS
EACH BAG)**

As the K-3 School for the Shorb Neighborhood, C4AP and Crossroads UMC teamed up to meet the request from school administrators and teachers for weekend meal bags at Gibbs Elementary. Each week, we pack and directly distribute these bags to students ensuring no child goes hungry over the weekend.



OUR PARTNERS AND SUPPORTERS

Organizations & Foundations

Lemmon Foundation
The City of Canton
DeHoff Family Foundation
Winkhart & Minor LLC
Lemmon Development
United Way of Greater Stark County
Key Bank
Huntington Bank
The Hoover Foundation
Schleich Family Charitable Fund
Renaissance Charitable Foundation
415 Group
Maloney + Novotny

Faith Community Partners

Crossroads United Methodist Church
East Ohio Conference of the UMC
Tuscarawas District of the UMC
Church of the Lakes UMC
Faith United UMC
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First UMC of Cuyahoga Falls
Greentown UMC
Simpson UMC
Crosspoint UMC

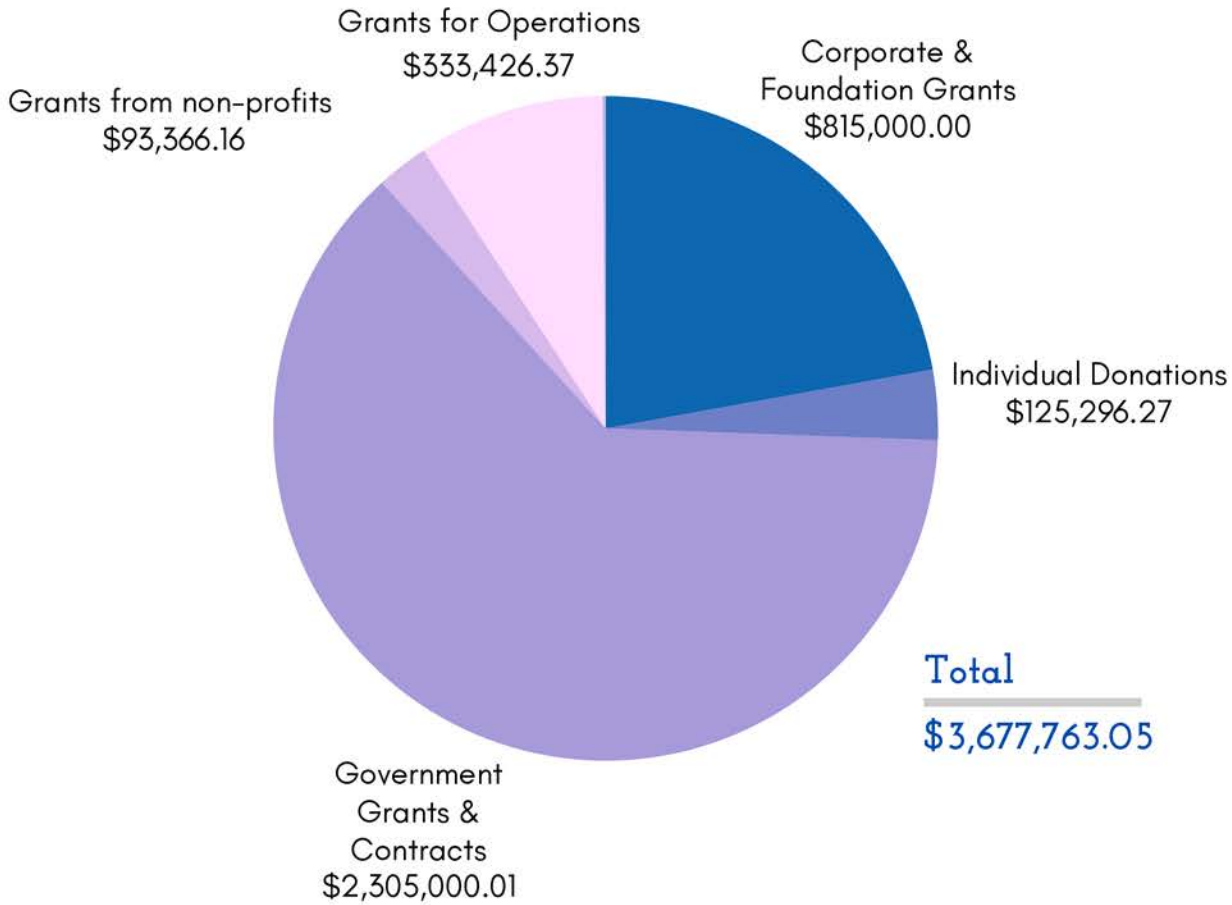
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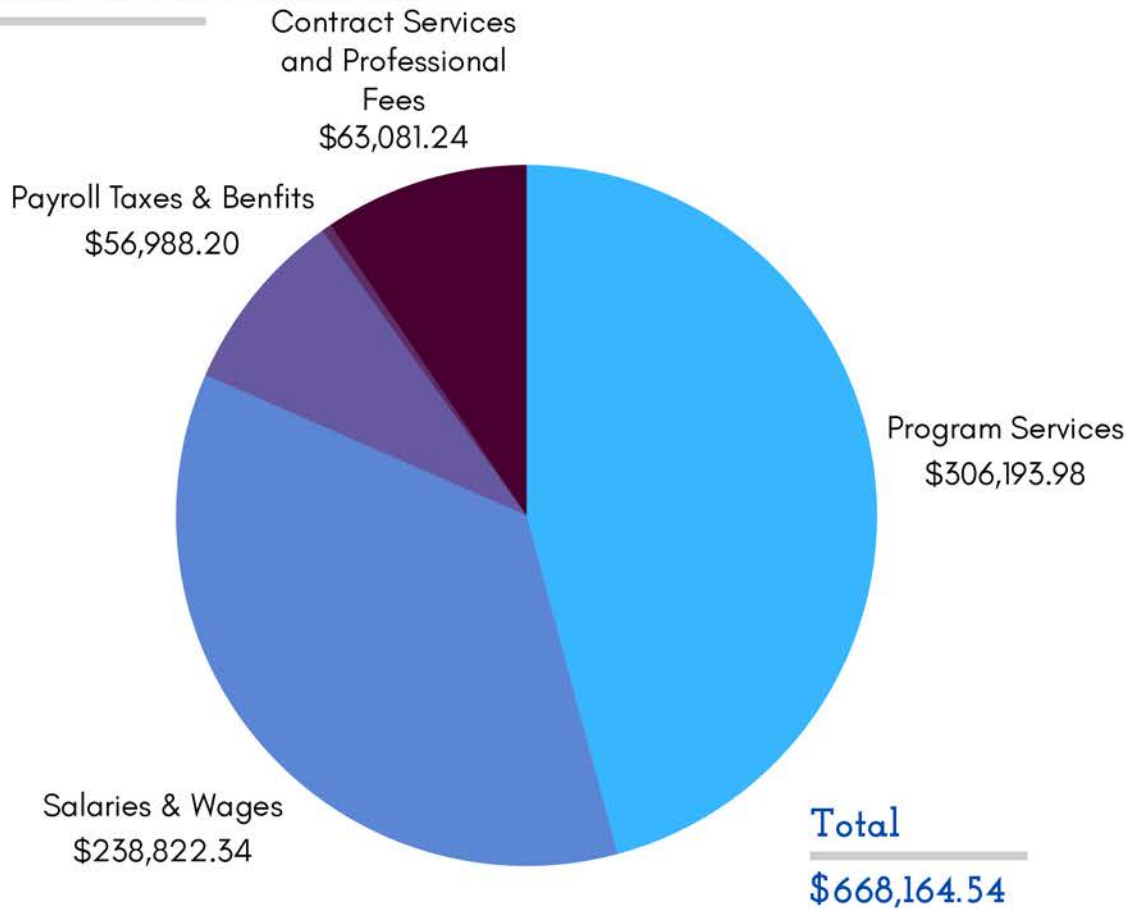
Community Partnerships

Canton City School District
Canton Parks Department
My Community Health Center
Men of Tomorrow
Young Christian Professionals (YCP)
Levels Barber College
Project Rebuild
StarkFresh
Community Legal Aid
Community Building Partnership
TomTod Ideas

2022 INCOME



2022 EXPENSES



* This is an unaudited financial summary.

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Joanna James

Jim Porter

Tricia Radosevic

Terry Regula

Ernest Roberson

Melody Scott

Betty Smith

Kelsey Sullivan

Jeff Talbert

Taylor Vickers

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Cynthia Hammond - Housing Navigator

Gino Haynes - Community Organizer

Ken Strobel - Construction Manager

Michael Varn - Construction Team Member

Dillan Pritchett - Construction Team Member

Omari Allen - Construction Team Member

Ashley Monteleone - Canton Kids! Leader

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Tony Galati - Canton Kids! Team Member

Sydney Boyd - Canton Kids! Team Member

Emma Hayward - Canton Kids! Team Member

Alex Burkhart - Canton Kids! Team Member

Riley McGuire - Canton Kids! Team Member

Julian Stevenson - Canton Kids! Team Member

Special Thanks to...

Bill Lemmon, Tom Thompson, Bobbi Moses and, Carla Frank for serving with us in 2022.

We were saddened this year to lose one of our board members and servant leader, Ernest Roberson. Not a day went by where he did not seek to be a blessing to those who needed it most. Ernest lived the words of John Wesley that hang outside of our board room:

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can."

We hope you saw something in this year's report that inspired you to be a blessing to your community and we leave you with the reminder Ernest would tell everyone as they parted ways...

"Be Blessed!"

