

In Chicago far too many people are familiar with the hopelessness of poverty. Over the last two years poverty has soared as pandemic government aid ended and living costs rose. Many children, families, schools, and neighborhoods are struggling. That is the reality of poverty. People feel stuck and hopeless.

Those wrestling with poverty don't simply lack resources. They need OPTIONS that offer hope and transformation.

That's where Cru Inner City comes in. That's where the CHURCH comes in. That's where YOU come in. TOGETHER we have been creating options for those struggling with poverty that meet real needs and connect people to Jesus Christ for 45 years.



Overview

Results from your prayers and support over the last year

Gospel Engagements

- **6,750** evangelistic Compassionate Products™ distributed
- **5,000** New Testaments delivered with the help of our church partners
- **20,772** people heard the gospel with **2,787** people making decisions to follow Jesus

Whole-Person Discipleship Relationships

- **495** children and teens served through **13** S.A.Y. Yes! Centers® for youth development
- **95** children and their families participated in wholistic, gospel-centered programming through the Agape Center
- **6,209** hours given by **631** volunteer and seasonal staff to advance the gospel

Believers Trained & Mobilized

- **200** inner-city church/ministry partnerships in over **40** Chicagoland neighborhoods
- **876** leaders trained in evangelism, discipleship, and ministering to those in need
- **79** prayer events for peace attended by **225** people

“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor...?” The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

Luke 10:36-37 (NIV)



Cru Inner City's mission is to live out the Great Commandment and the Great Commission with the inner-city church. We are Christ centered, compassion driven, and church based. By God's grace, we've been ministering in Chicago for 45 years!

Praise God for these amazing results over the last 4 years!

- 108,411** Gospel Engagements
- 2,389** Whole-Person Discipleship Relationships
- 4,158** Believers Trained and Mobilized
- 13** New Staff

As we look to the future, we are trusting God with these 3-year goals through 2027:

- 75,000** gospel engagements
- 3,000** whole-person discipleship relationships
- 4,000** Christ-followers trained and mobilized for ministry with people in poverty
- 10** new staff to increase ministry impact



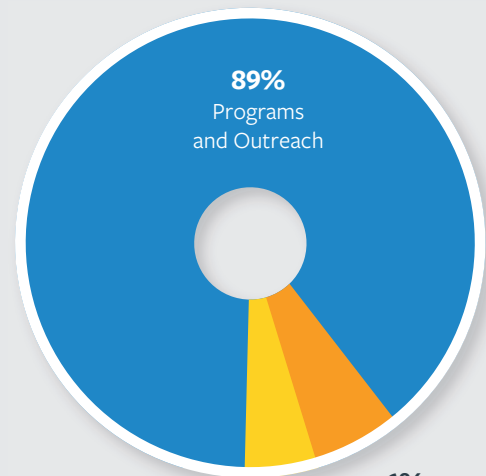
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Planned Fiscal 2024-2025

Projected Budget of **\$1,688,958**
 Given/Committed Amount of **\$1,202,331**
 In Need of **\$486,627**

Fiscal 2023-2024

\$1,553,261



5% Administrative Expenses
6% Fundraising Expenses