



 **LTHC** **2025**
HOMELESS SERVICES

ANNUAL REPORT

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RESILIENCE IN A YEAR OF UNCERTAINTY

LTHC'S 2025 IMPACT ON HOMELESSNESS

For 35 years, LTHC Homeless Services has been the steady light for thousands of neighbors navigating the darkest moments of their lives. Since our founding in 1989, we have walked beside people through job loss, disability, trauma, family crisis, and health emergencies. We have witnessed systems grow more complex, affordable housing grow more scarce, and the safety net grow thinner. But through every challenge, one truth has remained unchanged: **housing ends homelessness**. Not sometimes. Not theoretically. Always.

This year, that truth has never been more urgent.

Across eight counties, our teams saw the growing impact of a housing landscape that no longer works for the very people who keep our community running. Rents increased. Wages stagnated. More seniors living on fixed incomes found themselves priced out. More families with children arrived with nowhere to go.

While need increased, the funding landscape shifted dramatically. State and federal supports slowed, changed, or disappeared. Indiana still offers limited funding to support people experiencing homelessness, leaving organizations like LTHC to shoulder the responsibility using local partnerships, national grants, private philanthropy, and incredible community generosity.

This year, that challenge grew sharper.

And still, we never closed our doors. Not once. Not for a morning, not for a weekend, not during emergencies, and not when the funding storm clouds began to gather.

Thanks to a community that chose action over apathy, and thanks to leadership and staff who refused to compromise on compassion, we continued to provide the stability, connection, and dignity people cannot rebuild without, some with barriers too steep to climb on their own; and some who because of our services began opening their own doors.

In 2025, LTHC served **1,910 people** - **1,586 adults** and **324 children** - across all programs. We completed **1,594 Coordinated Assessments**, provided **83,610 meals**, and delivered **10,294 nights of safe shelter**, including **896 nights of Medical Respite** care for guests recovering from illness or injury. Our Day Resource Center supported **946 individuals**, giving them access to essentials many of us take for granted, phones, mail, hygiene resources, laundry, and a place to rest safely.

FAMILY PSH
Permanent Supportive Housing



13 Families



16 Adults



30 Children

VSP
Veterans Services Program



66 Veterans



**12 Families with
18 children**



79 Adults

PSH
Permanent Supportive Housing



75 Men



34 Women



1 Self-Identifying

RRH
Rapid Re-Housing



81 Families



117 Individuals



130 Children

Even in a year of disruption, our community leaned in.

Individual donor support increased by **24.6%**, our special events and campaigns more than doubled projections, and grants and corporate partnerships reached nearly **\$3 million** - a **35.5% increase** over last year.

Volunteer participation grew nearly **13%**, and in-kind giving rose an astounding **59%**, helping us stretch resources when it mattered most.

Our message, grounded in empathy, transparency, and the simple truth that our guests are our neighbors, reached farther than ever. On social media alone, our content reached more than **137,000 people**, with nearly **1 million views** across platforms, strengthening understanding of the real causes of homelessness and the solutions that work.

This narrative shift did not happen by accident. It happened because our community was willing to look closer, ask questions, and learn. It happened because we told the truth plainly: homelessness is not a moral failing, it is a housing shortage, a healthcare gap, and a system no longer aligned with the realities people are living.

November 2024 marked another milestone: our first-ever Home for the Holidays Gala, **celebrating 35 years** of service and raising more than **\$212,000**, including **\$66,500 in sponsorships** and welcoming **26 new donors**. Nearly 200 guests joined us for an evening built around one simple truth: *No one should be left alone in the dark.*

The event was more than a fundraiser, it was a declaration that this community sees its neighbors, believes in their worth, and is committed to building a future where housing is possible for all.



In July, the Engagement Center experienced a transformation that represents the spirit of partnership we rely on. BioBond Adhesives, Inc. and All in One Professional Services partnered to apply a cutting-edge antimicrobial floor coating to our 5,000-square-foot Day Room, one of the most heavily used spaces in our building. The coating reduces bacteria, mold, and other microbes, increasing safety and cleanliness for guests, staff, and volunteers. And the team completed the entire job overnight, ensuring not one minute of service disruption.

This \$30,000 donation is more than a facility upgrade, it is a powerful symbol of what it means to invest in the well-being, safety, and dignity of people experiencing homelessness.



Housing ends homelessness. Community makes it possible.

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The challenges around us *continue* to grow.

Affordable housing remains scarce. Policies shift quickly. Needs rise faster than resources. And for many, the path through homelessness has never been more complicated.

But LTHC remains what it has always been:

A place where people are welcomed, believed in, and supported.

A place of stability in an unstable world.

A place where housing is the goal, hope is the practice, and dignity is the standard.

With continued partnership, we will continue to meet people where they are and walk with them toward home, one assessment, one meal, one health connection, one housing solution at a time.

Because hope doesn't happen by accident. Hope happens when you show up. And together, we will keep turning the light on until every person has a key in hand and a place to call home.

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