



Real Life
COMMUNITY OUTREACH

IMPACT REPORT 2023

Sharing **Compassion** through Food Assistance,
Vocational Training, and Kids Camps for NE
San Antonio and the Surrounding Areas.

We serve with compassion, providing support and opportunities which empower people to better their lives.



Real Life Community Outreach is one of the newest nonprofits working in the San Antonio area, but we've already made a big impact. Our regional food pantry serves over 60,000 individuals per year distributing over \$2 million in essential food supplies. Vocational Training Institute elevated the earning power of 60 people through skill training and certification. During the summer, we invested in two under-resourced neighborhoods bringing kids camps to 136 youth.

This year is about strengthening. We're strengthening our operations by making them more cost effective, better funded, safer for volunteers, better connected, and more impactful in helping people who need a hand.

Mike McGuire

Sean Azzaro
Willy Mayfield
Butch Newman
Ursula Pari
Terri Mauldin
Mike McGuire

Rick Marcantel
Lonna Averill

Yoan Mora



COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR 2023

It takes **5,872 volunteer hours** to feed our community!

IT TAKES A COMMUNITY TO SHARE COMPASSION.



Cummins Diesel



Northeast Bible Church



John B. Sanfillippo & Son Inc.



River City Believers Academy
9th Grade Class

Wednesday Distribution: 8:00am - 11:00am

Third Saturday Distribution: 8:00am - 10:00am



**BRING YOUR GROUP TO
VOLUNTEER IN 2024!**





FOOD ASSISTANCE IN 2023

Velma's Story

So many in our community are struggling, but it doesn't have to be that way. Velma discovered, as many do, the power and joy of sharing compassion.

Visiting a local Shell station, Velma overheard employees talking about their financial struggles to buy food and essentials with today's high inflation. Velma looked online and found Real Life Christian Assistance in her local neighborhood of NE San Antonio. She came to a Wednesday food distribution and signed up to help.



"This is for me. I love it!" Velma started to serve weekly, and as she got to know the guests and their needs, she found that she could make an impact. More than just a good cause, Velma discovered that **sharing compassion** was like being part of a family, "It's for anybody. Everybody is welcome."

Food Distributed

\$2,100,472
Dollars

902,018
Pounds

61,481
Individuals

Partnered with:



Families Impacted

376
Weekly

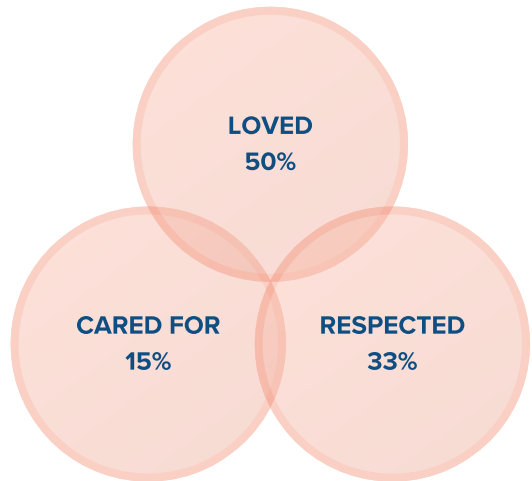
1,506
Monthly

18,074
Annually



93% POSITIVE EMOTIONAL IMPACT

What word best describes how you feel treated by staff and volunteers?



COMMUNITY IMPACT SURVEY

210 of our recipients at a food distribution in October shared what they think of the assistance.

Recipient Satisfaction Ratings

93%

Satisfied

72%

Highly Satisfied

85%

Likely to Recommend

WHAT OUR FOOD RECIPIENTS ARE SAYING...

"Without it, other bills would not be paid." — 54%

"Without it, my family and I don't have enough to eat." — 51%

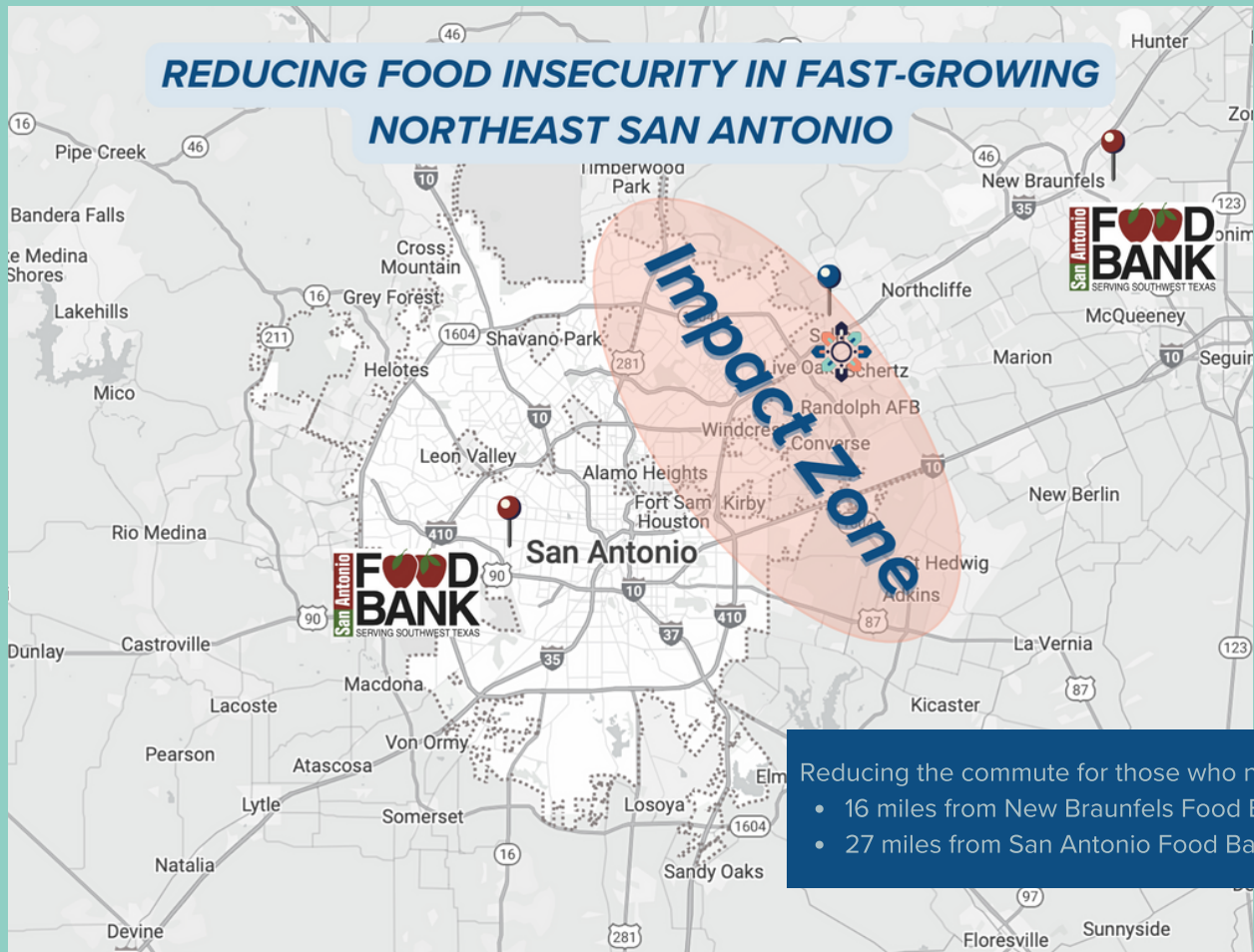
"The volunteers at the food pantry have helped me believe that things will be okay." — 47%

"The food pantry has helped me emotionally." — 44%

"Without it, I fear for the well-being of my children." — 16%

"When I come to receive food, I am treated with compassion." — 88%

A REGIONAL FOOD PANTRY FOR NORTHEAST SAN ANTONIO



FOOD BANK VS. FOOD PANTRY: WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

Food pantries focus on distributing food to people. Food banks collect and store food for sharing with food pantries. The San Antonio Food Bank is located in the south side of San Antonio and with its fleet of trucks does a tremendous job of collecting food from stores like H.E.B. And then, distributes food to their food pantry partners around the city. Real Life Community Outreach is a regional food pantry, having the size and scale to receive and distribute to a large number of people in NE San Antonio and the surrounding cities.

INFLATION

The US Bureau of Labor and Statistics reports that prices for food at home **increased 13.5%**, the largest increase in 40 years, for the period ending August 2022.

Vocational Training Institute

Affordable and accessible job-training in Spanish and English.

All new!

HVAC

12 Graduates

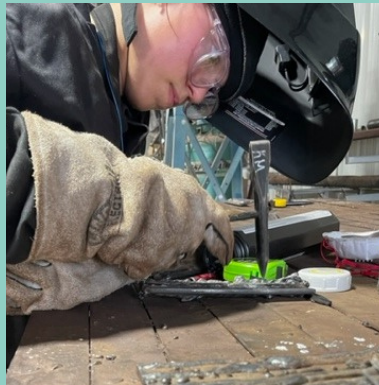
WELDING

5 Graduates

Coming in 2024!

BOOKKEEPING

Small Business



Juan's Story



"I'm a Cuban immigrant; I fled to the United States. I found it very difficult at first to find a job even though I had been educated in my country. Pastor Yoan recommended the HVAC course at Real Life VTI. I entered school in that same month where I received theoretical and practical studies of high quality and very contextualized with all the environmental and technical standards that govern the Air Conditioning and Heating systems in the United States. This acquired knowledge quickly

opened the doors for me to work in a company for about 5 months where I could verify the knowledge I was acquiring. After this period, we decided to join with another graduate of Real Life VTI and we formed a company with the name JAY Intel AC where, with the favor of God, we are forging a space in the market in San Antonio, Texas."



Find out more about Real Life VTI's courses at vti.reallife.org.



REAL LIFE KIDS CAMPS



The Glen

The Glen neighborhood has been plagued with poverty and crime.

38
Kids

61
Parents

36
Volunteers

Auburn Creek

Auburn Creek is a community of mostly Afghanistan refugees that speak little to no English.

98
Kids

12
Parents

41
Volunteers

“It was so encouraging to see the bonds the kids made in just a few days! It was just so cool how so many of them were open to building a relationship with us.”

-Youth Volunteer



LOCAL BUSINESSES JOINING TOGETHER TO SHARE COMPASSION

FIRST ANNUAL REAL LIFE SPORTING CLAY CHALLENGE

APRIL 6, 2024

NATIONAL SHOOTING COMPLEX

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16TH ANNUAL REAL LIFE CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

JUNE 3, 2024

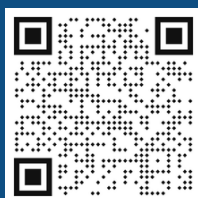
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*Share compassion with our community while marketing
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