# 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

In Chicago, far too many people are familiar with the brokenness and hopelessness of poverty. In the last year, job losses, financial strain, and food insecurity have been real. It seems every family has lost someone to COVID-19. Elderly neighbors are struggling because many pharmacies and businesses closed and may never reopen. That's poverty. People feel stuck and hopeless.

The poor don't simply lack resources. The poor 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 the poor that meet real needs and connect people to Jesus Christ for 42 years.





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## **Overview**

Results from your prayers and support over the last year

#### **Compassionate Evangelism Outreach**

- **5,555** evangelistic Compassionate Products<sup>™</sup> distributed
- 7,000 food boxes given to families in need of COVID-19 relief
- 15,555 people heard the gospel with 1,784 people making decisions to follow Jesus

#### **Training & Mobilizing**

- 225 inner-city church/ministry partnerships in over 50 Chicagoland neighborhoods
- 1,090 leaders trained in evangelism, discipleship, and ministering to the poor
- 60 prayer events attended by 875 people

#### Whole-Person Discipleship

- **494** children and teens served through 14 S.A.Y. Yes! Centers®
- **60** children and their families participated in wholistic, gospel-centered programming through the Agape Center
- 1,642 hours given by Cru staff to support children in E-Learning



Cru Inner City's mission is to serve and mobilize the church to live out God's heart for the poor, so all can grow in Christ to build spiritual movements everywhere. Cru is Christcentered, compassion-driven, and church-based.

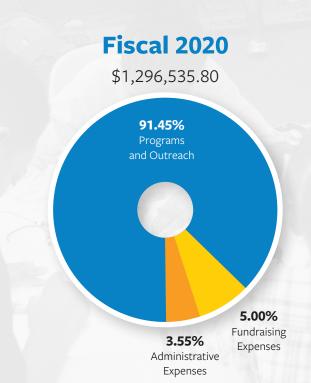
By God's grace, we've been ministering in Chicago for 42 years! As we look to the future, we're continuing to trust God with these 3-year goals from our 2023 Strategic Direction:

- **75,000** gospel engagements
- 2,500 whole-person discipleship relationships
- **5,000** Christ-followers trained and mobilized for ministry with people in poverty
- 12 new staff to increase ministry impact

### Fiscal 2021

Projected Budget of **\$1,407,320** Given/Committed Amount of **\$939,620** 

In Need of **\$467,700** 





Creating options together™

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