

In Chicago far too many people are familiar with the brokenness and hopelessness of poverty. Over the last two years, job losses, financial strain, and food insecurity have been constant realities. Many children are struggling in broken homes, with broken schools, in broken neighborhoods. That's poverty. People feel stuck and hopeless.

Poverty is more complex than a lack of resources. People and communities 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 43 years.



Overview

Results from your prayers and support over the last year

Gospel Engagements

- **6,250** evangelistic Compassionate Products™ distributed
- **20,000** New Testaments delivered with the help of our church partners
- **16,250** people heard the gospel with **2,021** people making decisions to follow Jesus

Whole-Person Discipleship Relationships

- **500** children and teens served through 12 S.A.Y. Yes! Centers®
- **67** children and their families participated in wholistic, gospel-centered programming through the Agape Center
- **2,793** volunteer hours given to advance the gospel

Believers Trained & Mobilized

- **200** inner-city church/ministry partnerships in over 50 Chicagoland neighborhoods
- **770** leaders trained in evangelism, discipleship, and ministering to the poor
- **72** prayer events attended by 835 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 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 Christ-centered, compassion-driven, and church-based.

By God's grace, we've been ministering in Chicago for 43 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

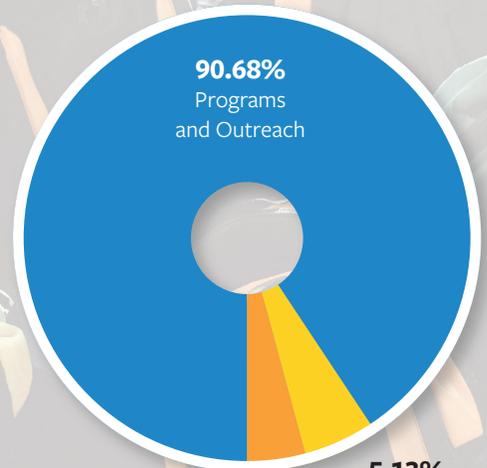
Planned Fiscal 2022

Projected Budget of **\$1,427,830**
Given/Committed Amount of **\$998,821**

In Need of \$429,009

Fiscal 2021

\$1,373,954



Creating options together™

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