Daryl told us it was his dream to get his Commercial Driver's License (CDL). Because of New Hope Ministries' workforce development program, his dream came true! Daryl committed himself to our program and attended our soft skills and budget classes, then enrolled in truck driving school. We worked closely with him along the way, preparing him for job interviews and employment. He eventually passed his driving test and earned his CDL and got a good-paying job as a truck driver at a local business. Daryl continues to thrive in his work and shares updates with us regularly. He is thankful for all the support and encouragement he received at New Hope which helped him achieve his dream.

Oh, that smile! We first met Dena when she enrolled her children in our youth program. As we started to get to know her better, we found out her current job was not meeting her needs and talked to her about our Certified Nurse Aide program. She was already caring for her father and was passionate about helping people, so it was a perfect fit. She started her preclinical education classes but then her car stopped working. Then, we received a donated car at New Hope! We were able to provide that car to Dena so she could continue her preclinical classes and have transportation to get back and forth to work! When we first told Dena that we had a car for her, she thought we were joking - she was overjoyed and simply astounded by the generosity bestowed upon her. This car continues to provide reliable transportation for work and family needs, helping her maintain stability in her life.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in," Matthew 25:35 (NIV)
Beginning in July 2021 and ending in June 2022, our 2022 fiscal year finished out what we considered the pandemic era, and brought numerous changes and challenges in our organization. As we began the year, it was with a sense of relief that we were out of the worst of the pandemic and that life would soon be returning to normal. Economic supports and housing protections that were plentiful during the height of the pandemic began to expire leading to sudden economic hardship. COVID cases that had been declining began to surge with the Delta and Omicron variants. By the end of 2021, we recognized we were in a severe housing crisis with record evictions and housing cost increases. 2022 began with a swell in inflation that severely affected the families we serve, especially with food costs and energy prices.

2022 marked the 40th anniversary of the founding of New Hope Ministries. Our ministry began in 1982 thanks to the vision of our founders and the support of our local churches and continues to be an outreach ministry of our local Christian churches and amazing partners and supporters. Our ministry that was founded during a time of high inflation and economic recession is no stranger to economic downturns. In 2022, we once again answered the call to support our communities during a tough economic period. We are so grateful to our numerous partners, committed donors, and amazing volunteers who believe in our mission and support the important work we do.

Volunteers

1,073 volunteers collectively donated 104,609 hours of service. This represents an incredible 13.5% increase in volunteers serving and an 18.1% increase in hours of service. Beyond these amazing numbers are the incredible smiles, kindness, and joy in service they share. Thanks to our volunteers for helping us win Harrisburg Magazine’s Reader’s Choice Award for best place to volunteer and the Hanover Evening Sun Reader's Choice for favorite nonprofit! We truly enjoy serving with you.

2022 Highlights

2022 brought a rapid increase in community needs as well as challenging economic circumstances. We served 9.2% more families and delivered 21.6% more services than the prior year. In all, our programs served 6,088 families, 15,567 individuals and delivered 158,026 separate services. Here are some highlights from the past year of programming.

Food

5,232 families received help with food - 75,261 food orders

Housing

638 families received housing help; $400,000 in emergency housing delivered

Transportation

528 families received help with gasoline, car repairs, & vehicle donations

Christmas Blessings

1,949 families received Christmas gifts, clothing and more

Stability Programs

1,647 received help with a job and educational programs

Youth Programs

1,090 children benefited from school backpack programs, summer day camp and more

New Hope began partnering with the Camp Hill School District to operate the Earl Besch Food Pantry serving the students and families of the Camp Hill area.

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- Completion of our Dover Center remodel
- Acquisition of a new building in New Oxford
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- Computer system upgrades
- Expansion of diaper and feminine hygiene product services

We invite anyone who lives in the 9 communities we now serve to come for help, to learn more about our programs, or to find out how to get involved as a volunteer, donor, or partner. To God who has called and blessed, and everyone who has shared so generously, and to those whose lives are being changed, we are truly inspired and grateful for you.

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Message continued

There are hundreds of local churches and amazing partner organizations like the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank, CommunityAid, the United Way of York County, United Way of the Capital Region, and our newest United Way partner, the United Way of Adams County!

We know that there are many neighbors who suffer with challenges such as hunger, poverty, homelessness, unemployment, and disability. We believe that our response as good neighbors shouldn’t be pity, but kindness.

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