

## ANNUAL REPORT

2022 2023

Northwest Assistance Ministries

**40 Years of Neighbors Helping Neighbors** 























## **OUR MISSION & VALUES**

Northwest Assistance Ministries (NAM) is a nonprofit, community-based, multi-program social service agency that strives to meet basic human needs through Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

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NAM's values include: maintaining a strong commitment to its mission of meeting basic human needs through Neighbors Helping Neighbors; fostering a spirit of respect and charity; striving for excellence in all areas of service; and strengthening connections with its spiritual, funding and volunteer partners.













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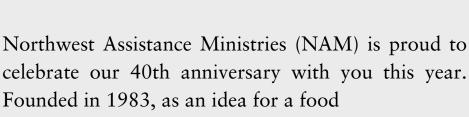
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# A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CEO LES CAVE





pantry to help struggling neighbors scrawled on a napkin, NAM has grown into an impressive array of services that touch the lives of more than 117,000 individuals year after year.

Throughout these pages you can read about the work NAM accomplished, but mostly you will see and hear more about the success of our clients who are outstanding testimonies of determination, resiliency and strength.

Providing assistance to thousands of families year after year for 40 years, NAM has been blessed. Your steadfast commitments fuel the essential services NAM offers, allowing us to provide meaningful help to families day in and day out.

Thank you. NAM is deeply grateful for your thoughtful support.

Sincerely,

Linda & Harlan Martens

Endowed President & CEO

#### Client Spotlight

## **ARTHUR WALTON**

Before coming to NAM, Arthur was homeless and battling with addiction. After getting clean and being approved for disability, Arthur sought out housing assistance.

It was at that time he was pointed to NAM, who helped him get his own apartment. To this day, Arthur is still sober and is thriving in NAM's housing program. He has attended many of NAM's life skills classes, which teach individuals skills to live a responsible life and continue to succeed on their own.

Arthur said one of the most rewarding things for him is now being able to spoil his grandkids. "It's just a good feeling when my grandkids come up to me 'Papa can I have this' and I'm able to do it. So, like I said, I'm really owe a lot of things to Northwest Assistance Ministries, you know, I appreciate everything y'all do, I really do."



## SHALINA POLKEY

Years ago, Shalina became homeless after leaving an abusive relationship. After a major flood about 6 years ago, Shalina called NAM to inquire about financial assistance for a hotel room for her and her eldest son, Joshua. To her surprise, she was approved for more than a hotel room. Shalina was a great candidate for NAM's housing program and moved into a two bedroom apartment.

NAM provided Shalina and her sons with furniture, vouchers, groceries, bus transportation, and life skills classes. Joshua graduated from high school and is now preparing to take the Electrician Apprenticeship Class at NAM. The NAM's programs not only helped Shalina, but also helped Joshua get certified and start his future. Shalina was also struggling with daycare and autism tests



for her youngest son due to financial constraints, but NAM is now helping her with daycare. Shalina is working a full-time job and says she is grateful for NAM's programs and how much they have helped her and her kids.

#### Program Spotlight

## LEARNING & VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER

In March 2023, NAM proudly announced the graduation of its first-ever Electrical Pre-Apprenticeship Class!

NAM partnered with TRIO Electric, Memorial Assistance Ministries, TRIO Education and JP Morgan Chase to create the new, 7-week-long, program. The class was taught through a combination of VR technology and computer-based training.

As a graduation gift, graduates were gifted boots from Safety Shoe Distributors and a starter tool kit. Graduates were also given the opportunity to have a job placement through TRIO Electric or one of their partner companies to start receiving paid on-the-job training.

Congratulations to the first Electrical Pre-Apprenticeship Class of 2023!

NAM continues offering this class and has had several graduating classes since its inception.



## **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023

\$250,000 +

Anonymous

City of Houston

Emergency Food and Shelter Program

The Hamill Foundation

Houston Food Bank

Houston Methodist

**HUD Treasury** 

Office of the Governor

Tomball Hospital Authority/Tomball Regional

Health Foundation

United Way of Greater Houston

\$100,000 - \$249,999

Anonymous

The Common Market Texas

Housing and Community Affairs

Texas Department of Agriculture

Texas Health Human Services Commission

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\$50,000 - \$99,999

Anonymous

Bishop Center Storehouse

Emergency Food and Shelter Program

The Hand Foundation

Kroger #364

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State Comptroller Of Public Account

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Wal-Mart #1103

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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas

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Greater Houston Community Foundation

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Harris County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council

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Klein ISD Multipurpose Center Klein United Methodist Church

Labrada Nutrition

Lakewood United Methodist Church

Legacy League Lifepath Church

National Charity League - Champions Chapter National Charity League - Wildflowers Chapter

Northwest Bible Church

Northwest Women's Tennis League Northwoods Presbyterian Church

Ovintiv Canada ULC

Panera Bread

Plymouth United Church Primrose School of Champions Resurrection Lutheran Church Risdal Family Foundation Specialized Education Services

Spring High School

Spring ISD

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Klein Stake

The Patrick Family Charitable Fund

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Tyson Foods

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Woodforest Academy

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**ZT** Systems

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October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023

#### \$75,000 +

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

#### **Emergency Basic Needs**

- The Emergency Basic Needs program provided client services to 8,682 individuals and 14,852 family members.
- Assisted 421 clients with rental and mortgage assistance, totaling \$779,724.
- Over \$25,000 in utility assistance was granted to 73 clients.
- Through NAM's Back-to-School project, 300 children received school supplies.

#### Joanne Watford Nutrition Center

- Safely provided nutritious groceries, including fresh produce, meat and dairy to 13,613 individuals. Many of these clients were new.
- Through its partnership with Common Market, the Joanne Watford Nutrition Center furnished over 4,000 fresh food boxes to 2,850 clients.
- The Joanne Watford Nutrition Center in partnership with the Houston Food Bank, hosted drive-thru food distributions serving 652 families and 109 low-income seniors.
- Thanksgiving and Holiday meals were given to 1,579 families.

#### Meals on Wheels

- Meals on Wheels delivered a total of 242,294 nutritious meals for 1,192 homebound seniors and disabled individuals within NAM's 24 zip codes, which were delivered by 700 dedicated volunteers.
- Over 140 individuals received monthly grocery deliveries and Saturday frozen meals.
- 6,293 fresh boxes of vegetables and fruits were provided through our partnership with Common Market.
- As prescribed by their physicians, 106 seniors received weekly nutritional supplements.
- Homebound seniors' companion animals were provided pet food and pet supplies, which were donated by the Houston Humane Society.

#### **Family Violence Center**

- NAM's Family Violence Center assisted 399 survivors, providing 74,280 services including crisis intervention, safety planning, case management, information and referrals, access to shelter, emergency transportation, client advocacy, and legal advocacy.
- Through economic stability funding, clients were assisted with rent, utilities, and childcare totaling \$95,281.
- A total of 5,479 phone calls were answered on the 24-hour hotline from victims in crisis or individuals seeking help.
- Youth violence prevention education was provided in five area school districts: Klein, Aldine, Cy-fair, Tomball and Spring.
   Presentations or awareness events were presented to 1,530 individuals in the community.
- A total of 778 counseling sessions were provided to adults and children, in both English and Spanish.
- Through a program offered by Ring, 60 clients were supplied with Ring cameras, providing vital safety and security.
- The Family Violence Center assisted 63 clients with obtaining a protective order through the Harris County District Attorney's Office.

#### **Housing Homeless Services**

• NAM's Housing Homeless Services provided assistance to 207 families. Through government grants, these families received extensive aid, including case management, rent/utilities support, housing placement, financial education, and essential items totaling over \$ 911,193, ensuring stability by covering payments 781 times in the year.

## PROGRAMS HIGHLIGHTS CONT.

#### **Veterans Services**

• NAM's Veterans Services provided assistance to 57 families. Through veterans funding, these families received extensive aid, including case management, rent/utilities support, housing placement, financial education, and essential items totaling \$124,000, ensuring stability by covering payments 75 times in the year.

#### Learning & Vocational Training Center

- Financial education, training, and coaching services were provided to 221 adults.
- Through collaborative efforts with the Harris County Department of Education (HCDE), another 3,180 students were engaged, enabling their enrollment in GED and ESL classes through NAM's facilities, referrals, and marketing initiatives.
- 68 scholarships were granted, aiding 40 individuals in securing employment and supporting 35 others in skill enhancement.
- NAM joined forces with WorkTexas to organize two job fairs, collectively serving around 700 participants, with an average of 23 employers present at each event.

#### Young at Heart Senior Center

- A total of 203 seniors were served and participated in 5,065 virtual and in-person activities (physical fitness, dance, French language and wellness classes).
- The 60+ Café congregate meal program served 4,768 hot meals and furnished 2,511 rides to the Young at Heart Senior Center.

#### Behavioral Health Center

- Over 2,500 hours of direct client-therapist interface, based on a 50-minute clinical hour, were provided to 138 adults, 32 adolescents, 37 children, and 153 families. Counseling services were delivered by licensed and masters level therapists, either in-person and/or via Telehealth using a secure client portal. Clinical services were offered in English, Spanish, Arabic, and Vietnamese.
- The program supported community mental health through conferences, workshops, presentations and community events at churches and local school districts, presenting on topics such as anxiety, depression, bullying, and parenting.
- A weekly Child Yoga class was facilitated to help children learn mindfulness, emotional regulation, and focusing and concentration skills, while also promoting wellness, improved mood, and positive mental health outcomes
- Through its partnership with Santa Maria Hostel, a Parenting Skills group for Spanishspeaking parents was offered.

#### NAM Resale Shop

- 707 individuals were provided with client vouchers to get essential items from the resale shop.
- Through its partnership with Moving Waters, the resale shop provided clothing to 534 homeless clients.

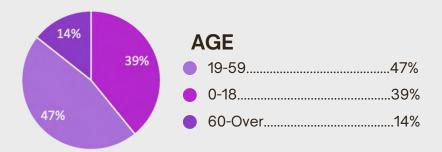
#### Partnerships & Collaborations

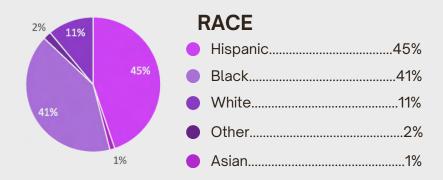
 Through numerous collaborations and partnerships, 634 individuals received a variety of services on-site at NAM.

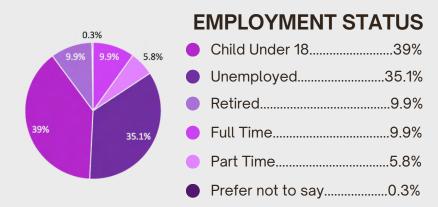
#### Volunteers

• Over 3,000 dedicated volunteers contributed 51,410 hours of service.

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**







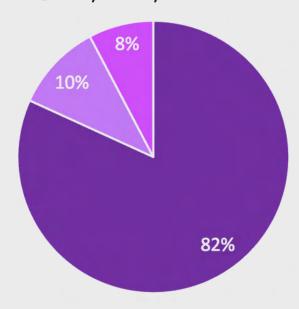


## **FINANCIALS**

Consolidated Statement of Activities for the Twelve Months Ended 9/30/23 (unaudited)

Program Services......82%
Management and General.....10%
Fundraising and Development.....8%

## TOTAL EXPENSES: \$11,771,116



## TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUES: \$11,328,040

