

Advancing equity in food, housing, parenting education, and lifelong stability 



#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD CHAIR AND CO-LEADERS

Without a doubt, 2022 was a year of rapid change and new opportunities. Recent times have challenged us to reinvent the way we serve our communities and to develop programs and solutions to continue to meet expanding needs and fulfill our mission. At the same time, we have experienced a time of incredible generosity and are thankful for caring and compassionate people like you who continue to support our work. Your kind gifts have enabled individuals and families to weather challenges and embrace new pathways in pursuit of a better future. In 2022, with your support, Growing Home served 2,272 households comprised of 9,568 individuals in the areas of food, housing, parenting education, and lifelong stability through our programs and we celebrate the progress of each and every one.

From a place of gratitude and on behalf of the Growing Home team and Board, we thank you for sharing our commitment to putting the people we serve at the center of our efforts. We look forward to 2023 as our 25th year of high energy and enhanced activity as together we continue to support positive change and development for our North Denver community.

Best regards,



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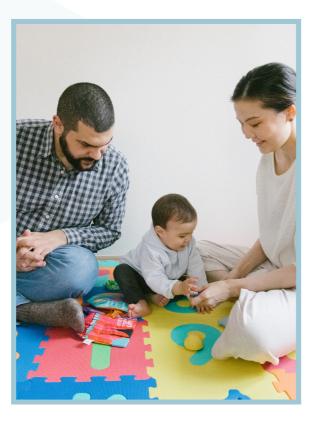
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## **ABOUT US**

Growing Home believes that not every individual starts from the same place in life. While an individual's drive and determination to improve outcomes for themselves and their family matters, we believe there are systems, structures, and resource limitations that unfairly impact some individuals more than others.

By dedicating our work to creating an equitable North Denver Metro one participant at a time, we provide programs that help ensure every family has what they need to succeed, regardless of how they started. We also focus on community interdependence by bringing together volunteers, donors, neighbors, and our participants from all walks of life to interact and cooperate toward creating sustainable outcomes for all.

#### **OUR VISION**

Growing Home envisions a thriving, healthy, and equitable community for all.



#### **OUR MISSION**

In partnership with the community, Growing Home advances equity in food, housing, parenting education, and lifelong stability to create lasting change for the future.



# FOOD

Growing Home provides access to healthy, culturally relevant food to our community through our food pantry, community garden, and food justice.



### **FOOD PANTRY**

Served 2,047 households during 8,206 visits.

**421,156** pounds of food, **65,570** diapers, and **12,976** hygiene products distributed.





### **COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Harvested **2,990** pounds of fresh produce.

**70** community members and volunteers contributed over **1,300** hrs of work to cultivate the community garden and to prepare produce for re-distribution through the food pantry.

### **FOOD JUSTICE**

Facilitated community-led campaign to **increase access to high quality, low cost food** in south Westminster.

Led **49 hrs** of trainings, committee meetings, and an action-driven food justice retreat.







Growing Home prevents family homelessness by stabilizing at-risk families with rent, mortgage, and utility assistance, paired with case management that helps families identify root causes of housing instability and develop long-term plans for stable and affordable housing.

### **HOUSING STABILTY**

Assisted **134** households with rental assistance and case management.

**94%** of households stably housed at program exit.

**74%** of households that completed the program reduced housing cost burden.





### **HOUSING JUSTICE**

Facilitated renter's resource fair, renter's rights workshop, and first-time homebuyer training.

Elected officials met with community members to discuss the need for safe, secure, and affordable housing, food access, and more.



# PARENTING EDUCATION



Growing Home helps caregivers **acquire the skills and resources they** need to ensure their children and future generations are on a path to a brighter future.

This includes education and coaching on child development and parenting practices that help prepare kids for a lifetime of success. Our programs are evidence-based and support a two-generation approach to poverty alleviation.



### **PARENTS AS TEACHERS (PAT)**

Parents As Teachers (PAT) is an early childhood program designed to help families support their children's development, strengthen caregiver skills, and provide resources to help their children succeed in school.

Trained **201** families on child growth and development.

- Provided **2,055** sessions on caregiving education to families.
- Facilitated 11 Integra-te group connections for families.
- **93%** of children demonstrated on track development.
- **94%** of caregivers demonstrated positive parenting.



Once again, Growing Home has received the Blue-Ribbon designation from Parents as Teachers National Center.

Being named a Blue Ribbon Affiliate affirms that Growing Home is among the highest quality members of the home visitation and parent education field, implementing the evidence-based Parents as Teachers model with fidelity and quality.

# LIFELONG STABILITY



Growing Home helps individuals and families **achieve and maintain lifelong stability through our programs** by identifying and prioritizing personal goals, building skills, providing resources, creating action plans, and contributing to their community in meaningful ways.

### **COLLABORATIVE COACHING**

**51** participants engaged in collaborative coaching case management.

**74%** of participants made progress toward stability by setting and meeting personal goals.

**82%** of participants increased their Bridge to Self Sufficiency score and made economic mobility gains.





### **COMMUNITY VOICE FOR ACTION**

In collaboration with partners, **initiated a community organizing program to train, organize, and empower community members** to advance their rights and interests.

Members took collective action on issues impacting their community.

### **COMMUNITY TRAININGS**

Led **27 hrs** of trainings based on community feedback, which included anti-oppression, trauma-informed communication, nonprofit structure, digital literacy, and online fundraising.







**246 volunteers** provided **6,241 hrs** to support the mission of Growing Home.

Partnered with over **40** organizations to meet community needs.



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REVENUE



\$670,960 Non-Government Grants

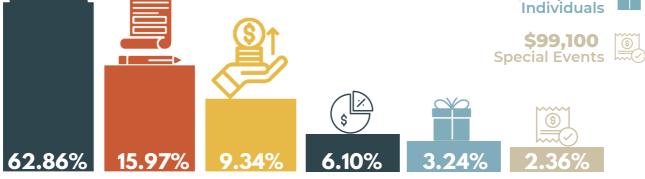
**\$392,447** In-Kind Contributions

\$256,043 Fees and Earned Income





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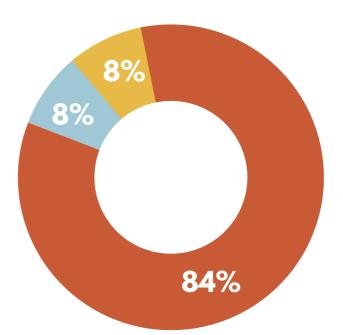
## **TOTAL REVENUE \$4,200,609**

## **OPERATING EXPENSES**









### **TOTAL EXPENSES \$4,122,115**



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