

# Well Done!



## Redwood Gospel Missions 2023-2024 Annual Report

The Mission grew more in this last year than at any other time in our history.

There's one verse that perfectly sums up the 2023-2024 fiscal year at the Mission.

*“Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together! ”* — Matthew 25:23



## *Here's why:*

God used your generosity, support and prayers to grow the ministry of Redwood Gospel Missions beyond anything we could have imagined a year ago.

### ***... good and faithful servant ...***

Every dollar you give, every prayer you pray and every minute of time you volunteer is an act of service. It's an act of service to our poor and needy neighbors, to the Mission, to our community and to God.

And we don't take your service lightly. Instead, our philosophy has always been centered in stewardship, which is very different from ownership.

Ownership says that a thing is mine to do with what I want. Stewardship says something is mine to care for as those who gave it would want.

We believe that all things belong to God and that this is His ministry using His resources. It is His people, like you, who have given time, talents and treasures to the Mission – not for us to do whatever we want, but to do what we believe that God wants us to do.

And when you see all of what was accomplished this year, I think you'll be proud of how your gifts were stewarded.



***... you have been faithful in handling this small amount ...***

The Mission began in 1963 as a 14-bed shelter. Today, we have 180 beds across multiple campuses.

That didn't happen overnight. It happened little by little, God entrusting us with more and more each year, until we got to the place we are today.

***... so now I will give you many more responsibilities ...***

I believe it is only because of the faithfulness of friends like you, and the stewardship of our staff, that God has chosen to bless us with abundant growth over the last 12 months.

In fact, the Mission grew more in this last year than at any other time in our history.

*Here's a glimpse of what you helped make possible:*

### **New Mobile Shower Unit**

We added a mobile shower and laundry unit, bringing us to a total of three mobile shower units, two with laundry facilities. These units allow us to partner with local churches each week to offer our homeless neighbors the dignity of taking a hot shower and cleaning their clothes.

### **Major Remodel Completed**

Our Sixth Street campus got a much-needed update, including a completely updated and expanded kitchen, allowing us to serve more meals, train more guests in food service and have a more functional, industrial-grade kitchen.

Many other areas of the campus were also updated, allowing us to add a dedicated space for the Mission's Medical Clinic. We also remodeled the dining hall and our main entrance, and completed renovations on our Mobile Food Trailer.

### **Record-breaking Growth in Ukiah**

More people than ever before are taking advantage of the services at our day center in Ukiah.

### **Great Thanksgiving Banquet**

This year's Great Thanksgiving Banquet was attended by more people than we've seen in years. Thanks to you, they all received a good, hot meal and experienced God's love.



## Volunteer Expansion

This year we saw more volunteers than we've had in years!



## Opened Redwood Gospel Café

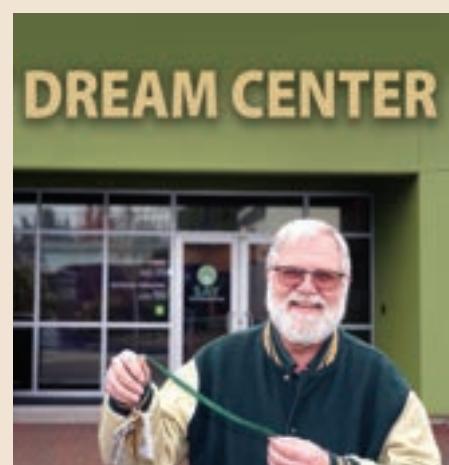
In August, the Redwood Gospel Café, serving our specialty roasted coffee and pastries opened to the public. The Café has expanded the customer base for Redwood Gospel Coffee and has given people in the community a new place to connect.

## Opened New Thrift Store

In December, we opened a "Super" thrift store in Rohnert Park. This store is larger than our Santa Rosa store and has allowed us to expand our ability to turn donated items into useable funds to support the work of the Mission. The new store also increases our ability to serve the needy by having more access to items that can bless people in our shelter and recovery programs.

## Acquired a New Family Campus

In December, we closed on the sale of the former Social Advocates for Youth Dream Center facility. This new campus is bigger than all of our other campuses combined and will allow our ministry to reach more people than ever before!



## Let's celebrate together!

God, working through friends like you, made ALL this possible. But at the heart of it, it's not about growth or expansion, it's about changing lives.

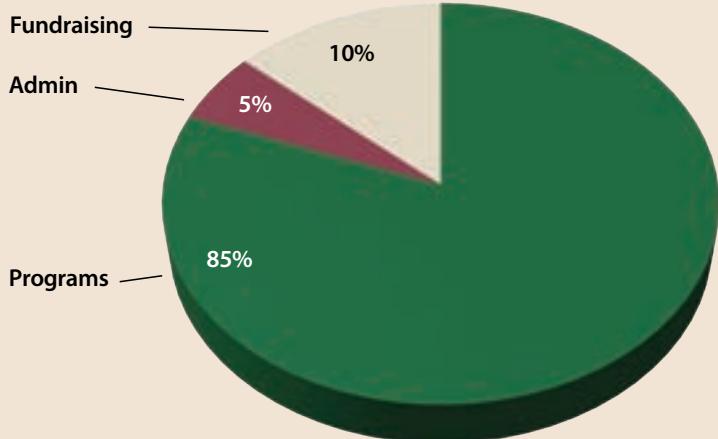


# Outcomes:

## Together, We're Reaching More People Than Ever!

Throughout the 2023-2024 fiscal year, God brought us together to touch thousands of lives in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties!

## 2024 Total Revenue and Expenses



<b>Total revenue and support</b>	<b>\$7,586,832</b>
Expenses:	
Programs:	\$6,666,251
Admin:	\$382,730
Fundraising:	\$774,650
<b>Total expenses:</b>	<b>\$7,823,631</b>

\*Pie chart reflects expenses. Financial information is drawn from an independent audit of finances from October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024. Redwood Gospel Missions has independent audits conducted on an annual basis. Audited financial statement is available on request or online at: [rgm.org/financials-and-policies](http://rgm.org/financials-and-policies).

### RGM Board of Directors

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Meals 128,884



Nights of Shelter  
35,465



Classes Attended  
24,181



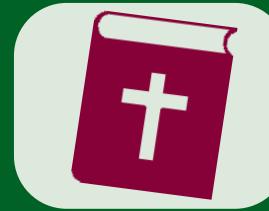
Coaching Sessions  
1,924



Families assisted by  
outreach Events 1,843



Jobs Secured 133

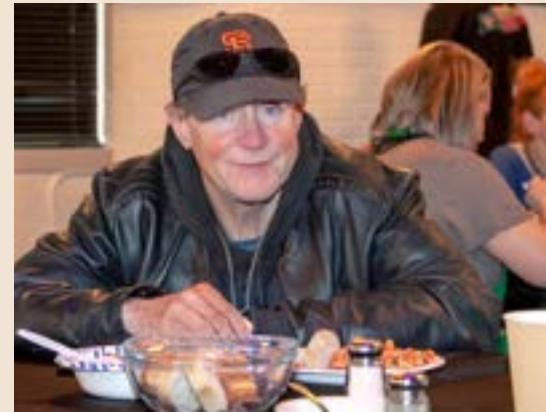


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# Redwood Gospel Missions

## Ministries Include:

**EMERGENCY SHELTER:** Men, women and children experiencing homelessness are provided with warm, nutritious meals, clothing, a safe place to sleep and an opportunity to hear the Gospel.



**THE CENTER FOR HOPE, UKIAH:** Our day center in Ukiah is open Monday – Friday providing breakfast, coffee, showers, clothing, encouraging Gospel message, Bible study and more.

**NEW LIFE PROGRAM:** A faith-based residential recovery program for men and women with life-controlling issues who wish to put their issues behind them and start a new life.

**MOBILE MINISTRIES:** Mobile Ministries includes Nomadic Shelter, Search and Rescue efforts, Mobile Showers (two with laundry facilitates) and our Mobile Kitchen. The focus is on Luke 14:23, *“And the Lord said unto the servant, ‘Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.”*

**JAIL MINISTRIES:** Authorized volunteer teams go into the county jail to facilitate chapel services, Bible studies, one-on-one biblical support and provide preliminary interviews for inmates looking to be released into the New Life Program.



**THRIFT STORES AND INDUSTRIAL MINISTRIES:** We have two Thrift Stores – one in Santa Rosa and one in Rohnert Park. Donated items are sold to support the Mission's ongoing programs and ministries.

**OUTREACH MINISTRIES:** Outreach events, such as the Great Thanksgiving Banquet, Back-to-School events and the Homeless Birthday Party happen throughout the year to allow you to connect with and minister to the poor and needy.



**JOB-SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAMS:** Training programs change lives, giving men and women valuable training and experience in Catering, Coffee Roasting, Retail Management, Truck Driving and Forklift Operation.

# 5 Ways to Continue Being a Good Steward



## SERVE

Serving is one of the best ways to not only bless others, but experience blessing yourself. When you get involved, lives are changed. See how you can help serve!



## LEARN

Knowledge frees people to serve without fear. We partner with local churches in both Sonoma County and Mendocino County to serve the poor and needy in our community. Your support makes a difference.



## CONNECT

We focus on relationships. Connection makes this ministry so different and so life-changing for everyone involved. If you're looking for new ways to connect, let us know.



## GIVE

Redwood Gospel Missions takes no government funding. All our ministries are 100% supported by generous individuals and organizations. This work wouldn't be possible without you!



## PRAY

By coming together in prayer, lives are saved, men and women meet Jesus, people overcome life-controlling issues, people escape homelessness and lives are forever transformed.



*The Redwood Gospel Missions, in the grace and power of Jesus Christ, mobilizes our community to minister to the needy so that lives are transformed.*

