2017 IN REVIEW
GREENHOUSE
God has blessed Greenhouse Ministries with an amazing year in 2017, with growth and success in planting hope and changing lives. Since Greenhouse Ministries began 19 years ago the vision is still being fulfilled by involving local volunteers to serve the physical, mental, educational and spiritual needs of the underserved in our community. Thousands of people have received love and assistance, and each day our clients receive HELP with basic needs, EDUCATION through different classes, and CONNECTIONS with the needed resources for success.

As you look at the following report and read the statistics you will be able to see how God has allowed us to carry out the original vision of meeting more than just basic needs. We desire to address the client’s real needs which result in life changes. You will also see Greenhouse Ministries exists because it is a venue for the community to volunteer their time and talents to bless others.

Without the partnership of volunteers and financial partners, these thousands of services could not have happened. Our utmost gratitude to all who contributed time, talent and treasure to bless others and make our community a great place to live. Thank you for partnering with us to transform lives and share the hope found in Jesus. We hope this report fills your heart with joy and gratitude for all that God has done this year through generous and faithful supporters like you.

Blessings,
Cliff and Jane Sharp,
Executive Directors of Greenhouse Ministries
MISSION

Greenhouse Ministries, through local volunteers, provides relational services that are designed to inspire, give hope and change lives.

TWO-FOLD PURPOSE

Our purpose is to help, educate and connect the underserved through the power of God’s love, nurturing them in a safe place. And, to offer a community-based place for volunteers to share their gifts for the glory of God.
Ricky’s journey with Greenhouse Ministries began in September of 2017. He was seeking a change and desperately trying to find his way back to God from the dark and scary world he had been living in for a long time. With five day old worn clothes and blisters on his feet, he was unable to receive help. However, a police officer who was concerned with his physical and mental state, directed him to Greenhouse Ministries. After meeting with the Director of Counseling, Mike Dugan, he was able to receive food and clothing. He eventually joined the Wellspring Program, our housing program for homeless men. In Ricky’s own words, “I not only received physical assistance, but I felt the immediate love of God and Greenhouse Ministries. My growth both spiritual and physical has become a continuing process and Greenhouse Ministries has been a true blessing for me.”
HELP: 2017 at a Glance

Our generous community donated over 40,000 times resulting in:

- 245,992 lbs. of clothing, household items, books, shoes and misc. donations received
- 71,718 lbs. of food donated
51 bikes were given to clients to solve transportation needs for work

1,142 clients received clothes and shoes

600 sack lunches were given to homeless clients

We had 216 furniture pickups

833 clients received toiletries

121 clients received gas vouchers

160 clients received services from our Nursing Clinic

34 children and adults had bicycles repaired for free at the Recycle Bike Event

77 parents received baby formula, diapers, etc.

Over 8,000 individuals received food
160 clients received services from our occupational therapy interns

784 clients came in for free bread or a cup of coffee and sit in a warm, dry place

24 single mothers & seniors received free oil changes at our annual Oil Change Event

494 clients received appliances and household goods

47 clients received rover tickets for transportation needs

11 formerly homeless men were housed and mentored in our Wellspring program

219 clients received counseling
MEET DAVID

David joined the Greenhouse Ministries family in January 2017 through our education program. His goal was to improve his reading and comprehension skills. He worked as a supervisor during this time but desired to start his own business. With the help of his tutor, he spent months excelling in his studies. When he completed 10 months of tutoring, he graduated feeling more equip to reach his goals. (We have changed the name and used a stock photo to protect the client’s identity).
EDUCATE

We offered more than 15 re-occurring classes like budgeting, parenting, HiSet tutoring, computer skills, Bible studies and life skills.

Over 1400 hours of classroom work completed

More than 40 volunteer teachers participated

More than 5,500 student hours received
25 individuals/families flourished in the Hands Up for New Hope program

613 clients were served at our free Legal Clinic

We had 58 interns from various colleges (4 social work, 1 exercise science and 53 occupational therapy)

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MEET SOME OF THE VOLUNTEERS

ROY FIELDS

We love Roy because of his hard work in the warehouse. Roy has volunteered at Greenhouse for almost three years and he spends his time helping wherever he is needed in the warehouse. Roy accepts donations, weighs them and then takes them to where they need to go. He also assists the customers and he does all of these things with a smile on his face and a humble spirit. You can always count on him to do the tasks in front of him, and do them to perfection.

GINNY GORDON

Ginny has volunteered in our education department for many years as a reading and math tutor. She has helped many of our clients get to a much higher level in their studies. Ginny is an expert teacher because of her career. In 1991, Ginny and her husband, Gilbert, founded Cedar Hall School in Christiana, Tennessee. Ginny is the 5th and 6th grade math teacher as well as the administrator for the school. Ginny teaches with grace and gives new knowledge to every student she encounters, through Cedar Hall as well as at Greenhouse Ministries.
MICHAEL SETTLEMYER

Michael Settlemyer has volunteered at Greenhouse Ministries for over seven years, making him one of our most loyal volunteers. Michael is a peer counselor and spends his days here meeting with and mentoring our clients. Michael prays with every client and makes sure their specific needs are met. He sees a variety of people every day and treats every single one of them with dignity and respect. You can always count on Michael to show up when he is scheduled to be here. Those who interact with him say they feel a sense of peace after spending any amount of time with him. He is a true servant.

GINGER WOODWARD

Ginger is an interior designer by trade and we are so blessed to have her share her talents with us at Greenhouse! Ginger has volunteered for three and a half years and she spends her time working in our thrift shoppe, Garden Patch Thrift Shoppe. Ginger takes our donations and presents them in the store to look like a boutique. She has the gift of making each area of the store current and trendy. Our store manager, Sharon, recalls multiple occasions where customers have come in and asked for help redoing an area of their home and Ginger will give them free advice of things to purchase to match their vision. Ginger and the other volunteer decorators bring our store to a higher quality.
VOLUNTEER STATISTICS

30,752 VOLUNTEER HOURS AT GREENHOUSE IN 2017

Peer Counseling
Sorting Donations
Repairing Bicycles
Office Managing
Mobile Food Pantries
Garden Patch Thrift Shoppe
Repairing Bicycles
KYLIE FORTE

Kylie is the manager of our warehouse, but she has worn many hats before this role. Kylie started at Greenhouse Ministries like most staff members as a volunteer. A little over two years ago Kylie was hired to work in the Garden Patch Thrift Shoppe and from there she slowly transitioned to working full time in the warehouse. She sorts donations that come in and works with our customers in the warehouse. She also keeps up with the inventory so we know everything that comes in and out of the warehouse. Kylie is such a hard worker and we love her!

ALICIA GROEN

Alicia is one of the friendly face you see in the warehouse helping you with your donation or shopping needs. Alicia started volunteering with us; but, because the warehouse stays so busy she was hired to work full time in the fall of 2017. She has an eye for organization and always has a new idea for how to make the warehouse look up to date.
ANDY POUNDS
Andy started at Greenhouse Ministries as a volunteer working with our Veterans for Volunteers program. This program is a support system that fosters an environment that encourages success by pairing veterans who have transitioned back into life, with those who are struggling. Almost a year ago, Andy was hired to work with our Veterans for Volunteers program full time and handle any maintenance issues we have. Andy’s passion for helping others pours out of everything he does. You can feel the love of Jesus when you work with him!

PAT ROWLAND
Pat’s title is office manager, but she does so much more than simply manage the office. Pat is the friendly voice you hear when you call our office. Pat is the person who greets every client, volunteer, donor or partner that walks through our door. Pat also handles all client paperwork. She started her career as a school principal in Memphis and once she retired to Murfreesboro, she quickly realized the retirement life was not for her. She began volunteering at Greenhouse Ministries and two years ago she was hired to manage our office full time. Pat is efficient at everything she does and she keeps our office and front lobby running smoothly.
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SPECIAL EVENTS

JOHNNY B &
THE BALLADEERS
This scripture is a picture of the ultimate goal for each person who is connected to Greenhouse. Whether it is a client, volunteer, employee, or board member, their involvement is another step closer to the realization.

During this past year, we continued to work towards the fulfillment of our vision to help, educate, and connect clients while completing the first two phases in the development of our new and larger building.

We contracted with Dow Smith Construction to perform and complete a feasibility study that provides for two additional floors on the original planned three-story building. The second phase was to complete a review with the city planners. The additional two floors provide us the opportunity for the first supportive housing facility in our community. Once completed, we will have 41 residential apartments that will provide low-income housing. This expansion also allows us to have on-site staff to support the needs of the occupants. The bottom two floors will be used for classrooms and client services.

With the purchase of the land and the design of the building complete, in 2018 we will be focused on the next three phases of the development:

1. Rehabilitation of the current facilities
2. Acquisition of the parking lot adjacent to the current facilities to alleviate parking constraints as the parking lot to the north side of the current building is no longer accessible.
3. Break ground on the new facilities.

In December 2017, Bill Rawnsley joined Greenhouse Ministries as CEO to help us fulfill our vision. Bill has a heart for helping people fulfill God’s plan for their lives and brings management and leadership skills to successfully oversee the implementation of our expansion and growth.

We are thankful for your generosity and commitment to Greenhouse Ministries. Your partnership enabled us serve over 6500 clients through food distribution, classes, clothing, furniture, bicycles, counseling, and connecting our clients to the skills and programs to advance them.
We are a Christ-based nonprofit and we believe in the power of prayer. Day after day we see prayers answered at Greenhouse Ministries. We thank God that he continues to bless us and we ask you to join us.

We would cease to exist without our volunteers. Our volunteers meet with clients, they sort food and other donations, they teach our classes, work in the Garden Patch and much more. Whatever your passion, we have a place for you.

We take donations of all kinds at Greenhouse Ministries. A donation of money, food, clothes, toiletries, household items or furniture ensures that your neighbor will have what they need to thrive.