



ANNUAL REPORT

(Fiscal Year ending May, 2023)

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Since 1998, our partners, donors, and sponsors have generously provided financial and moral support while we have continued to develop programs to meet the unmet needs of the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky's less fortunate women and children.

The economic impact of the pandemic and other economic issues in our area has resulted in a major increase in the needs of our partners.

Our largest program, Operation School Bell, distributed more than 47,000 more items of clothing than in the prior year, a 100% increase. We added four schools to the program this year and now have a waiting list of four additional schools who need uniform style clothing and hygiene items for their students. We have promised help to these new schools as we secure additional funding.

The ALCares4Kids program added a new partner this year, which expanded our reach into Mainville, Ohio. This program now provides clothing to children in Hamilton, Warren, Butler, and Brown Counties. We provided over 11,000 articles of clothing, including diapers, to these partners. This also represents more than a 100% increase from the prior year. Our other three programs also grew by over 50% in distributed products.

As our population was recovering financially from the pandemic, we decided to provide them with as much assistance as possible. To do this, we were required to pull funds from our financial reserves last year, when incoming donations did not meet our expectations. In 2023-2024 a major effort is being made to increase financial support from our current and new donors, so that we may continue our mission of providing clothing, household items, and school supplies.

Individual and corporate support are critical to our mission, and we thank you for all you have generously provided in prior years. We sincerely hope that you will continue that support in the future. In 2021-2022, \$.94 of every dollar received was spent on programs. In 2022-2023 we increased that number to \$.96. We take great pride in the fact that we are a 100% volunteer organization and make every effort to spend your dollars wisely.

Leann Kuchenbuch
President



Mission Statement – Assistance League volunteers transforming lives of children and adults through community programs.

Vision Statement – Essential needs are met in our community and families flourish.

Core Values – Commitment, Leadership, Ethics, Accountability, and Respect



Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati
is a 501 (c)(3) corporation.



During the past year 19,656 children and adults benefitted from our five philanthropic programs.

OPERATION SCHOOL BELL® supplies new clothing, and hygiene supplies to students in 49 elementary schools.
“Because of Assistance League, our students have comfort and dignity in their appearance.”

AL® CARES 4 KIDS (formerly Kinship Foster Care) supplies diapers, hygiene items, underwear and socks, to children in foster care, kinship care, or are homeless.
“Most of our foster and kinship families would not be able to afford new underwear & socks, so would go without.”

NEW BEGINNINGS/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE provides a collection of essential household supplies and hygiene items, to families when they transition from one of the 7 local domestic violence shelters, to set up their new lives.
“Our clients are overjoyed, with these supplies, as it gives them comfort in knowing people do care about them, and support their ability to be independent in starting a new life.”

ASSAULT SURVIVOR KITS® include new clothes and toiletries, delivered to over 27 Cincinnati area hospitals for survivors of sexual assault.
“As most of our clients hand over clothing to the police, the Assistance League clothing allows our survivors to leave the hospital in comfort, without others bringing clothes to them.”

COLLEGE STARTER KITS are a collection of study supplies, given to adult students enrolled at two local colleges, for further education.
“Having these tools, right from the start, without dipping into their limited funds, helps set up students to succeed”

of individuals or families served in YE May 2023

Cumulative # since inception

13,858

74,930

4,390

9,621

310
adults
262
children

11,579
adults
2,094
children

417

7,758

419

4,293



We raise our funds *Responsibly* and manage them *locally*

Our funding comes from grants, a direct appeal campaign, special events and donations.

| SUPPORT AND REVENUES | FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 | FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Special Event Fundraising | \$66,313 | \$70,452 |
| Contributions and Grants | \$301,679 | \$306,264 |
| Non-Cash Contributions | \$3,155 | \$4,830 |
| Membership | \$7,899 | \$8,943 |
| Interest Income | \$1,046 | \$671 |
| Total support and revenue | \$380,092 | \$391,160 |

| EXPENSES | FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 | FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Program Services: | | |
| Operation School Bell® | \$399,189 (69.75%) | \$194,582 |
| College Starter Kits | \$17,580 (3.07%) | \$14,981 |
| New Beginnings/Domestic Violence | \$59,523 (10.40%) | \$39,765 |
| Assault Survivor Kits | \$15,972 (2.79%) | \$13,262 |
| AL Cares 4 Kits | \$62,496 (10.92%) | \$38,871 |
| Support Services | \$17,560 (3.07%) | \$20,596 |
| Total Expenses | \$572,320 | \$322,057 |

Details about supporting Service Expenses:

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|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Fundraising Activities | \$4,053 (0.71%) | \$6,573 |
| Management and General | \$7,455 (1.30%) | \$7,303 |
| Membership | \$6,052 (1.06%) | \$6,715 |
| | \$17,560 | \$20,591 |

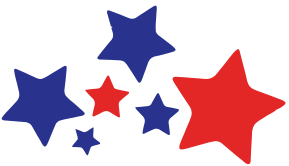
Total End of Year Net Assets: \$547,897

\$267,724

Value of time (10,470 hours) donated by members and community volunteers.

96%

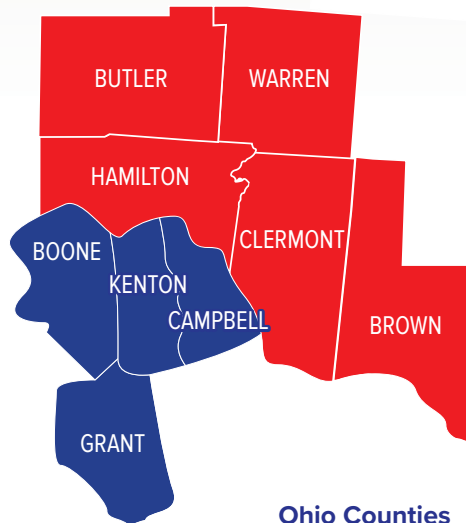
of all expenses were directed to our community programs.



We made a difference but

***you* made it possible.**

Counties Served



Ohio Counties
Hamilton, Brown,
Butler, Clermont, Warren

Kentucky Counties
Boone, Kenton,
Campbell, Grant

Current Partners for Program Services

Operation School Bell®

49 Schools in Ohio and Kentucky

College Starter Kits

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

IMPACT House at UC Gen 1 Program

New Beginnings/DV & ASK®

YWCA of Hamilton, Clermont and Butler Counties

Found House Interfaith Housing Network, Cinti. OH

Safe on Main, Lebanon, OH

Welcome House Inc., Cov., Ky

S.A.N.E. of Butler County

Tri-Health Cares

The ION Center for Violence Prevention, Cov., Ky

AL Cares 4 Kids

Children's Hospital, Clifton and Liberty Township

Jack's Closet, Cinti., OH

Vinedresser, Florence, KY

Monkey Beans Giving Closet, Sardinia, OH

Tabatha's Closet, Maineville, OH



What Our Partners and Recipients Tell Us

“The school supplies that Assistance League provides, gives our students a number of the tools they need to be successful students.”

“Assistance League’s consistent help with uniforms, has allowed parents to trust that we care for their children, and their well-being, beyond the classroom.”

“Our clients are ALWAYS thrilled with their New Beginnings Kits. They feel like they are set up for a fresh start.”

We Are Grateful for the Major Contributions from the following:

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The Spaulding Foundation
The Elsa M. Heisel Sule Foundation
The Western & Southern Financial Group
The Woodwood Trust
And Several Anonymous Donors

Thank you!

How you can help:

- JOIN US** – We would love to have you as a member.
- VOLUNTEER** – We have lots of opportunities.
- DONATE** – To our philanthropic programs.
- SUPPORT US** – Attend our special events.

