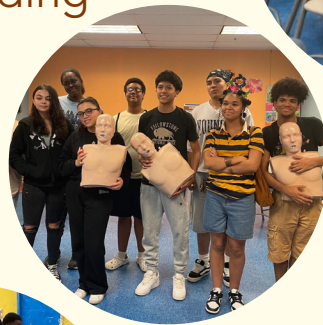


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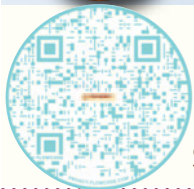
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Our children and teenagers need you more than ever. You are building leaders with your financial support of our after school and summer programs. You provide a safe place for second through twelfth graders to gather for large and small group activities that are teaching them; how to solve problems, communicate better, take initiative, and work in groups. Here are ways your immediate financial gifts will have a greater impact in 2025.

- **\$15** Provides a meeting with students over tea/soda.
- **\$30** Helps six students to meet in a small group for life discussions.
- **\$150** Provides training for high school and young adult leaders.
- **\$250** Host a youth or young adult outreach event.
- **\$500** Throw a community pizza party.

THANKFUL FOR DONOR SUPPORT

- Because of You, our faithful donors and supporters, we were able to move forward in providing needed services and programs:
- Your donations made it possible for us to contract with the Institute of Music for Children to provide the teaching artists and materials for arts and cultural activities during afterschool and summer.
- Your support guaranteed services of Incredible Days, which hosts our weekly virtual justice program, Students United for Justice (SUFJ).
- Your dollars gave Restore staff and the resources to continue and to make new community partnerships with The Elizabethport Presbyterian Center, County of Union Parks and Recreations and The County of Union Department of Human Services.
- Your funds were utilized to maintain a community atmosphere by celebrating honor rolls, birthdays, and playing fun games together.
- You made it possible for students to attend live theater, enriching and fun field trips such as museums, bowling, roller skating, summer day camp, financial aid workshops, CPR and First Aid certifications, summer youth jobs, and college and trade school visits.
- Churches, businesses, grantors, City of Elizabeth, County of Union, Donor Advisor Funds, and major donors sponsored projects, staff, community service, and general operations.
- Each and every individual donor is the backbone of our day-to-day support.

COLLEGE ALUMNI

DARRYL is a transfer student from Union College to NJIT. NJIT student volunteers include **MILAY, JUAN** and **ISAIAH**, a sophomore, senior, and recent NJIT graduate, respectively. **JAKUB** is also a graduate of NJIT and will work at DLB Associates. **TONY** is a sophomore at Rutgers, New Brunswick. **JOCELYN** is a senior at Montclair University. **ERIK** is graduating from Kean University. **KAYLEE, JOSEPH,** and **KEVIN** are attending Union College. **NATHALIE** is a freshman at Seton Hall University. **JULIE** is a freshman at Kean University. **JEREMIAH** is applying to Union County Vocational-Technical Adult School.

Honoring the Life and Legacy of THOMAS “KELLY” BAGBY



It is with heavy hearts and deep gratitude that we share news of the passing of Thomas “Kelly” Bagby, a cherished leader, mentor, and friend who went home to be with the Lord on December 17th, 2024. Tom’s life was one of faith, philanthropy, and a commitment to nurturing the potential in those he encountered.

Known for his leadership and boundless love, Tom’s impact was felt across all facets, from his dedicated work as a board member and finance director at Restore Ministries to his roles as a Senior Vice President at Budge Industries and an elder at Hope Community Church.

In memory of Tom’s remarkable life, Restore Ministries has established a tribute donation fund. The tribute donation fund will be matched up to \$10,000. Contributions to this fund will continue Tom’s passion for empowering children and teenagers through Restore’s programs, ensuring his legacy of love and fellowship continues.

We invite those touched by Tom’s life—his church family, colleagues, friends, and the broader community—to join us in honoring his memory. Contributions can be made online at the [Restore Ministries Website](#) or by mail to Restore Ministries, P.O. Box 29, Elizabeth, NJ 07207-0029.

Tom believed that his love for others was rooted in God’s love, a love that never failed. As we mourn his passing, we also celebrate the incredible gift of his life, knowing that his impact will endure through the many lives he has shaped.

Thank you for your solidarity as we honor this extraordinary man.



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REALIZING POTENTIAL ..MAXIMIZING ACHIEVEMENT FROM THE FOUNDER AND CEO

The Restore Board deeply appreciates the 2024 support we received from our volunteers, partners and donors. Because your time and resources were generously given, our members and their families received services and programs that helped them move into hope-filled futures. God's love is being shared, and new possibilities have been extended within the cities of Elizabeth, Linden, Union, and Roselle. You're truly transforming lives!

I marvel at your generosity and faithfulness towards the Restore Ministries community. Each year there is a request form completed by you to participate in fulfilling the goals and finances; I'm always amazed by your positive response. Together, here are some of our major accomplishments:



1. Three Restore Ministries' alumni have graduated this year from Kean University and NJIT.
2. Our 2024 high school graduates are now first-year students at two and four-year colleges and trade schools.
3. Our 2024 high school graduates who did not pursue higher education are gainfully employed
4. The Arts Community Enrichment (A.C.E.) summer day camp expanded from 37 participants in 2023 to 75 participants in 2024 - an increase of 100%!
5. Restore members have three opportunities to connect with us during the school year: Monday at the Snyder Academy in Midtown Elizabeth, Tuesday online at Students United for Justice, and Thursday at the Miller-Evans-Logan Recreation Center in the Elizabethport section of Elizabeth.

You have made all of this and so much more possible. You remain a vital part of Restore Ministries' success. Yet, the challenges in 2025 are genuine while young people and their families continue to count on the support you give year after year. One of these challenges: in 2024, the City of Elizabeth graciously awarded Restore Ministries a one-time grant of \$30,000, which was in addition to their annual support. These grant monies enabled the increased participation at Arts Community Enrichment (A.C.E.) summer day camp. After this success, I hope we do not have to go backwards. Therefore, my prayer includes new funds that will replace this \$30,000 by July 1, 2025. These replacement funds will allow Restore to continue the increased rate of participation at A.C.E. summer day camp in 2025. My second prayer: to complete Restore's third mission and service trip in 2025. Our most recent trip, in 2022, was to Mississippi. In 2025, Washington, D.C. would be a great location for Restore's mission and service trip, despite the estimated price tag: \$7,500.00.

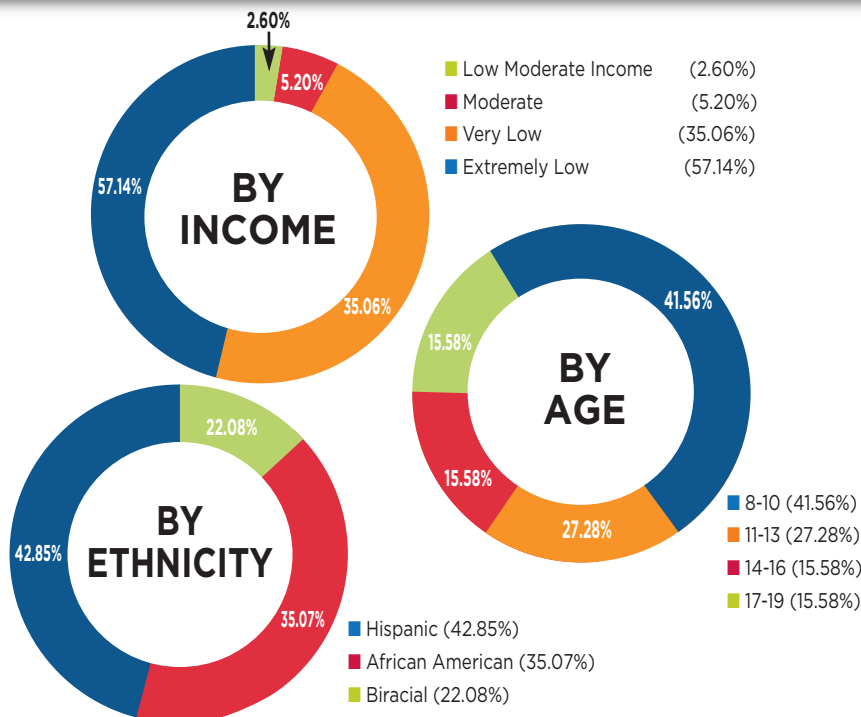


Please continue to support Restore Ministries with 2025 contributions and your prayers. We look forward to our continued partnership and promise to keep you up-to-date on our great work in the lives of young people. Together, we are giving city youth the means for envisioning a bright future, setting challenging and realistic goals and, ultimately, finding their path to success.

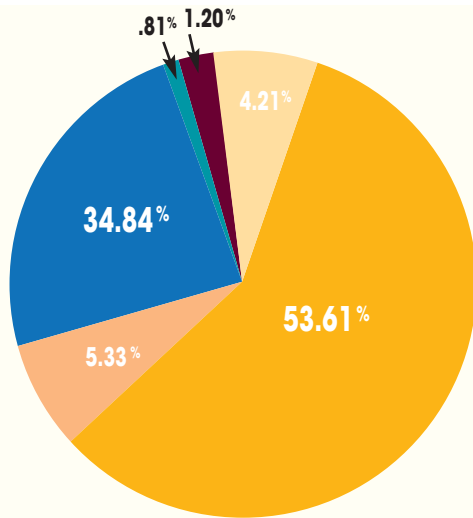
The last thirty years have been possible because parents trust us, annual youth participation, and because of all our donors and supporters - like you - who volunteer, pray and provide Restore's financial backbone.

Thank you.

SNAPSHOT: Restore



2024 FINANCES AND DONORS



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| Administration | \$1,400 | .81% |
| Payroll | \$95,400 | 53.61% |
| Insurances | \$9,500 | 5.33% |
| Programs | \$62,000 | 34.84% |
| Occupancy | \$7,500 | 4.21% |
| Fundraising | \$2,150 | 1.20% |
| Total | \$177,950 | |

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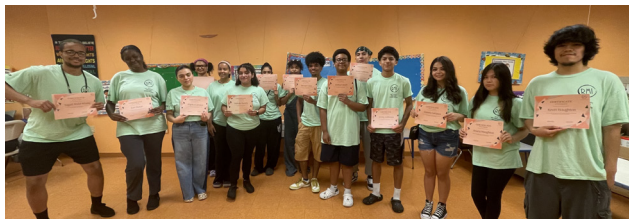
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