



**GOD'S RESORT**  
**2024**

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In 2006, faith-filled people accepted God's invitation to just start showing up at what was known as the "last resort" – a place of hopelessness and despair. We were believing God for more! It is amazing what faith and obedience to God will produce! From the beginning, we have been believing for more than we could see with physical eyes. In the place of hopelessness, we saw hope – because God was turning the "last resort" into God's Resort! This is a Christ-centered community that helps people choose freedom from the past and reach their potential as children of God!

Isolation is the poison to progress, but a community living in the powerful love of Jesus is the pathway to healing! God's Resort has grown tremendously in every way to meet the needs of the Joplin area for relational, transitional housing. We have the honor of helping people grow in stability and get to where they could not get without a family.

Often, God's Resort is the first healthy family our residents have ever known. We are always praying for God to provide more room for people to experience such a family where true freedom only comes through Jesus!

When you walk into this community, you will feel a light and a love that are rare in this dark, and lonely world. God is doing immeasurably more than anything we could ask or even imagine according to His power that is at work in us (Eph. 3:20)! Lives are being transformed in Joplin and impacting generations to come! We invite you to join us in believing God for more!



**JAY ST. CLAIR**  
CO-FOUNDER AND  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



## OUR MISSION

Helping people, through Christ-centered community, choose freedom from the past and reach their potential as children of God.

## WHO WE ARE



40 homes filled with individuals and families



30 children who live at God's Resort or visit their families

# KEY OUTCOMES

## PERSONAL STABILITY



**15 residents** gained stability and moved from God's Resort this year, with an average stay of **2 1/2 years**.

 **84%**

**84% of residents** have a history of substance abuse and are sustaining an average of **2 1/2 years of sobriety!**



Residents **attend one large event and one small event** weekly at God's Resort. We also help our residents get involved in a **local church** so they can broaden their Christian community.

## COMMUNITY AND SPIRITUAL INVOLVEMENT

Residents of God's Resort volunteer an average of **2x per month!**

The average number of people in our resident's **supportive helping circle** increased!  
**Initial - 6**  
**Current - 9**



# FINANCIAL STABILITY

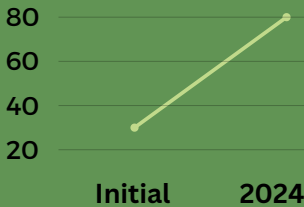
## EMPLOYMENT

Residents who have lived at God's Resort longer than a year are sustaining an average of **2 years** of unbroken employment.

Timely rent was paid **93%** of the time!



**23 residents** graduated from our personalized four-part Financial Peace University course! That's up from 8 graduates last year!



For residents living at God's Resort longer than a year, we have seen a significant jump in utilizing a written budget!

**Initial - 30%**  
**Current - 80%**



## PAYING DOWN DEBT

Residents who have paid down debt have dissolved a cumulative total of **\$78,371** in personal debt since living at God's Resort. These residents paid down an average of **\$7,033 each!**

## Average Credit Scores

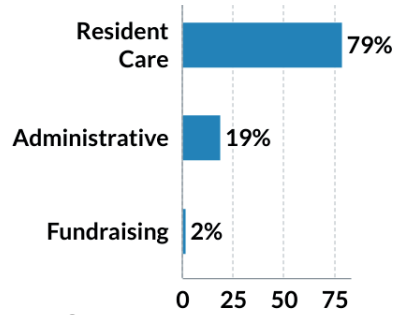
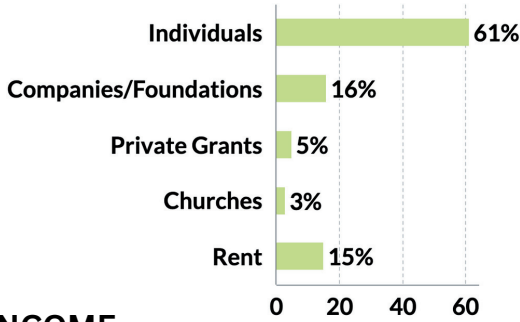
Initial - 546

Current - 650

**This is a 104-point increase!\***

\*Average scores for those who have lived at God's Resort more than one year.

# INVESTMENT REPORT



## INCOME BREAKDOWN

## EXPENSE BREAKDOWN



### VOLUNTEER HOURS

Volunteers served over **15,985 hours** this last year! This is **equivalent to 8 full-time employees**. Clearly, we could not do what we do without **YOU!** Thank you!





## WHO SHOULD SEEK A HOME AT GOD'S RESORT

- Can pay rent but can't afford traditional housing and utilities
- Understands their need for regular work and is employed
- Is at least six months clean of any substance addiction
- Desires a community of Christ-centered support and accountability



Learn more



Meet our staff

## COMMUNITY EVENTS AT GOD'S RESORT

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

### SUNDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Sundays at 5:30pm

### BIBLE STUDY

Mondays at 6:30pm

### REFUEL PRAYER SERVICE

Tuesday at 6:30pm

### RECOVERY MEETING

Wednesdays at 6:30pm

### COFFEE AND CHAT

Thursdays at 9:00am

### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Saturdays at 8:30am

### MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

First Saturday of the month at 8:30am

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Saturdays at 8:30am

## WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- Pray daily for God's Resort
- Be a friend to our residents
- Volunteer with our children
- Attend a God's Resort community event
- Volunteer to help maintain God's Resort properties
- Partner with God's Resort through financial giving.



# The Well

at GOD'S RESORT

## EXCITING MINISTRY FOR WOMEN AT GOD'S RESORT!

### ABOUT

The Well at God's Resort is a discipleship ministry to help women become more rooted in God's truth and love. Our staff and volunteers help them grow in their journey toward holistic transformation and healing in Jesus! We have dedicated a home where these women live in community together under one roof in preparation to someday move into their own single-family home at God's Resort.

### WHO IS THE WELL FOR?

The Well is for women...

- Ages 21 and older who want to grow deeper with God
- Who are new in recovery and not in active drug or alcohol use, and are pursuing sobriety and seeking greater healing
- Who have experienced life's trauma and need a community of healing support



Apply





**TRUE GOSPEL. TRUE LOVE. TRUE FREEDOM.**

## **HOW TO GET INVOLVED AT THE WELL?**

- **Become a prayer partner**
- **Help us financially sustain The Well**
- **Mentor a woman or spend time as a friend**
- **Serve as an overnight RA or lead activities**
- **Drive residents to work or appointments**
- **Provide office help**



**Volunteer**

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



- Special Events (Christmas, etc.)
- Youth Programming
- Office Help
- Maintenance and Projects
- Yard-work/Mowing
- Light Construction/Painting
- Worship and Production
- Meal Prep/Serve Team
- Move-in or Cleaning Team
- Faith Community Nurse
- Serve at The Well
- LINC: Friend to Resident or Teen

We have service opportunities for people of all ages and skill levels who are passionate about helping others and want to give back to their community.



Volunteer





**I would like to join the God's Resort team:**

- Partner with you in prayer
- Serve as a volunteer

Making a special gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Making a pledge gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month

- Please update my contact info

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

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