



Across The Bridge is entering 2024 with our most aggressive budget of over \$400,000.

In the five years of our existence, we have grown from one to seven full-and part-time employees. And we have served 131,735 people through our in-house and outreach meetings.

We have taken over our 9000-square-foot building of two suites and reconstructed it for simultaneous and larger meetings during that time. We have also nearly doubled the number of people we served in 2019 and established ourselves as a relevant force for addiction recovery, homelessness, and veteran assistance. Our approach of combining faith-changing spiritual development with solid recovery principles has created space to grow within our walls.

Below are some of the other results in the last five years:

- Created a complete menu of diverse meetings to choose from
- We served over 10,000 meals in various events and meetings
- 173 people were baptized in a decision of faith
- Over 50,000 articles of clothing were distributed free of charge
- We more than doubled the grants we receive from year to year
- Almost 9,000 recovery chips handed out in over 2700 meetings including over 250 one-year plus chips
- More than 1500 Life Recovery Bibles and Workbooks distributed for free

HEART To Serve is an extension of what we are already doing, requiring more person-hours and funds to supply our added budget needs. For example, by the end of January 2024, we will top 4,000 individuals for the month served for the first time ever. The growth comes from the uniqueness of what we do and its effects on changing lives. Here is the **HEART** of the matter:

Hispanic Recovery and Human Services Development

Events That Inspire Growth

Addiction Recovery Groups Expansion

Recovery Life Skills Training

Tackling Veteran, Food Insecurity and Homelessness Issues

HEART to Serve will also include continuing our Cat Howard Scholarship Program that helps those affected by addiction in their family, our outreach to other recovery/sober living facilities, potential expansion opportunities in Gwinnett County, and building a more substantial base of recovery resources.

In the "love month," our goal in February is to raise \$150,000 to support our initiatives for the year. We are asking for your support, praying you will see that your investment in ATB is a life-altering and love-supporting donation, 100% tax deductible.

Let's do more together in '24,