



Annual Impact Report



2023

Everyone deserves a brighter tomorrow

Everyone deserves to live with dignity, security, and hope for the future. At Bridge Builders, we believe that no one should have to face life's challenges alone. Whether it's putting food on the table, ensuring children have the essentials they need, or providing a safe place to call home, our mission is rooted in the belief that every individual has the right to access support and opportunities to thrive. We are committed to walking alongside those who are struggling, because everyone deserves a chance to rebuild, renew, and succeed.



"Imagine the moment you have to walk into a place and ask for help just to feed your children. This is the harsh reality for many of our neighbors—facing the unimaginable every day just to ensure their families have enough to eat."

Kelly Hinder – CEO | Bridge Builders Inc

2,576

Households Supported

7,955

Individuals Supported

47,730

Meals back on the table

Projects

Details

Outcome

Community Food Pantry

Provides essential food relief to families and individuals facing food insecurity, offering a reliable source of nourishment during tough times.

- Distributed over 50 food relief hampers per week.
- Increased our budget for shelf stable pantry items.

The Haven

Offers transitional community housing for single-parent families and seniors, providing a safe and supportive environment as they work towards stability and independence.

- Purchased a house to establish the first home in our Haven program.

Gift of Christmas

Spreads holiday cheer by ensuring that families in need receive festive meals and gifts, bringing joy to those who might otherwise go without.

- Despite the current pressures on all families collected a record breaking amount of food from local community drives.
- Provided the Gift of Christmas to 150 families.

The year in review



As we look back on this past year, I'm truly grateful to share the highlights of what we've achieved together in 2023. Whether you've supported us as a donor, volunteer, community partner, or in any other way, your dedication has made all the difference, helping us provide crucial support to those in our community facing hunger, homelessness, and poverty.

This year, we saw an overwhelming need for food assistance, driven by rising living costs and financial struggles for many families. In response, our team worked hard to distribute over 2,300 food relief hampers—the most we've ever provided in a single year. Our community food pantry has been a lifeline for so many, but the increased demand has stretched our resources thin, showing just how important ongoing support, volunteers, and resources are.

The rise in requests for food assistance highlights the importance of the work we do, and it also pushes us to keep advocating for changes that ensure everyone has the resources they need. We're committed to continuing this work.

Your support has helped us reach new milestones and make a bigger impact than ever before. As you go through this report, we invite you to celebrate with us the achievements we've made and the challenges we've overcome. Let's also renew our shared commitment to our vision of nourishing our community. Looking ahead to 2024, we remain focused on our mission, with a vision of a community where everyone has access to the food and services they need to thrive. Thank you for being part of this journey. Together, we're making a real difference as we work toward long-term solutions to hunger, hardship, and poverty.

Kelly Hinder, CEO



Sustainability

fighting hunger and reducing food waste

Our Community Food Pantry plays a vital role in reducing food waste through our strong partnerships with local supermarkets and larger food rescue organisations. Our dedicated volunteer drivers visit these stores multiple times a week, collecting overstocked items, food nearing expiration, and more. This initiative not only prevents food from going to waste but also provides crucial support to our neighbours facing hunger.

In the past year, the Community Food Pantry has rescued over 40,000 kg of fruit, vegetables, and bakery items, diverting them from landfill and instead delivering them to families in need.

We're also committed to recycling plastic, paper, and boxes, benefiting both our community and the environment. Fresh produce and baked goods find their way to local tables, while items unsuitable for human consumption are given to local farmers for animal feed or compost, helping to grow even more fruits and vegetables.



Finance Overview

ASSETS \$507,679.81

Cash \$15,605.67

House \$448,411.98

LIABILITIES \$227,201.22

PROFIT & LOSS

Total Income \$124,867.47

EXPENSES & DEDUCTIONS

Employment \$95,956.37

Programs \$9,145.28

Vehicle \$3,529.45

Insurance \$84.15

Other \$12,664.39



Funding summary

\$74,271.65

Donations

\$38,733.08

Grants

\$0.00

Government

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