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# SOME REFLECTIONS

As I reflect on 2024 at The Center, I cannot help but see the hand of God at work. Statistics will be highlighted on another page, but the people we get to walk alongside, live alongside, serve & be served by are so much more than statistics. The Center is truly impacting individual lives, families, and as a result, the community.

Dee represents many of the families who are impacted by The Center. She is a single mother of six, works full time, yet struggles to provide for her family. When Dee had to flee from an abusive relationship five years ago, she found herself isolated and without support in the town of Midland. Through the school she learned of The Center and began utilizing our food bank and shortly after enrolled her children in our youth programs. She tells us The Center was a new beginning for her family. Her first-grade daughter was provided with a private tutor who is working with her to learn to read at grade level. Her third-grade daughter now has a mentor through The Center who is helping her socially and emotionally and both are a part of our peer mentoring program. Her 9th grade son has a space to work out and interact with other youth in safe, healthy spaces. And her 11th grade daughter has been employed at The Center Thrift. Dee attends adult classes and meets on a regular basis with The Center's directors to receive support and share life together. She now believes the future will be healthier for her family, feels supported as a mom, and knows she has agency to make positive change in her life and the lives of her children.

Stories like this are why we continue to do what we do each day. Thank you so much for being a part of their stories!

Sincerely,  
Jen Miller, Executive Director

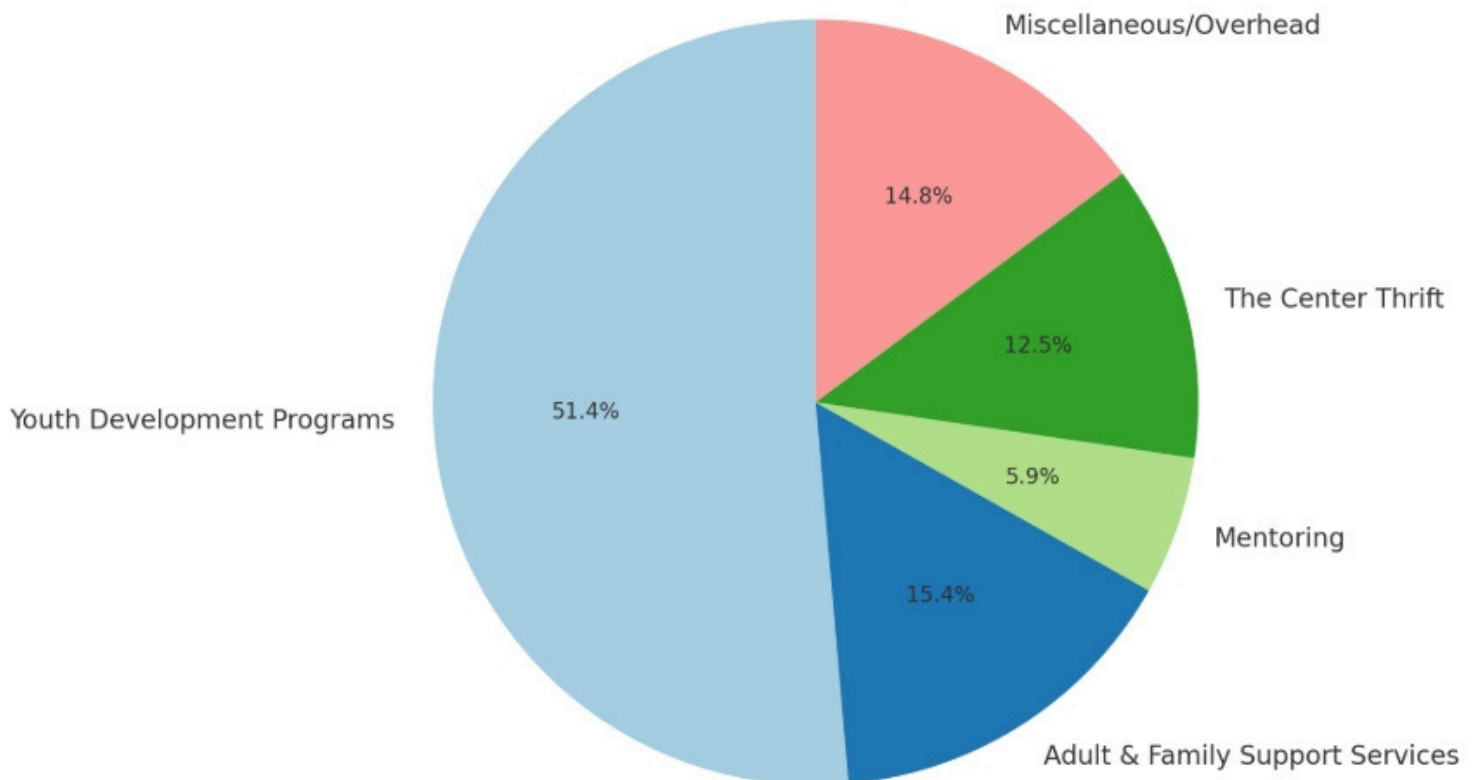


# OUR LATEST NUMBERS

The Center's total revenue for 2024 was \$342,344.94

This was higher than past years due to a \$68,000 grant we received to provide clean water to our schools and families. All percentages are based on direct & indirect costs.

Expense Distribution







# OUR PROGRESS

Some statistics from 2024:

- 212 individual students K4-12th grade were impacted by The Center.
- 3,141 bags of snacks were sent home with students for the weekend.
- 415 families were served through our food bank.
- 144 volunteers served at The Center contributing 7,795 hours.
- 75 adults were served through various support services.
- 34 peer mentors & 12 community-based were matched.
- 38 students received support from our on-site counselor.
- 26 trips & events for students were provided.
- 4 adults & 4 students were employed by The Center Thrift.
- 600 families are being provided with water filtration systems.
- 100s of bikes were fixed or distributed through Communicycle.

These numbers reflect only part of the picture of what God has been doing through The Center. We are seeing lives being transformed! An example of this is Max, a second-grade student who has been attending The Center since he was 4 years old. Max struggled with anger issues and often had to be removed from programming due to his behavior. Over the past five years, Max consistently attended our afterschool and summer programs, peer mentoring program, and was matched with a community-based mentor. Due to the relentless love and time of so many adults in his life, we have witnessed an incredible change in Max this past year. He is learning to control his emotions, volunteers to help however he can, has become a role model to his peers, and is full of joy. His mom tells us his behavior has improved at home, as well, and he strives to work hard in school. The change we see in Max is so much more than behavioral, it is truly the work of God in his life, and he eagerly tells everyone how much God means to him. Thank you for your part in impacting this young life and so many others like him!



# OUR GOALS

As the only community-based nonprofit in Midland, The Center is unique in that we get to walk alongside students through their entire lifespan. By 2026, The Center's goals are to:

- Foster character development in youth by providing safe spaces and safe people. This will be measured by a 5% decrease in juvenile crime in Midland and 75% of students giving back through service. Midland students will be recognized as young people of integrity in the county.
- Foster healthy families and safe parenting. This will be measured by 60% of families making healthy family relational decisions through an increase in communication skills and social emotional skills. Midland will be a center of family health in the county, not a place where others go to help, but where they look to model.
- Foster faith and hope. This will be measured by 80% of all students growing in their relationship with Jesus Christ. Midland will be a community of flourishing faith in word and action, a place where hope is viable.

We expect to accomplish this by providing safe spaces, safe people, and safe parenting, where all students will experience an increase in their sense of actual safety, leading to thriving lives, health, and freedom from destructive patterns. As a result of the above outcome, young adults will realize their ability to transform their future and lead their community.



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