# Mission: St. Louis Mid-Year Update



# Welcome!

Thank you for all of your continued support. Today we wanted to check in and share with you the results from our last two quarters. Today we'll be discussing:

- Community Response Fund
- Beyond School
- Beyond Jobs
- Beyond Charity
- Grants
- Events

# Community Response Fund



#### **Through 6 Essential Drives:**

- 8,500 individuals served from 2,290 families spanning 52 zip codes
- 4,087 kids
- 1,424 seniors (1,061 households)

#### In total, essentials by the numbers:

- 56,000+ pounds of fresh food
- 23,000+ non-perishables
- 3,000+ rolls of toilet paper
- 6,000+ masks
- 3,000+ diapers

Over 115 volunteers helped and spent over 1,336 hours on the drives.



### **Community Response Fund**

#### What else has the fund accomplished?

- New job essentials Steel toe boots, uniforms, laptops, headsets, etc.
- Educational STEM kits 150 kits of 7 projects each were provided to students
- Recruitment for Beyond Jobs programming

### **Beyond School**







#### Last school year:

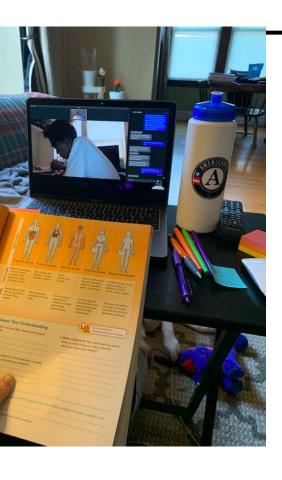
- 154 students from 25 different zip codes
- 59 enrichment classes
- 21 community service learning projects

Once the shutdowns began, Beyond School regularly checked in with students. As of May, there had been 500+ virtual tutoring and check-in sessions.

#### Virtual summer 2020 Program:

- 70 students
- Kits were sent to student's houses for enrichment classes — yoga, STEM, mindfulness, fitness and nutrition, cooking, etc.

To learn more about Beyond School program, visit our website



### **Beyond School**

#### How did the school year end?

- Students grew an average 1.3 years in reading and 1.1 years in math
- 82% of students maintained or increased their development of life skills
- After the shutdown, students spent 12.5 hours a week in Beyond School remotely (roughly the same amount of time they would have spent in school)

#### What's next?

 Beyond School is following the lead of our partner schools for the upcoming school year and will support in any way possible.

### **Beyond School Virtual Check-In Story**

"During these unprecedented times, our mental health has to come first and take priority. Yes, school is important and necessary, and remote learning was essential for these students to continue to practice their skills and maintain some type of schedule, but the non-school related conversations I had with students seemed to be what they sometimes needed the most. Providing that listening ear or that interaction with someone outside of the immediate family was mutually beneficial and I am grateful we get to continue those conversations during the summer."

- Jenny L., Beyond School LPA Associate (ACM May 2020 Stories)

### **Beyond Jobs**



### 2020 so far... Enrollment:

- 16 men graduated in March from our last JLT class
- 31 participants enrolled in Beyond Jobs classes
- 230 Phase 2 check-ins

#### **Employment:**

- \$13 average hourly wage
- 34 participants connected with full time employment between March and June
- 25 unique employers

#### Services:

- \$42,150 in supportive services since July 2019
- \$16,400 in housing assistance in 2020

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### **Beyond Jobs**

#### What else is happening?

- M:STL has made the transition from the JLT model to the EACH1 (employment and community health as one) model - completed the first full month of classes since the pandemic
- Through a partnership with SLU Law Clinics a full-time lawyer moved into our office to provide legal services to our clients
- We have made three new partnerships that allows client access to micro-loans, credit repair, shoes and reliable transportation.
- Diversion program partnership with the St. Louis 22nd Circuit Court will embed success coaches in the court to provide pretrial services such as transportation and and court reminders and participants will be enrolled in EACH1.



### **Beyond Jobs**

#### What's new?

- Dress For Success Provides clothes, hygiene products and bedding to clients
- Healing Hearts Microloan with a low interest rate for clients
- Sneakers with Soul Children have the opportunity to get a pair of Nikes or Adidas sneakers every 3 months
- STL Youth Jobs -47 participants, 30 who are currently placed in jobs

### **Beyond Jobs COVID Response**

When the pandemic began M:STL adapted to the needs of the community. A woman in the area, who was not a participant in our programs, came to Mission looking for some help. The Beyond Jobs team was able to help her find a job and get a bank account, as well as installed an air conditioner in her home.

- "Because of your dollars, you helped someone stay cool."
  - Connor Schoenberger, Employer Relations Specialist

### **Beyond Charity**



#### Home repairs since January:

- 45 households
- 506 repairs (average 11 per person)
- 593 hours of on-site labor
- \$12,827 in labor costs
- \$21,135 in material costs

## AMP (Authentic Missional Practice) groups since January:

- University of Wisconsin-Madison: 11 volunteers,
   275 hours worked over 5 days
- George Williams College: 10 volunteers, 200 hours worked over 4 days

#### Future AMP groups:

ChurcHouse - Webster Groves - 10-20 volunteers



### **Beyond Charity**

COVID-19 limited the ability for the team to do in-house work. The Home Repair team responded to the community's need in other ways...

- Delivered resource information to over 30 senior living buildings
- Cut over 80 lawns for St. Louis area seniors
- Hand delivered essential supplies to over 150 seniors

A new record of 176 VISTAS served this year and 25% of previous VISTAS have re-enlisted for a second year

To learn more about Beyond Charity, visit our website.

### **Beyond Charity Home Repair Story**

"Originally, we thought it was going to be a bathroom remodel that included a zero-entry shower to make it more handicap accessible for our clients, Ms. Walker. What we ended up finding, however, was a much larger problem.... Thankfully, our funders have given us tremendous latitude and trust us to do whatever is necessary to complete these types of projects...Overall, this is a great success story of how Mission: St. Louis' Home Repair team incorporates multiple funding partners' objectives to improve the quality of life for those we serve. With your continued support, we hope to expand this service to more and more seniors throughout the city."

- Todd Martin, Director of Home Repair

### **Grants**

#### What's new?

- STL Youth Jobs funding to provide work experiences to 50 young people, aged 18-24
- Missouri Counts funding to encourage people to participate in the 2020 Census
- Charless Foundation funding to support home repair for older adults living in South City

#### **Grant total: \$848,01**

#### EACH1 & Beyond Jobs

- Partner Stability Grant (Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis)
- Youth Empowerment Services Portfolio (City of St. Louis Department of Human Services)
- Affordable Housing Commission

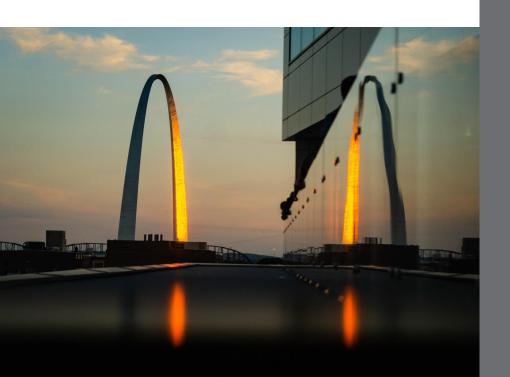
#### COVID Response

- Union Pacific
- Ameren
- Flourish
- St. Louis Community Foundation
- CARES (Community Development
  Administration and the Department of Human
  Services)

#### Home Repairs

- Marillac Mission Fund

### **Events**



### What is coming up?

- August 19th- Essentials Drive
- September 12th- Night for the Town Gala
- December 12th- Affordable Christmas



### Thank you!

#### How can you continue to be involved?

- If you know anyone who would be involved in <u>EACH1</u>
- You can become a mentor to someone in the Beyond Jobs program, email patrick.graneydolan@missionstl.org
- You can continue to help by donating directly to Mission: St. Louis.
- You can sponsor or get involved with the <u>Night for the Town</u> gala or Affordable Christmas.
- The next Essentials Drive is August 19th, if you are interested in volunteering please email Laura, <u>laura@missionstl.org</u>

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