

AIM

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"Community"

**2024
Annual
Report**



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Our Mission

Connecting people with support, resources, and education so they can empower themselves to become self-sufficient.

Our Vision

We envision a community where all people are equipped with tools and resources necessary for a stable and prosperous life.

Giving Hope. Changing Lives.

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Message from AIM's Leadership

Over the past year, Anderson has seen the community come together, just as it always does in a crisis. After the devastation of Hurricane Helene, the community responded by answering our plea to restock our shelves after we experienced record numbers of individuals needing food, water, and more.

Our Housing Rehabilitation program has gained new contractors, volunteers, and donors to help make much needed repairs to homes in Anderson County. The storm only multiplied this need. Without this community providing gap funding to leverage other program dollars, this work would not be possible.

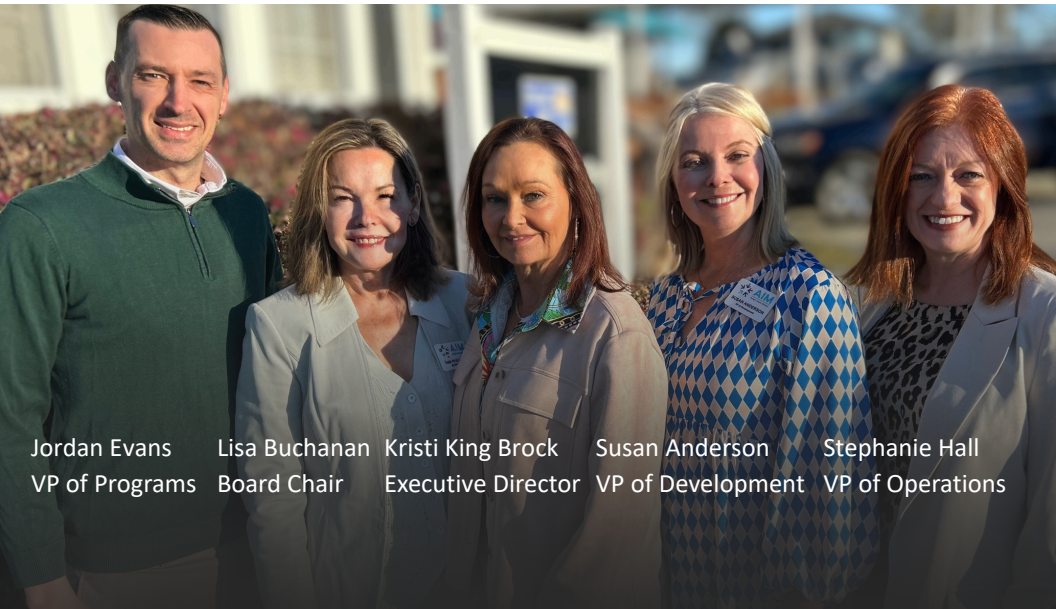
Our Employment Pathways Program provided crucial training for SNAP Recipients in response to the loss of federal dollars and lack of skilled workers in the medical field.

Our community came together, once again, to provide a new space for AIM's FoodShare Program to grow. Anderson School District 5 gave AIM the opportunity to make use of a building off Fant St. to have proper space to house this new program. The program provides affordable and healthy produce options for a reduced rate to not only SNAP recipients, but all Anderson residents. This would not have been possible without our community's support, which started with a challenge grant issued by Carol and William Kenley and met by many community members, AnMed, First Presbyterian Church, Anderson University Athletics & more.

We are grateful for this community that responds to the needs of its people and we pray that this support will continue long after the reminders of the storm.

Thank you, Anderson, for supporting AIM over the past 35 years and we ask for your continued support as we continue to "Give Hope and Change Lives" in this community.

-AIM Leadership



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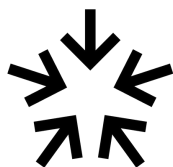
Available to help meet the needs of families with food insecurity within the Anderson Community, we offer a variety of programs throughout the year. Recipients include residents in temporary need and families who are receiving SNAP benefits. We are most known for our drive-thru Food Pantry where households may receive assistance once each month. We are open Monday - Friday from 9:00-10:00 am or until 45 families are served.



\$1,384,957.37
Total Value of Food Distributed

\$1,228,825.75
Total Value of In-Kind Donations

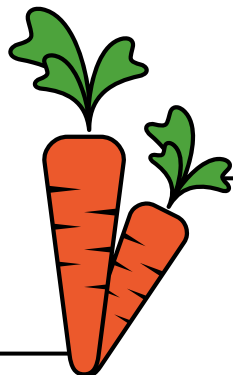
\$66,827.50
Total Value of Agency Sharing



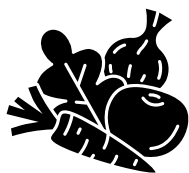
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FOODSHARE ANDERSON COUNTY



AIM is excited to increase access to healthy, fresh food through FoodShare Anderson, a branch of FoodShare South Carolina. Fresh Food Boxes are filled with 9 to 11 varieties of fresh fruits and vegetables. With the contents changing weekly, it's an affordable and exciting way to eat healthy food.



16,736

Pounds of Produce Distributed



1,046

Boxes Sold



647

Boxes Purchased with SNAP



In addition to the recipe cards included in each box, FoodShare Coordinator, Joy Tucker has created an online group to share recipes, healthy eating tips, nutrition information and more! Join the conversation today!

*Scan
Here!*

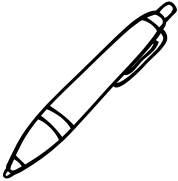


Making a difference, one box at a time...

Financial Stability

Financial Stability Center at AIM is the hub for services that support community financial wellness. Monthly classes and workshops are FREE to all. In addition, eligible individuals may benefit from the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program and the X-Factor employment training. Employment Pathways and Pivotal Support are also available.

Employment Pathways



56

Participants Enrolled



42

Attended Work Readiness Training



26

Graduated

Subjects: Medical Administrative Assisting, Clinical Medical Assisting, Chair-Side Dental Assisting, Medical Billing and Coding, Phlebotomy, Nurse Aide, Nail Technician, Esthetician, Welding, Asphalt Roadway Technician, Class A Truck Driving, X-Factor Work Readiness and Soft Skills training.



"I'm finally in a **career** instead of working a bunch of dead end jobs trying to make ends meet!"

-Keri



Watch Full video here

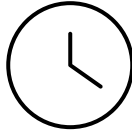
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

AIM's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program is a powerful anti-poverty tool, providing free tax preparation services ensuring that hard-working individuals receive the maximum benefits available without losing hundreds of dollars in paid-preparer fees. AIM's VITA Program hosts tax assistance locations at community and neighborhood centers, churches, and other convenient locations across Anderson County.



17

Volunteers



933

Volunteer Hours



1,001

Tax Returns Completed

\$1,067,500

Total Amount of Refunds

\$200,200

Total Amount of Tax Preparer Fees Saved

Pivotal Support Program

Pivotal Support assists individuals with an immediate need and connects them with the tools that can stabilize their future. If approved, the assistance plan may include limited financial support with the long-term goal of self-sufficiency. Individuals are encouraged to attend monthly financial classes and workshops.



322

Clients Assisted



475

Volunteer Hours



47

SNAP Applications Completed



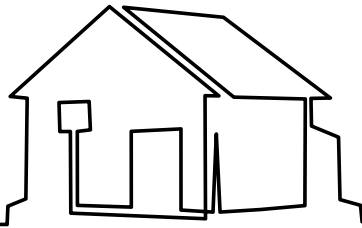
270

Classes Attended

\$118,186

Total Value of Assistance

Housing Rehabilitation



Community homeowners who are low-income earners may be eligible for assistance with needed household maintenance or adjustments. Eligible services include ramps and other necessary repairs that threaten the health and safety of these families and their ability to remain living in their home.



69

Completed Jobs



\$417,976.25

Total Value of Rehabilitation

Coalition for Home Repair received a Veterans Housing and Modification Pilot Program (VHRMP) grant award in support of the Operation Safe Homes Initiative. The organization is using the award to modify and rehabilitate the homes of low-income and disabled veterans nationwide by working with its member organizations, like AIM! Throughout 12 subrecipients of the grant in 6 states, **FIVE** VHRMP Projects have been completed.

FOUR of those were through AIM for Anderson Veterans.



Women and Children Succeeding



WACS empowers moms to reach their career goals by earning a degree. Each scholar is a full-time student who is gaining the necessary skills for their profession through local colleges and universities. WACS' holistic approach focuses on balancing academics, career planning, family and life, finances, health, and faith to reach full potential.



17

Scholars



32

Kids



3

Degrees Attained



Angela, Associate in Science,
(Piedmont Technical College)



Sheniqua, Associate in Science,
LPN (Tri-County Technical College)



Amy, Associate in Science, LPN
(Spartanburg Community College)

\$ 86,208.49

Total Value of Assistance



WACS awarded the 2nd annual Kristi King-Brock Legacy Scholarship in October 2024. Taylor is a student at Ultimate Medical Academy and plans to continue her studies after completing her Associate degree this spring.

\$1,000+ Donors

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\$10,000+ Donors

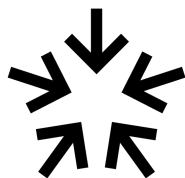
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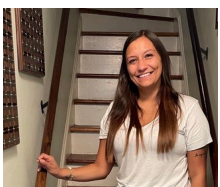


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