



COMMUNITAS  
— International —



IMPACT

— REPORT —

2023



Dear Kingdom Partner,

Communitas International exists to **start and shape communities of faith that love like Jesus in their neighborhoods**. In the face of political unrest in many parts of the world, war, severe weather events, earthquakes, and radical cultural changes, the opportunity to serve in love has never been greater.

Recognizing the growing need for life-transforming communities of faith globally, Communitas started an intensive effort 18 months ago to increase awareness of the organization and the unique approach we take to

help people discern where and how to serve in our mission. The efforts have proven to be extraordinarily fruitful! This past March, we hosted the largest staff on-boarding conference in the organization's history in Scotland, adding many new field staff. Further, our regular cohorts that introduce new potential staff to our mission, vision, and practices are filling up for the next year. Praise God!

Communitas churches and projects are actively transforming lives across Europe, North America, and Latin America, proclaiming salvation and demonstrating grace to those who desperately need it. We follow God's leading around the world and right in our own neighborhoods. There has never been a greater opportunity to send teams of people to love like Jesus in their neighborhoods to transform lives.

**This would not be possible without you. Your partnership with us is incredibly impactful and is truly making a difference to help make our world a better place, infused with the love of Christ!**

There are so many stories we could tell of life-changing encounters with Christ. The church is the very presence of Christ in any culture, and we believe in the unique calling God has placed on Communitas to start and shape life-giving expressions of Christ's church. With every prayer, gift, and story you share, you participate in Christ's Great Commission with us. We are so grateful to God for you.

Expectantly,

Geoff Rinehart  
President/CEO

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# Communitas Stories

## Lifting up Ukraine



GERMANY, UKRAINE — Communitas International is making a significant impact by helping faith communities engage with current events and spread the gospel. Missionaries William and Sheila Whittenberg in Berlin,

Germany, are deeply involved in this work, offering both physical and spiritual support. After meeting an 80-year-old Ukrainian man at the airport, Sheila began serving Ukrainian refugees at the main train station.

When Berlin requested churches to set up temporary shelters, the Whittenbergs' church teamed up with a local Lutheran church to assist 70 families with food, shelter, and other needs. Sheila continued supporting four families by helping with appointments, offering translation, and providing emotional support. While these families have since found their own apartments, the effects of trauma remain.

The Whittenbergs and local churches expanded their support to Ukrainians fleeing war, offering hospitality and integration into faith communities. William also connected with a church in Boryslav, Ukraine, which provides food, housing, and supplies to refugees and displaced individuals. Church networks from Europe and the United States continue distributing essential resources to those in need.

William regularly travels to Ukraine to deliver supplies, enduring a grueling day-long drive and facing potential danger. Despite the devastation of war, the global church's unity has empowered local churches in Ukraine to be the hands and feet of Christ, meeting the basic needs of vulnerable populations.



**William's non-Christian friends in Berlin are increasingly interested in Jesus through his stories of service in Ukraine. Both the church and unchurched are drawn to Christ by witnessing acts of love and service.**

While recognizing the limitations of their trips, William emphasizes the importance of being present and showing support. The church's presence and solidarity bring encouragement to Ukrainian churches, aligning with Paul's exhortation to early churches. **Please pray for the safety of our team and the people in Ukraine, as well as for the growth of God's kingdom.**

## A Fresh Aroma of Christ



ARUBA, CURACAO — "We have worked in Holland for decades. We have worked in Latin America for over a decade. But we've never planted churches in the Caribbean. Is God inviting us into a new place? It's full of

the same post-Christendom we see across Europe and the Americas."

Last year, Eric Curtiss, Communitas Chief Operating Officer, asked the question above. He joined a group of Communitas workers in the Dutch Antilles islands of Aruba and Curacao for six days to pray, hear from God, and meet with the locals to sense what God might be doing.

A scouting group led by Kevin Johnson, our Chief Field Officer, deeply enjoyed getting to know the people and culture, as well as the "paradise" of the islands. They also assessed the spiritual tone of the land. They returned convinced there was an enormous need for grace-based, Jesus-centered churches that would reach out as Christ's hands and feet to the lost and lonely. Local Christians expressed the need to BE the Body of Christ in a fresh way on their islands.

After meeting with many people from existing churches and those seeking a new expression of faith community, it became evident that a new, fresh aroma of Christ was desperately needed. People longed for faith communities characterized by grace rather than legalism, with fewer power structures and more emphasis on people and grace.

On the islands of Aruba and Curacao, most people identify as nominal Catholics, with few having a personal faith in Jesus. This is very similar to many places where Communitas is currently working in Europe and Latin America, so we are aware of the needs and challenges of ministering in such cultures. Other religions are infiltrating the land as well, slowly but surely. **But many people are asking for less religion. They are looking for a lushness of spirituality that would fill the landscape, like the islands themselves... and they are very open to a vibrant encounter with Jesus!**

As Communitas plants Christian communities to reach our modern world, pray with us that lives would be changed, cultures would be impacted, and transformation would occur for God's glory alone, that people may experience and enter a true Paradise, a joy-filled life with Christ.

# 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

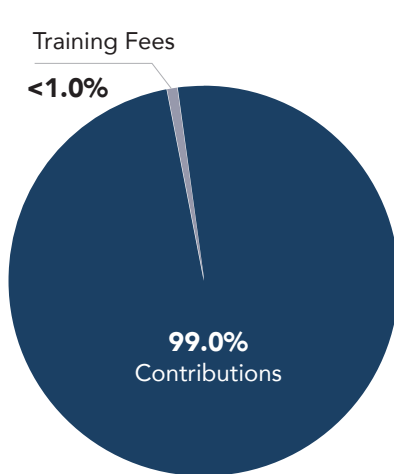
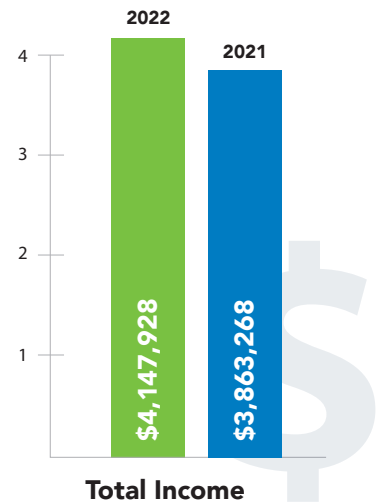


Statement Of Activities: U.S. Operations  
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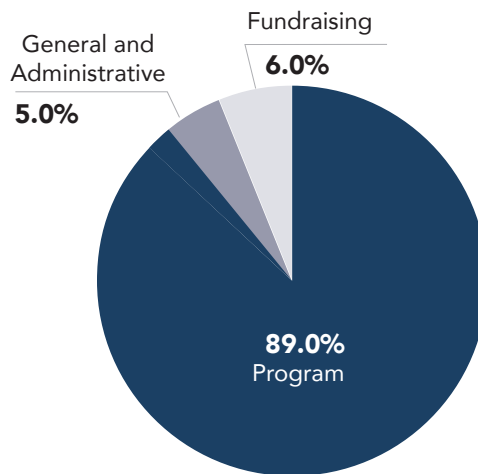
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	2022 (Audited)	2021 (Audited)
<b>INCOME</b>		
Contributions	\$4,178,686	\$3,778,286
Training Fees	\$8,629	\$8,633
Interest and other income	(\$39,387)	\$76,349
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$4,147,928</b>	<b>\$3,863,268</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>		
Program Expenses	\$3,819,582	\$3,020,758
<b>Supporting Activities</b>		
General and Administrative	\$237,035	\$242,009
Fundraising	\$249,297	\$220,061
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$4,305,914</b>	<b>\$3,482,828</b>
<b>Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets</b>	<b>(\$157,986)</b>	<b>\$380,440</b>
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>\$1,894,130</b>	<b>\$1,513,690</b>
<b>Net Assets, End of Year</b>	<b>\$1,736,144</b>	<b>\$1,894,130</b>

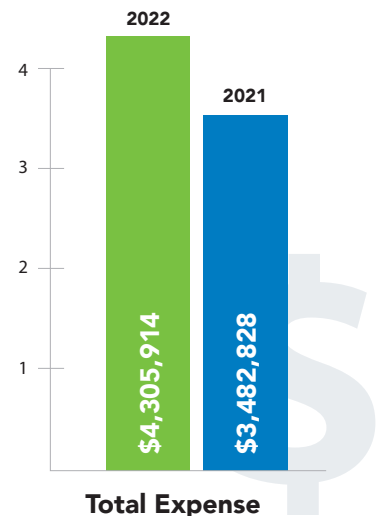
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2022 Income



2022 Expense



Total Expense

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