







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 and a rapidly changing world, the opportunity to serve in love has never been greater.

In Kosovo, Communitas staff member Jay Benafante pioneered the first Serve the City day to recruit local residents to meet the tangible needs of the community. Jay is now following up with those volunteers to develop discipling relationships and modeling how every person has

a gift to give and a need to receive from others.

In Edinburgh, we partnered with the Scottish Network of Churches to create Launch Scotland, a year-long training program for emerging church leaders and church planters that equips them to create contextualized expressions of church that will resonate with the needs and longings of post Christians in the UK and beyond.

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. Also, we're seeing hundreds of local pastors and church leaders in Russia equipped through our training tool, The Dynamic Adventure. 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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# Stories Stories

### Serving the Least of These



KOSOVO - In a small town in northern Kosovo, Jay Benfante rallied forty individuals from diverse backgrounds to transform physical spaces for those in need. Through persistence and

faith, he responded to God's prompting with an initiative to gather volunteers for a weekend of service with Serve the City Kosovo.

With the goal of fostering love and dignity in challenging environments, they tackled five impactful projects by collaborating with local nonprofits dedicated to marginalized communities. Highlights included nurturing a community garden and revitalizing a learning center for Roma kids, children of a gypsy-type of people group who are nomadic and looked down upon in European countries.

In our ongoing mission to embody Christ's love through tangible actions, Communitas joins hands with partners worldwide, striving to meet the holistic needs of communities. Inspired by Jesus' example of compassion for body, mind, and spirit, we aim to reveal Him as the ultimate Redeemer in every aspect of life.

God's transformative work is evident. Please join us in prayer for Frank, a local leader in Kosovo, overseeing two vital organizations. One, a day center for people with disabilities and the other an education center for Roma children who are not offered equal educational opportunities and live in abject poverty. Pray for his partnership with Jay, and their efforts to mobilize volunteers and resources, bringing hope and beauty to these underserved spaces.

Jay reflects, "I witness Jesus' handprints in Frank's tireless dedication. Please pray for our growing friendship, that it may open doors for meaningful conversations about faith as we collaborate further."

As we witness God's kingdom unfold, we are reminded of our call to emulate Micah 6:8, knowing we are called "to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God." **Together, as the body of Christ, let us extend care to all, particularly to the marginalized and impoverished.** 

Your support enables us to continue these vital missions, uniting hearts and hands across borders to proclaim and demonstrate the Gospel. Thank you for partnering with us in this journey of faith and compassion. Together, we are making a difference, one community at a time.

## Launch Scotland



SCOTLAND - This past year, we announced Launch, a collaboration of Communitas and the Scottish Network of Churches. This pioneering initiative, designed for church leaders and planters,

offers a dynamic 10-month residency in Scotland that equips participants to flourish in a post-Christian context. A pilot program for a cohort of Scotland-based participants began this past January, with a new one set for 2025.

Launch isn't just a program; it's a pathway to transformation. Participants will engage in local ministry, attend weekly meetings for support and learning, and receive coaching and spiritual direction. Multi-day retreats will focus on The Dynamic Adventure and Soul Care; single-site visits will provide immersive experiences in local missional projects.

Communitas is working with Launch to add a cohort for international participants in the next year or two. These participants would live in Scotland for 10 months, engaging in a full-time residency with placement in an existing church or church plant, with housing provided by the Scottish Network of Churches. Stay tuned for more news soon!

Embedded in local ministries across Scotland, Launch ensures hands-on learning and impactful engagement. While grounded in a local context, participants gather regularly for reflection, worship, and learning—both online and in person.

Launch offers the opportunity to **be**, through spiritual formation and self-care; to **think**, by gaining insights in ministry philosophy, cultural contextualization, and leadership; to **go**, with strategies that engage the community with the gospel; to **serve**, by embracing a collaborative, servant-hearted approach; and to **lead**, guiding church plants and missional teams toward deeper impact.

At Launch, we uphold values that define our approach:

- Christ-focused: Prioritizing His kingdom.
- Mission-minded: Extending the invitation to follow Jesus.
- Inclusive: Welcoming all backgrounds.
- Safe: Creating a space for exploration and growth.
- Practical: Applying training to real-life ministry.
- Relational: Nurturing love and hospitality.
- Intentional: Equipping leaders to serve with humility.

Join us in prayer as we embark on this journey of faith and leadership, shaping communities and spreading the gospel in a changing world. Visit www.launchscotland.org for more information. **Together, let's make a lasting impact for the kingdom!** 

# 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT

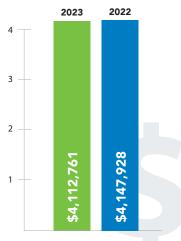


Statement Of Activities: U.S. Operations

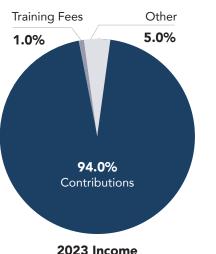
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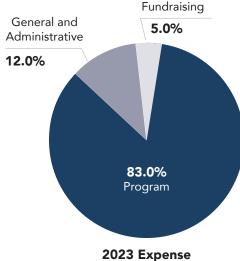
	2023 (Audited)	2022 (Audited)
INCOME		
Contributions	\$3,879,929	\$4,178,686
Training Fees	\$18,169	\$8,629
Interest and other income	\$214,663	(\$39,387)
Total Income	\$4,112,761	\$4,147,928
EXPENSE		
Program Expenses	\$3,534,074	\$3,819,582
Supporting Activities		
General and Administrative	\$504,595	\$237,035
Fundraising	\$217,679	\$249,297
Total Expense	\$4,256,348	\$4,305,914
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets	(\$143,587)	(\$157,986)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$1,736,144	\$1,894,130
Net Assets, End of Year	\$1,592,557	\$1,736,144

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**Total Income** 





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