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*51 Years of Serving Washington, D.C.*

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# YEAR in Review *Letter*

## Dear Friends and Supporters,

This past year reminded us that even in difficult times, progress is still possible—and so is care for one another. It would be easy to frame 2025 as a setback for social justice—civil liberties were threatened, healthcare access was cut, and federal policies created new barriers to addressing food insecurity. And yet, our community continued to show up.

We were inspired by the determination of the Bread for the City team, our partners and funders, and most of all, our community members—who, despite living in one of the most expensive cities in this country, persevere through mounting challenges. After more than 50 years of witnessing the real-life consequences of federal policy shifts, we remain confident that our shared humanity will prevail. The fight for justice evolves, but it does not disappear.

In moments of adversity, we are often asked whether our commitment to systemic change will take a back seat to direct service. It will not. Advancing racial justice and providing essential services are inseparable. To deliver meaningful care, our teams must understand—and challenge—the racial and economic systems that shape our clients' lives.

Following significant funding challenges in 2024, our rebound in 2025 reflects the persistence and skill of our staff and the continued commitment of our funders. Staff-led advocacy—including efforts to protect the D.C. Healthcare Alliance program and sustain public funding for Access to Justice legal services—was instrumental. Without fully resourcing both service delivery and policy advocacy, cycles of poverty remain intact.

As we move through 2026—marking George's 30th year as CEO of Bread for the City and Jon's final year as board president—we are filled with gratitude to work alongside committed partners. The goal before us remains clear: an empowered and equitable community where basic needs and rights are met, families thrive, and poverty is no longer a defining feature of life in Washington, D.C.

In the year ahead, we will strengthen our comprehensive care plan to better serve community members amid ongoing threats to SNAP and Medicaid, while continuing predevelopment planning for our 1640 Marion Barry Ave SE property. This next phase centers on community engagement, shaping a multipurpose hub for organizing, entrepreneurship, and expanded services.

Current and future obstacles will not deter us. Our strategic vision remains ambitious, collaborative, and actionable—and powered by you. Ending systemic racism and reducing poverty in Washington, D.C. requires shared responsibility—from businesses, philanthropy, government, and community members alike.

Thank you to the many partners, donors, volunteers, and board members who stand with us. Together, we remain committed to meeting challenges head-on and advancing a more equitable future.

We move forward with gratitude—and with great determination.

## IN SERVICE,



### George Jones

Chief Executive Officer  
Bread for the City



### Jonathan Fee

Board President  
Bread for the City

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# Our Mission

Bread for the City's mission is to support Washington, D.C. residents living with low incomes by empowering them to shape the future of their own communities. Through comprehensive care and resources—including food and clothing, medical care, and legal and social services—we work to address the root causes of poverty while treating every client with dignity, respect, and justice.

## THE BREAD FOR THE CITY DIFFERENCE



### 1. WRAPAROUND SERVICES

At Bread for the City, we bring many essential services together in one place. Our care management team works closely with clients to help coordinate care across our programs. This whole-person approach connects clients to the care and support they need, where they need it, all in one place. We try to simplify the process offering a respectful and dignified experience.



### 2. CLIENT-CENTERED APPROACH

We believe those we serve know best how to shape their own lives. We listen closely to our clients' perspectives and let their insights guide how we grow and improve our services. Staying connected matters to us—that's why clients make up 65% of our Board of Directors and play a key role through our Client Advisory Council, helping inform planning and improvements.





### 3. ADVOCACY, EQUITY & JUSTICE

Bread for the City is committed to social justice and equity; not only do we provide direct services, but we're actively working to address systemic issues at the root of poverty. The Terrance Moore Organizing Institute equips and empowers community leaders with the organizing skills to make the changes they seek in their communities. This also allows us to multiply our efforts across communities and networks.



### 4. LANGUAGE INCLUSION

We know that language can be a barrier to care, so we're committed to making our services accessible to everyone. We provide information in four core languages and continue expanding language support across our organization, so no one is held back from the care and services they need.



### 5. ALTERNATIVE HEALTH & WELLNESS SERVICES

We have expanded access to care through services like acupuncture and the Friendship Bench program—addressing the full spectrum of well-being. By integrating these holistic approaches, we provide meaningful pathways to healing that reduce stress, alleviate pain, and foster connection, ensuring our neighbors have access to compassionate, whole-person care.



### 6. COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

For more than 50 years, we've built strong relationships and community partnerships that keep us closely connected to the people we serve. Local businesses and organizations such as Black Swan Academy, Kuumba, and Washington Lawyers Committee help support our mission, and together we're building lasting connections and a legacy that extends far beyond our walls.



# The Stories



# — BEHIND OUR SERVICES



# Advocacy



## HEALTH EQUITY IN ACTION

### Fighting for Fair Care in a Broken System

There are real people behind every policy change.

In 2025, shifts in federal and D.C. Medicaid policy affected roughly **25,000–30,000 residents of Washington, D.C. living on low incomes**. For many, these were not abstract changes in eligibility rules or paperwork—they were disruptions that threatened access to lifesaving care.

Social safety nets like Medicaid are not political pawns. They are critical, lifesaving programs for people who have long faced systemic discrimination and the daily struggles of poverty.

Medicaid connects people to primary care, chronic disease management, maternal health services, and mental health support. Without it, health disparities deepen, emergency room visits increase, and medical debt piles up—creating a heavier burden not just for individuals and families, but for our entire city's healthcare system.

At Bread for the City, we see this reality every day.

When benefits fall through, people don't stop getting sick—they delay care until a manageable condition turns into an emergency. They miss work, lose income, and struggle to stay afloat. Contagious illnesses spread more easily. Clinics and hospitals—already stretched thin—absorb enormous costs. In short, making healthcare inaccessible for our most vulnerable neighbors creates a public health crisis for everyone.

That's where we step in.

Take **Michael Blue**, a Bread board member, who knows firsthand how fragile access to care can be. After missing his Medicaid renewal deadline without realizing it, Michael was shocked to receive a medical bill from George Washington University Hospital's Urology Department. What could have spiraled into overwhelming debt was quickly resolved: Bread for the City helped him prepare and submit his renewal within the 90-day grace period, ensuring his coverage was reinstated.

For **Theresa Dunn**, the stakes were even higher. Theresa, who is disabled and living with cancer, should have automatically qualified for Medicaid through SSI. Yet, due to a billing error, she was turned away from chemotherapy—not once, but twice—at a local hospital. Despite her repeated attempts, the hospital initially refused to issue a bill that would allow retroactive coverage.

Bread for the City stepped in, navigating complex systems and advocating persistently with the **D.C. Healthcare Ombudsman**, the **Social Security Administration**, and the hospital itself. Because of this dedicated advocacy, Theresa was finally able to receive her life-saving cancer treatments.

These stories are not exceptions—they are symptoms of a system that too often fails the people who need it most.

At Bread for the City, we help our neighbors navigate broken systems, fight wrongful denials, meet deadlines they were never clearly told about, and advocate fiercely when bureaucracy becomes a barrier to care. We do this because we believe—deeply and unequivocally—that **healthcare is a human right, not a privilege**.

When public benefits are cut or complicated, we don't look away. We show up. We stand with our neighbors. And every day, we work to make sure no one is left without care when they need it most.



# Food & Clothing



2,773,350

*meals distributed*  
*(based on groceries provided)*



2,463

*clothing room visits*



## BUILDING FOOD ACCESS THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS:

### Food Partnerships

Food partnerships are a vital part of our commitment to ensuring consistent access to fresh, nutritious food while also supporting a more equitable local food system.

In January 2025, we began purchasing locally grown salads from **Our Farm DC** for distribution through our Southeast Pantry. These salads arrive every Wednesday afternoon and are typically gone by Thursday morning—an enthusiastic response that speaks to both their quality and the community's desire for fresh produce. Offerings include simple lettuce mixes as well as complete salads with dried cranberries, cheese, and dressing. All of the lettuce is grown locally, and the salads are packaged by returning citizens, reinforcing our commitment to supporting local agriculture and meaningful employment opportunities.

Beyond the regular pantry distributions, Bread for the City participates in initiatives like **Grocery Plus**, which provides additional, larger boxes of food—especially for seniors or those with mobility challenges—on top of their monthly pantry visit. This kind of expanded access ensures more equitable food distribution and supports neighbors who need extra help getting nutritious food.



## Year-Round Free Farmers Markets & Local Produce Access

In addition to these partnerships, our free farmers market continues to play a critical role in expanding access to fresh food for our neighbors. We proudly partner with local Black farmers to bring high-quality produce directly to our community at no cost. While farmers markets have been part of our programming for many years.

In July 2024, we further expanded this effort by increasing distributions from two per month—one at each center—to four to five per month, allowing us to offer weekly markets that alternate between locations.

Together, these initiatives strengthen local food systems, support Black-owned farms, and ensure that our neighbors have reliable access to fresh, healthy food.

## Clothing Room: Warmth, Dignity & Seasonal Support

While food often takes the spotlight, Bread for the City's clothing rooms also serve as quiet but essential lifelines for neighbors in need. Clothing distributions at the Southeast center offers free seasonal apparel, shoes, coats, and basic toiletry items to hundreds of individuals and families every month. These items help people feel confident, prepared for interviews and work opportunities, and comfortable in daily life.



# Legal

2,042

*information & referrals provided*

1,396

*legal services*

## JUSTICE IN ACTION

It often starts with a letter—an eviction notice taped to the door, a benefits denial in the mail, or a policy change announced without warning.

For the people we serve, these moments can change everything.

Our legal advocacy team stands alongside our neighbors when systems feel out of reach—working not only to resolve immediate legal matters, but to ensure those systems work better for everyone.

## PUBLIC BENEFITS

Bread for the City's legal staff helped DC residents obtain and maintain critical public benefits, including TANF (cash assistance), SNAP (food assistance), and Medicaid. By securing these benefits, our legal team helped District residents avoid having to use rent money to pay for food and medical expenses that should be covered by federal and local assistance programs.

**Our legal clinic's public benefits team secured \$1,788,788.67 in benefits for District neighbors in need, including projected ongoing benefits over a 12-month period.** This total does not capture the life-changing impact of helping residents secure and maintain public health insurance.

## HOUSING STABILITY

When housing policies shift, families feel it first.

Bread for the City played a critical role in protecting tenants' rights across Washington, D.C., including pushing back against harmful provisions in the RENTAL Act. Through litigation, coalition building, and persistent advocacy, our team helped to preserve key protections for domestic violence survivors and other vulnerable residents across the District.

With legal support, tenants are far more likely to remain housed and reach stable outcomes.

This helps to ensure more families can stay in the communities they call home.



## DEFENDING HEALTH CARE ACCESS

Access to health care should not depend on navigating a broken system.

When proposed cuts threatened Medicaid and other public health programs, Bread for the City acted—advocating alongside partners to protect coverage for residents living on low-income. Our attorneys brought client experiences directly to policymakers, testifying before the D.C. Council to highlight failures in the D.C. Access system and pushed for greater accountability and reform.

At the same time, sweeping changes to the D.C. Healthcare Alliance program put thousands at risk of losing coverage. For many, the Alliance program served as a vital safety net—providing coverage for a variety of groups, including undocumented immigrants, low-income adults without dependent children, and workers who earned too little to afford private insurance but did not qualify for Medicaid.

In response, our team mobilized quickly—conducted proactive outreach, assisted with applications and re-certifications, and helped vulnerable residents maintain access to essential care before critical deadlines closed.

## STANDING WITH IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES

For immigrant communities, policy decisions shape more than access—they shape safety, trust, and belonging.

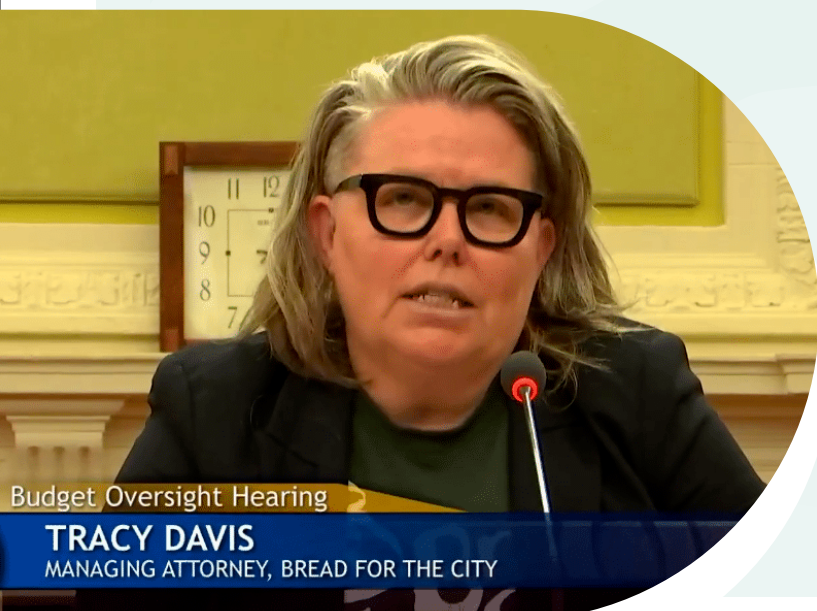
Our legal team played a key role in defending D.C.'s sanctuary protections, pushing back against efforts that would limit access to services and erode community trust.

At the same time, our team expanded direct support through innovative, community-centered approaches. In partnership with the Healthy D.C. Coalition, we hosted legal and benefits clinics in trusted spaces like churches—meeting residents where they are and providing walk-in support for insurance enrollment and re-certification.

Alongside this work, our legal team reached a powerful milestone: winning our first asylum case to go to trial.

This landmark victory represents more than a single case—it reflects the growing strength of our immigration advocacy and our commitment to ensuring those seeking safety have a meaningful chance to be heard, and to remain.

Bread for the City's legal advocacy extends far beyond any one client or case. This work reflects a series of meaningful legal and policy wins. Each action contributes to a larger goal—building systems that are more just, more accessible, and more responsive to the needs of our community.



Budget Oversight Hearing

**TRACY DAVIS**

MANAGING ATTORNEY, BREAD FOR THE CITY

# Medical

**2,829**

*medical patients*

For many patients, care doesn't begin and end with a single visit—it's an ongoing journey. At Bread for the City, we're making sure that journey is supported every step of the way. Over the past year, we've seen meaningful progress in how patients stay connected to care—from follow-up STI re-testing rates that exceeded targets, to more consistent lung cancer risk screening, to expanded outreach that brings patients back in when they need it most.

**13,025**

*medical appointments*

These results tell a larger story: one where patients are not falling through the cracks. Instead, they're receiving timely follow-up, accessing behavioral health support alongside their medical care, and engaging with preventive services that help them stay healthier over time. While performance may vary quarter to quarter, the direction is clear—we are building a more responsive, coordinated system of care that meets people where they are and supports the whole person, helping them to stay healthier over time.

## Care That Delivers

**86%**

*(goal: 70%)*

*returned for follow-up STI testing*

**621 patients**

*(goal: 250)*

*reached through text outreach*

**41 patients**

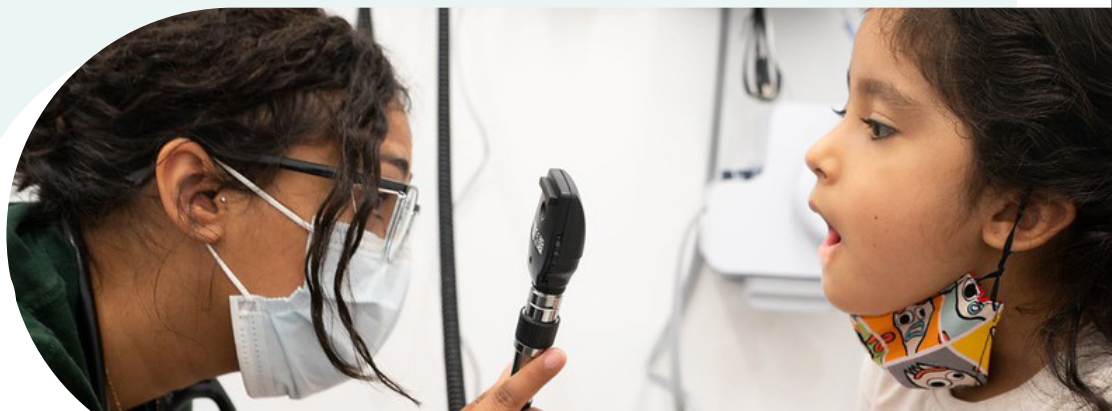
*(goal: 30)*

*connected to behavioral health care*

**34%**

*(goal: 30%)*

*screened for lung cancer risk*



# “It’s like a family.”



## Ms. Wilma

Bread for the City Patient

When Wilma Ellis first walked through the doors of Bread for the City, she wasn’t entirely sure what to expect. A friend had mentioned it years earlier—somewhere you could get food, maybe see a doctor. She decided to give it a try, and she never looked back.

For nearly a decade, Wilma has relied on Bread for the City for care that goes far beyond a doctor’s visit. Living with a rare condition—Moyamoya disease, which affects blood flow to the brain—she has survived multiple strokes and continues to carefully manage her health with the support of specialists and ongoing care.

“Each time, God healed me. I’m just grateful to still be here,” she shared.

Bread for the City has become a steady, trusted partner in that journey—helping coordinate referrals, manage routine care, and ensure she has access to the services she needs to stay healthy.

But for Wilma, it’s not just about access—it’s about

how she’s treated.

“If I call today, I can see a doctor tomorrow. Everybody’s friendly. They check on you, make sure you’re alright.”

Over time, she’s used a range of services—from medical and dental care to vision and behavioral health support. When life became overwhelming, she found someone to talk to. When she needed dental work, she got it quickly and with care. When she needed help navigating her health, providers listened.

“They don’t judge you. They don’t talk about you. They treat you like a human being.”

That sense of dignity and respect has made all the difference.

With a fixed income and part-time work, the cost of healthcare can be overwhelming. Wilma remembers paying hundreds of dollars for glasses before finding Bread for the City. Now, she’s able to access the care she needs without that financial burden—freeing her to focus on her health and stability.

“It’s a blessing,” she said.

Beyond medical care, Wilma has also taken advantage of Bread for the City’s broader community offerings—classes, wellness programs, and even self-defense workshops. These services, she says, make the experience feel whole.

“They have everything...it’s like a family for real.”

Today, Wilma continues to prioritize her health, working closely with providers who listen, respond, and respect her voice in her care.

“You have a voice,” she said. “They understand you. They’re patient.”

**And for Wilma, that’s what keeps her coming back—not just the services, but the feeling that she’s seen, heard, and supported every step of the way.**

# Social Services

5,807

*case management services*

## CASHRX PILOT PROGRAM EMPOWERS CLIENTS WITH ECONOMIC CHOICE AND FREEDOM

**Through unconditional cash support, Bread for the City helps participants improve overall health and well-being.**

When Ms. Boyd first came to CashRx, she was doing what so many people do to survive—working overtime, juggling rent, bills, and food, and hoping her health could wait. Living with diabetes, she knew what her body needed: medication and a carefully managed diet. But those were often the first things she had to cut when money ran short. After years of struggling to control her blood sugar while stretched too thin, Ms. Boyd had grown used to making impossible choices between her health and her basic needs. Today, because of CashRx, she is no longer diabetic.

CashRx is Bread for the City's response to a truth that research has made clear for years: **chronic illness cannot be treated without addressing the social and economic conditions that shape people's lives.** Funded by the Greater Washington Community Foundation's Health Equity Fund, and with generous support from the Diane & Norman Bernstein Foundation and the Hartfield Foundation, CashRx provides unconditional, no-strings-attached monthly cash payments to Bread medical patients living with chronic health conditions. Working closely with each participant and Bread's benefits attorneys, the Economic Security Team determines equity-based payment amounts tailored to individual needs.

\$139,800

*distributed via CashRx program*

Participants are also connected to wraparound support through Bread's medical, legal, food, and advocacy programs—because health doesn't exist in isolation.

The results speak for themselves. At their 12-month check-in, every CashRx participant reported significantly improved mental health. Two participants managing diabetes saw such dramatic improvements in their A1C levels that both are no longer diabetic. Across the program, participants reported greater food security, less housing-related stress, and a renewed ability to handle unexpected expenses. **In short, economic security became healthcare.**

For Ms. Boyd, the changes were immediate and deeply personal. The pescatarian diet that helped her manage her diabetes became affordable again. Medications she had gone without were no longer out of reach. But CashRx didn't just stabilize her health—it gave her back time. Instead of working every possible hour, Ms. Boyd enrolled in Bread's Advocacy Institute, graduated, and became a powerful voice for her community. She has spoken on guaranteed income panels and organized against the elimination of D.C.'s Circulator buses. Today, much of her CashRx support helps her care for her mother, who lives with lupus. **The program gave Ms. Boyd something she hadn't had in years: real choices.**

CashRx is intentionally small, currently serving just 14 participants. That scale allows us to center individual experiences while contributing to a broader shift in how we talk about economic support and social safety net programs. By pairing strong health outcome data with the lived stories of participants like Ms. Boyd, CashRx challenges harmful stereotypes about people living on low incomes.

These stories reinforce what research consistently shows: when people are trusted with resources and barriers are removed, they invest in their health, their families, and their communities. **Sometimes, the most powerful prescription isn't a pill—it's having enough to eat well, rest, and plan for a future beyond tomorrow.**



## Community Empowered

Our community programs provide free, drop-in classes and workshops designed to foster health, connection, and personal growth. From art and movement to nutrition, financial wellness, and skill-building, these sessions create welcoming spaces for individuals to learn, connect, and thrive. By reducing isolation and strengthening community ties, the program supports both individual well-being and collective resilience—reflecting our commitment to meeting people where they are with dignity and respect.

## Workforce Development

Our Workforce Development Café provides a welcoming environment where community members can build job skills, grow confidence, and take steps toward sustainable employment. Designed as an employment resource center, the Café offers both practical support and a strong sense of community for individuals navigating unemployment or career transitions. In its first year, participants completed 381 courses and earned 60 certifications. For many, the Workforce Development Café has become an essential resource—supporting not only job readiness, but long-term stability, growth, and opportunity.



## Small Favors Program

The Small Favors Program provides one-time financial assistance to Bread for the City clients facing urgent barriers to stability—from securing identification documents to covering emergency housing-related costs. As requests for assistance continue to rise, the program offers timely support that helps individuals move forward during critical moments. Funded entirely through private donations, Small Favors was created in response to a simple but powerful realization: many people do not lack financial knowledge—they lack financial resources.



# A Year of Progress

## BUILDING A WORKPLACE ROOTED IN DIGNITY AND CARE

### Practicing our values - inside and out.

This year, Bread for the City continued to strengthen its internal practices to better support the people who make our mission possible. From expanding access to sabbaticals and paid leave, to increasing flexibility around personal time and self-expression, these changes reflect our commitment to equity, care, and retention—not just for our neighbors, but for our staff as well.

By investing in our team in these ways, we are helping to reduce burnout, increase and retain experienced staff, and build a stronger, more sustainable organization—ensuring that the people who care for our neighbors are also cared for and can continue doing this important work for years to come.



### More Personal Time for Staff Well-Being

We expanded personal time off, granting staff an additional 56 hours they can use however they need—whether for rest, recovery, or simply taking care of life. We increased the annual leave accrual limit to two years, ensuring newer staff can fully access leave and cash-out benefits as they build their time at Bread.



### Paid Family Leave: Full Pay, Full Support

Bread for the City is committed to fully supporting staff during life's most vulnerable moments. When staff take D.C. Paid Family Leave, Bread now makes up the difference so they can receive their full pay. This change ensures that no one has to choose between caring for their family and maintaining financial stability.



### Honoring Service Through Sabbaticals

We took a close look at our sabbatical policy and asked a simple question: Who is actually able to benefit from it? By reducing the eligibility requirement from 14 years to 10 years, we made sabbaticals more accessible, more equitable, and more reflective of today's workforce. We also introduced a cash-out option, recognizing that life and careers don't always follow a straight path. Together, these changes ensure that long service at Bread for the City is truly honored—whether that means time to rest and recharge or financial flexibility during a transition.



## Dress Code that Honors Identity and Dignity

Bread for the City has moved away from a formal dress code and adopted a good-faith approach, trusting staff to wear clothing that keeps them safe, comfortable, and able to express their gender identity authentically. This shift reflects our commitment to dignity, inclusion, and respect—and helps foster a workplace where people can show up as their full selves.

# Student Volunteers

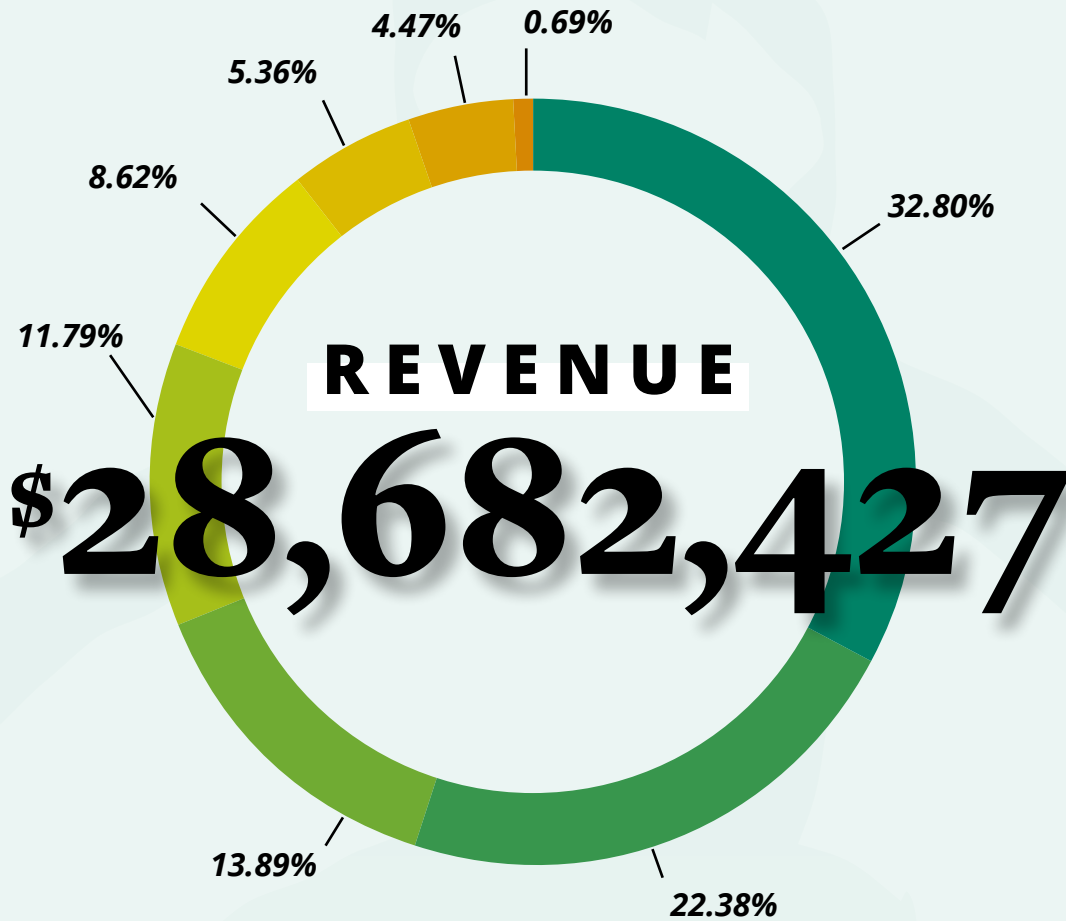
## *Making a Difference*

### GIDEON GREENBERGER

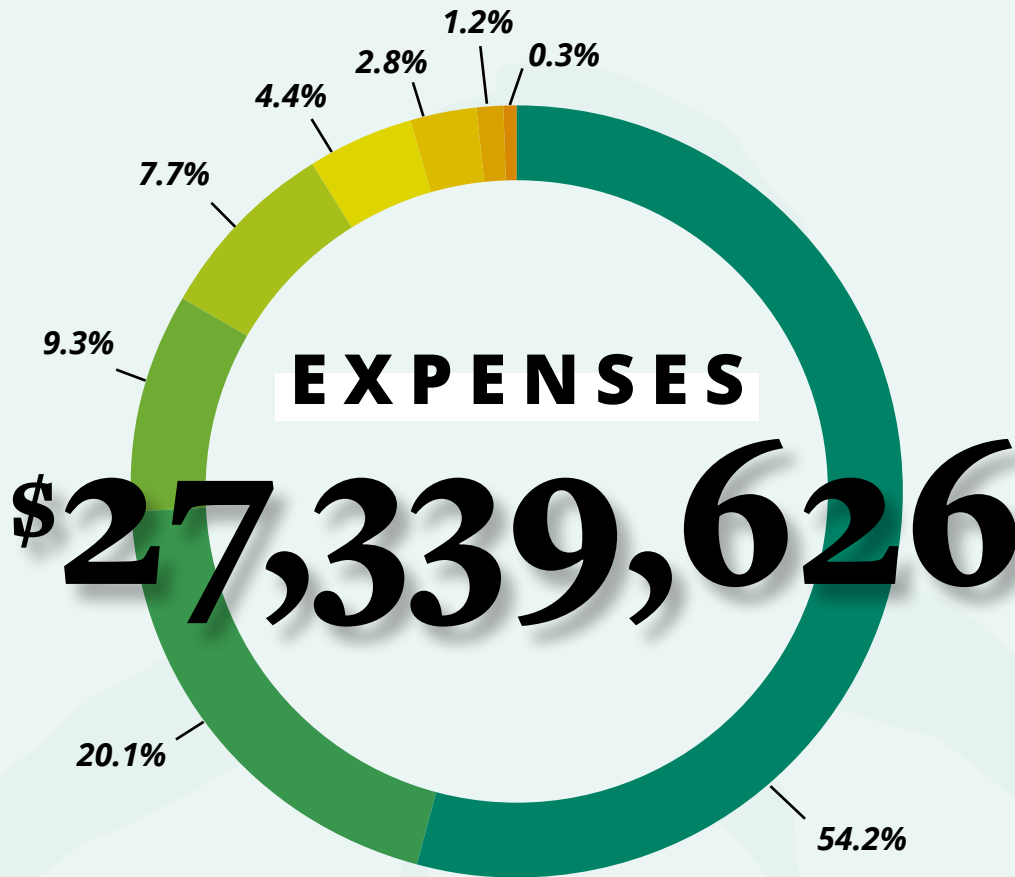
Gideon, a junior at the Lab School of Washington, has already dedicated more than 100 hours volunteering with Bread for the City across both our Southeast and Northwest centers. Inspired by his older brother and a desire to give back, he has supported everything from the food pantry to clothing drives—helping ensure neighbors have access to essential resources. Along the way, he gained new skills and learned to work alongside people from all backgrounds, but what stayed with him most was the sense of connection. Gideon found the experience deeply rewarding. His time at Bread for the City has strengthened his compassion and inspired him to continue giving back in college and beyond.



# Financial *Position*



● Foundations	\$9,409,034	<b>32.80%</b>
● Individuals	\$6,419,628	<b>22.38%</b>
● Local Government	\$3,984,138	<b>13.89%</b>
● Interest Cash Mgmt and Other Income	\$3,380,705	<b>11.79%</b>
● Medical Reimbursements	\$2,471,894	<b>8.62%</b>
● Federal Government	\$1,537,478	<b>5.36%</b>
● Corporations	\$1,282,148	<b>4.47%</b>
● Religious & Other Organizations	\$197,402	<b>0.69%</b>



<span style="color: #008080;">●</span> <b>Personnel &amp; Benefits</b>	\$14,819,234	<b>54.2%</b>
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<span style="color: #F0E68C;">●</span> <b>Other</b> ( <i>Insurance, bank &amp; loan fees, bad debt, etc.</i> )	\$1,205,751	<b>4.4%</b>
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<span style="color: #FFA500;">●</span> <b>Medical</b>	\$318,299	<b>1.2%</b>
<span style="color: #FF8C00;">●</span> <b>Fundraising</b>	\$79,990	<b>0.3%</b>

# Bread's *Signature Events*

— DRIVING IMPACT—FROM GALA NIGHTS TO HOLIDAY TABLES

## Together We Rise Gala



### *51 Years of Impact*

On May 10, 2025, more than 300 supporters, community members, and changemakers gathered at Bread for the City's annual gala, Together We Rise—a night of celebration, connection, and renewed commitment to justice and care in Washington, D.C. The event was filled with warmth and purpose: guests contributed to a community quilt, enjoyed live music, raffles, and inspiring performances. We heard powerful testimonials from client speakers about the meaningful impact of Bread's holistic services.

Hosted by Britt Waters and featuring an evocative poem by Gayle Danley, the evening also included moving remarks from keynote speaker, former U.S. Attorney General Eric H. Holder, Jr., who urged attendees to confront injustice and uphold truth. Through the energy of the crowd and generous giving—supported by matching gifts—the gala raised an astounding \$1,585,648 to fuel Bread for the City's wraparound services, including food, healthcare, legal support, and more.

The celebration demonstrated our deep community connections and shared belief that when we rise together, we create lasting impact.

# Holiday Helpings 2024

## *Sharing Meals and Community*

Bread for the City's *Holiday Helpings* program brought the spirit of generosity, care, and togetherness to thousands of Washington, D.C. families. In its 32nd year, the campaign provided complete holiday meals to **16,204 families across the city**, including whole turkeys, culturally diverse side dishes, and fresh produce sourced from local Black farmers—ensuring that neighbors could celebrate the season with dignity and choice.

The success of the campaign was made possible by a broad community effort. A generous lead gift from Amazon helped launch the season, while more than **538 dedicated volunteers** gave us 1,900 hours to support weekly distribution alongside our Bread staff.



New offerings this year included East Asian and Latine ingredient options, bulk deliveries to senior residential communities, and 400 DoorDash deliveries to clients unable to pick up in person. In addition to raising **\$1.25 million**, individual and team fundraising efforts raised \$168,567, which helped put thousands of holiday meals on tables across D.C.

The campaign captured the true essence of community collaboration: donors, volunteers, partners, and staff all played vital roles in ensuring that families could share meaningful holiday moments at home.

# Corporate Partnership

## SPOTLIGHT



### MOTIVATION & CONNECTION

#### HOW DOES OUR WORK ALIGN WITH YOUR COMPANY'S VALUES OR PRIORITIES?

While SEIA is focused on advancing clean energy, our values extend beyond the solar and storage industry. Our staff care deeply about justice, dignity, and making sure communities have the opportunity to thrive. We appreciate Bread for the City's efforts to help families meet their daily needs while also working to address the long-term, systemic barriers creating instability in Washington, D.C.. This thoughtful and balanced approach addresses both immediate and underlying issues and aligns with how SEIA approaches its work.

SEIA's support for Bread for the City has been one way we put our values into practice locally with the majority of our staff living and working in the D.C. metro area. These efforts served as an important reminder that strong communities are the foundation for any long-term progress, including the energy transition we are working toward.

### PARTNERSHIP & VALUE

#### WHAT DOES A SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR ORGANIZATION LOOK LIKE TO YOU?

To us, a successful partnership means showing up consistently and in ways that are accessible to our whole team. Over the past two years, SEIA has held multiple days of service for our staff to volunteer at Bread for the City's food pantry. During the government shutdown in fall 2025, we also hosted a food drive and an online fundraising effort that allowed staff in D.C. and across the country to participate, resulting in more than \$1,725 in monetary donations along with dozens of bags of food. We have also supported the organization by sponsoring and attending Bread's annual gala. Our staff feel personally connected to the impact of their involvement with Bread for the City.



## EMPLOYEE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

### DOES SUPPORTING OUR ORGANIZATION HELP YOUR COMPANY CONNECT WITH THE COMMUNITY IN MEANINGFUL WAYS?

SEIA is headquartered in Washington, D.C. and our partnership with Bread for the City has helped keep us closely connected to our city and the neighborhoods where we live and work. Our work together grounded us in the day-to-day realities facing our neighbors and reminded us that we're all capable of making a direct and meaningful impact.

Our partnership with Bread for the City also gave our team a tangible way to engage with D.C. beyond our office and to live out our values, especially our commitment to equity, inclusion, and justice. It served as an important reminder that our work and our industry is ultimately about the people and communities these policies are meant to serve.



# Individual *Donor*

## FEATURE



**Autumn Hunter**

Bank of America Managing Director;  
Federal Government Relations Executive

### WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO SUPPORT BREAD FOR THE CITY AND ITS MISSION?

For Autumn, supporting Bread for the City isn't just about giving back—it's about staying connected to something she believed in from the very beginning.

She first encountered Bread for the City as a law student, volunteering in the organization's legal intake clinic. "I spent a couple of days in the legal clinic doing intake, and I loved it."

Years later, after building a successful career and deepening her commitment to pro bono and community work, she found her way back—this time as a donor and leader. "I already knew about Bread for the City. I was already a fan," she said. What began as a student experience came full circle into a lasting partnership.

### WHAT ELSE WOULD YOU SHARE WITH OTHERS ABOUT SUPPORTING BREAD?

From medical and dental services to food access, workforce development, and legal support, she sees Bread for the City as an organization that meets people where they are—while preserving dignity every step of the way.

"Bread for the City makes it so easy to support them because they're offering so many services," she explained. "There are so many ways to get involved and make a difference."

Today, her support is rooted not just in belief, but in experience—in seeing the impact of comprehensive, community-centered care and understanding what's at stake when it's not available.

For her, Bread for the City represents more than a nonprofit. It's a model for what care should look like—accessible, dignified, and truly centered around the whole person.

“For me, it serves the whole person and not just a piece of them. It's so rooted in the community. One of my favorite things about it is they have community members on the board, which I think is absolutely incredible for the community to have a direct voice in how they are being served.”



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At Bread for the City, we believe everyone can be a part of building a more equitable community. Discover the many ways you can join us in making a meaningful difference in our city.

## DONATE

Your generosity brings help and hope directly to residents with low incomes in our community. Every dollar you give provides essential services, from food and clothing to medical care and advocacy.

### ONLINE:

[breadforthecity.org/give](https://breadforthecity.org/give)

### BY MAIL:

Send checks to:  
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Attn: Development, Advancement  
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1525 7th Street NW  
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### RECURRING GIFTS:

Join our circle of monthly supporters and create lasting change. Any amount can make a meaningful difference.

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Make a lasting impact all year with an automatic payroll deduction—many employers may match your gift, making your generosity go twice as far.

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You can leave a legacy of hope for D.C. residents with a gift to Bread for the City in your will or revocable trust. You can also designate Bread for the City as a beneficiary of an IRA or retirement plan. Connect with a Development team member today at [donorservices@breadforthecity.org](mailto:donorservices@breadforthecity.org) to explore your options.

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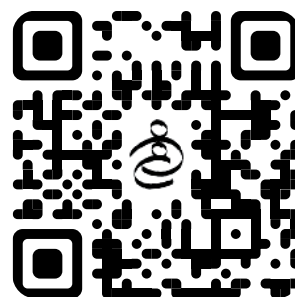
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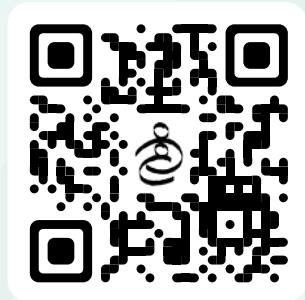


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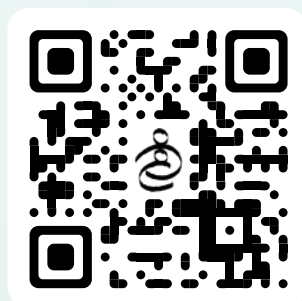
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**Together, we can continue strengthening our community and building a future where everyone thrives.**



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