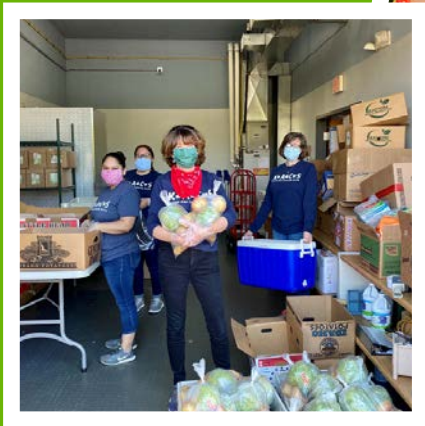


# IMPACT REPORT

October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020



## OUR VISION

A community without poverty where everyone can live well.

## OUR MISSION

Strengthening the community in Southern Chester County through food, housing and crisis services.

Dear friends,

I think we can all agree that this year has been like no other. Despite the hardships arising from 2020, I am humbled and grateful for the unflinching determination of our community to provide food and shelter for our neighbors in need.

In this 2019-2020 Impact Report, you will see the numbers behind all the people whose lives were changed by your contribution to the mission of Kennett Area Community Service (KACS) a nonprofit that provides essential, life sustaining services. Whether you donated food, money, your time, or your expertise, together we changed the lives of the people who live right here in our area. None of this would have been possible without all of us coming together to tackle the ongoing issues of hunger and homelessness.

As you know, our Food Cupboard has been operating at record-breaking levels to keep up with the increased demand for food assistance brought on by the COVID-19 crisis. To date, 16,447 visits have been made to our small food cupboard and amazingly 32 families were stably rehoused through the perseverance of the team in our emergency assistance program. The emphasis on rapid rehousing is focused on getting people's lives back to normal through immediate housing and case management and has made exceptional advances in helping people stabilize their lives.

In this next year we still face many unknowns as a community and as an organization. However, there is one thing of which we can all be certain and that is KACS's commitment and capacity to strengthen the community in Southern Chester County through food, housing, and crisis services enabling everyone to survive and thrive.

Thank you, on behalf of the many families who depend on KACS, our volunteers, staff, and Board of Directors for choosing to support the health and welfare of your community through KACS. We hope that as you read through the remarkable accomplishments on the following pages you feel a sense of pride knowing that you were a vital part of making it all possible.

Thanks for all you do to love your neighbor.

Warmly,

*Leah*

Leah M. Reynolds, M.S.P.L.  
Executive Director



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## Our Staff

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# THE COLLECTIVE IMPACT

## EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

**\$555,477**

total payments for the year

**\$441,249**

Rent, Mortgage & Security Deposits



**\$48,337**

Short term  
hotel stays

(Because there are no shelters  
in Southern Chester County)



**\$3,229**

Heating  
oil  
assistance



**\$38,668**

Electric  
bill  
assistance



Water  
bill  
assistance

**\$6,058**

**\$17,936** Other emergency payments

**32**

Families/Individuals  
Stably Rehoused



**18**



Graduates of our  
Getting Ahead  
workshops

## FOOD CUPBOARD

**66 years**

serving our community

**16,447**

Individuals served  
at our Food Cupboard



6,051



CHILDREN

1,011



SENIORS

**463,232 lbs.**

Food donations by individuals,  
grocery stores, food drives, and  
the government



**194**

Individuals served through our  
monthly delivery service.



**308 individual volunteers\***

18 volunteer groups\*

6,588 hours



**306**

Families received  
Thanksgiving dinner  
in November 2019



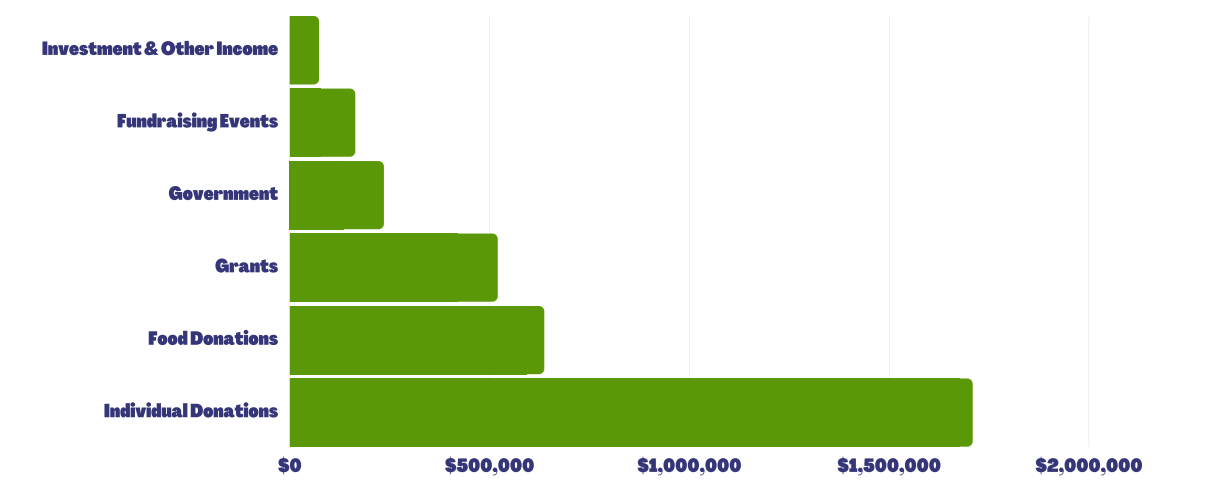
**401**

Families received  
food, coats & toys  
from our annual  
holiday event

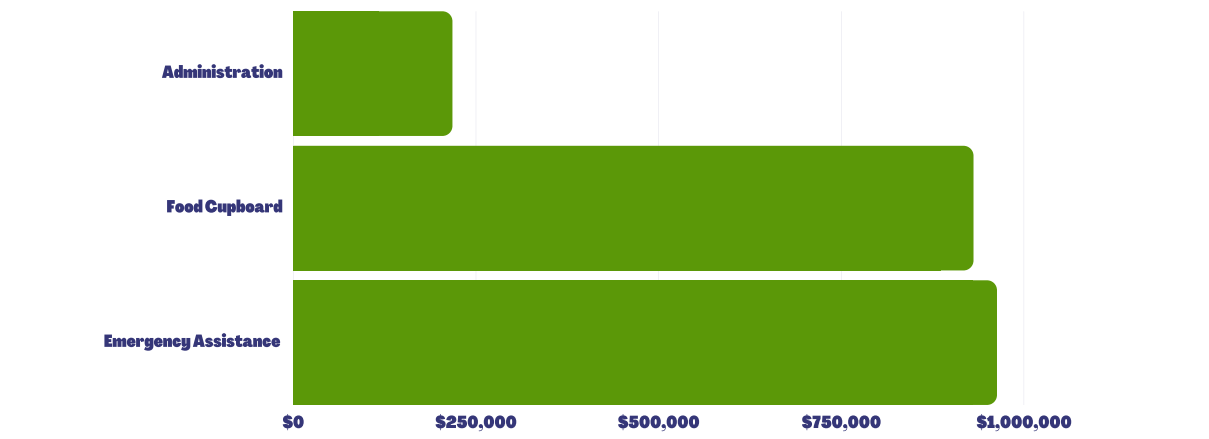


\*For a complete list of our volunteers and donors please visit [www.kacsonline.net](http://www.kacsonline.net)

# CONTRIBUTIONS



# EXPENSES



The financial information in our Impact Report has been prepared prior to our 2019-2020 audit. For our most current audited financial statements please refer to our website [www.kacsonline.net](http://www.kacsonline.net).

# HOW TO GIVE

## NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS



FOOD DONATIONS



CONTRIBUTIONS



VOLUNTEERING

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