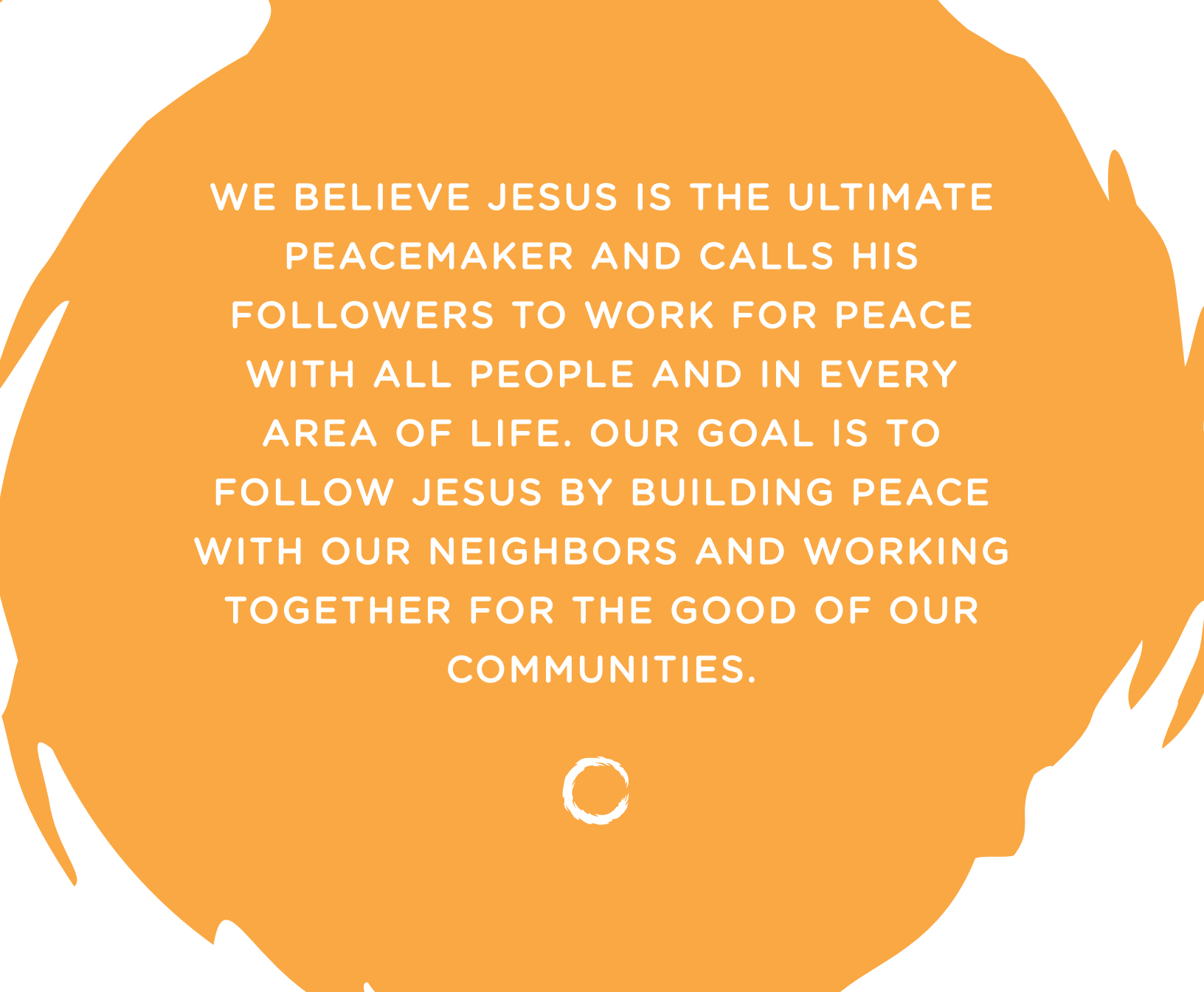




PEACE  
CATALYST  
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ANNUAL  
REPORT

An orange silhouette of a person's head and shoulders, facing forward. The silhouette is filled with a solid orange color. On the forehead area, there is a white circle. The text is centered within the head area.

WE BELIEVE JESUS IS THE ULTIMATE  
PEACEMAKER AND CALLS HIS  
FOLLOWERS TO WORK FOR PEACE  
WITH ALL PEOPLE AND IN EVERY  
AREA OF LIFE. OUR GOAL IS TO  
FOLLOW JESUS BY BUILDING PEACE  
WITH OUR NEIGHBORS AND WORKING  
TOGETHER FOR THE GOOD OF OUR  
COMMUNITIES.

# OUR WORK DURING COVID-19

2020 brought new and myriad challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and we grieve with all those who lost loved ones and who suffered or continue to suffer physically, financially, and emotionally. As Christians whose mission is to sow peace, justice, and reconciliation in our world, these challenges helped us to see in fresh ways the importance of this work and caused us to renew our commitment to collaborating with our partners of all faiths and backgrounds. The limitations of this year forced us to think creatively and come up with new ways of catalyzing peace. They also gave us time to think about our goals and our future, and specifically about how we can be agents of peace in a world facing new challenges and new conflicts.



A stylized world map in a light orange color, serving as a background for the text. The map shows the outlines of continents and is centered on the Atlantic Ocean.

# 2020 **IMPACT**

**196** PEACEMAKING  
EVENTS

**24** CITIES  
TOUCHED

**3,042** PEACE  
PARTICIPANTS



# HOW

## WE BUILD PEACE

### **EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING**

Instead of talking about each other, we help people talk to each other through events where people of different faiths and backgrounds can interact, connect, and practice learned peacemaking skills.

### **TEACHING & TRAINING**

We equip peacemakers by giving theological foundations for peacemaking, tools for working with people of other faiths & backgrounds, and practical peace building skills that can be applied in any location or context.

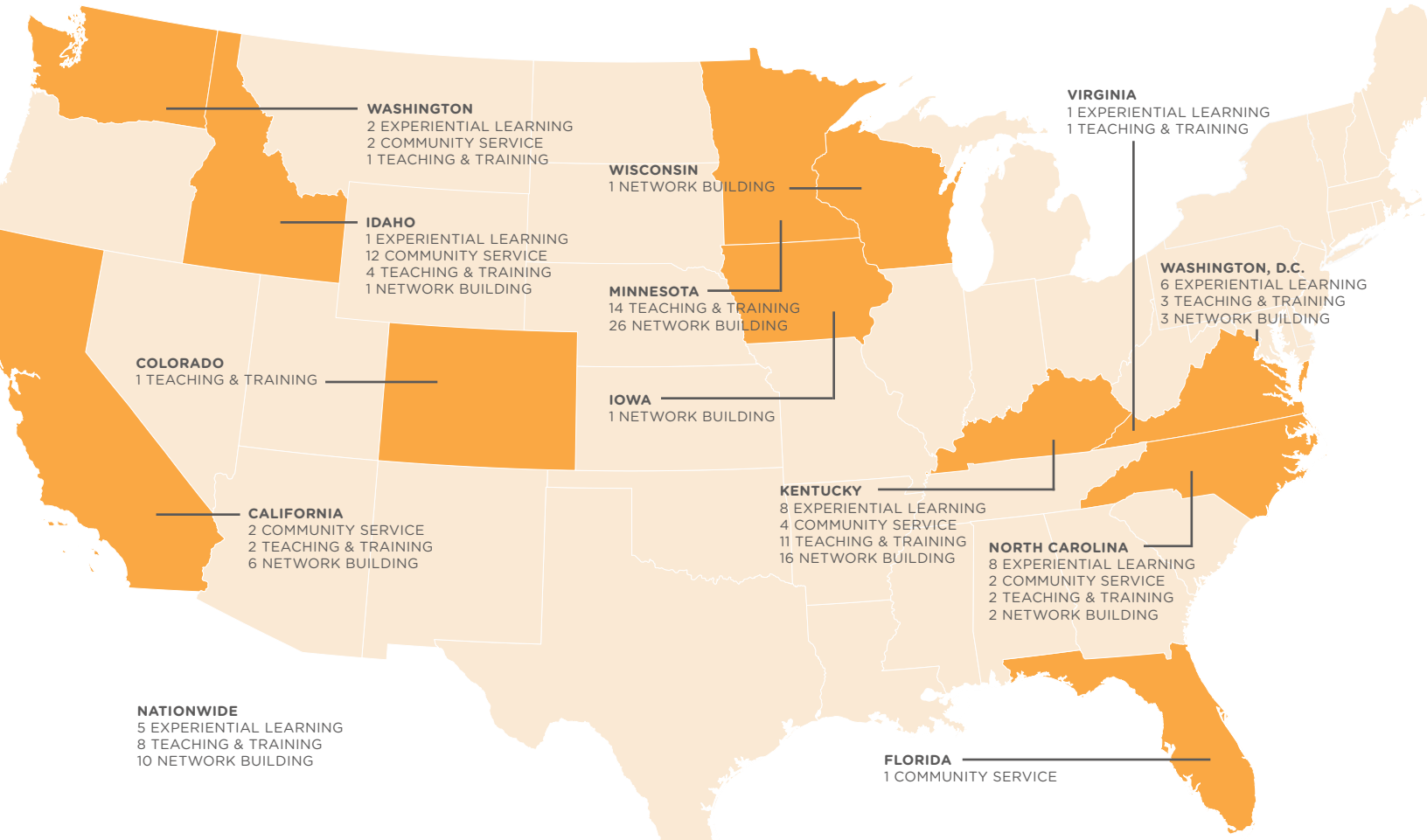
### **COMMUNITY SERVICE & ACTIVISM**

Because we can affect exponential change when we work together, we gather people of different backgrounds to serve the community side-by-side and coordinate public action to make a positive impact in the places we live.

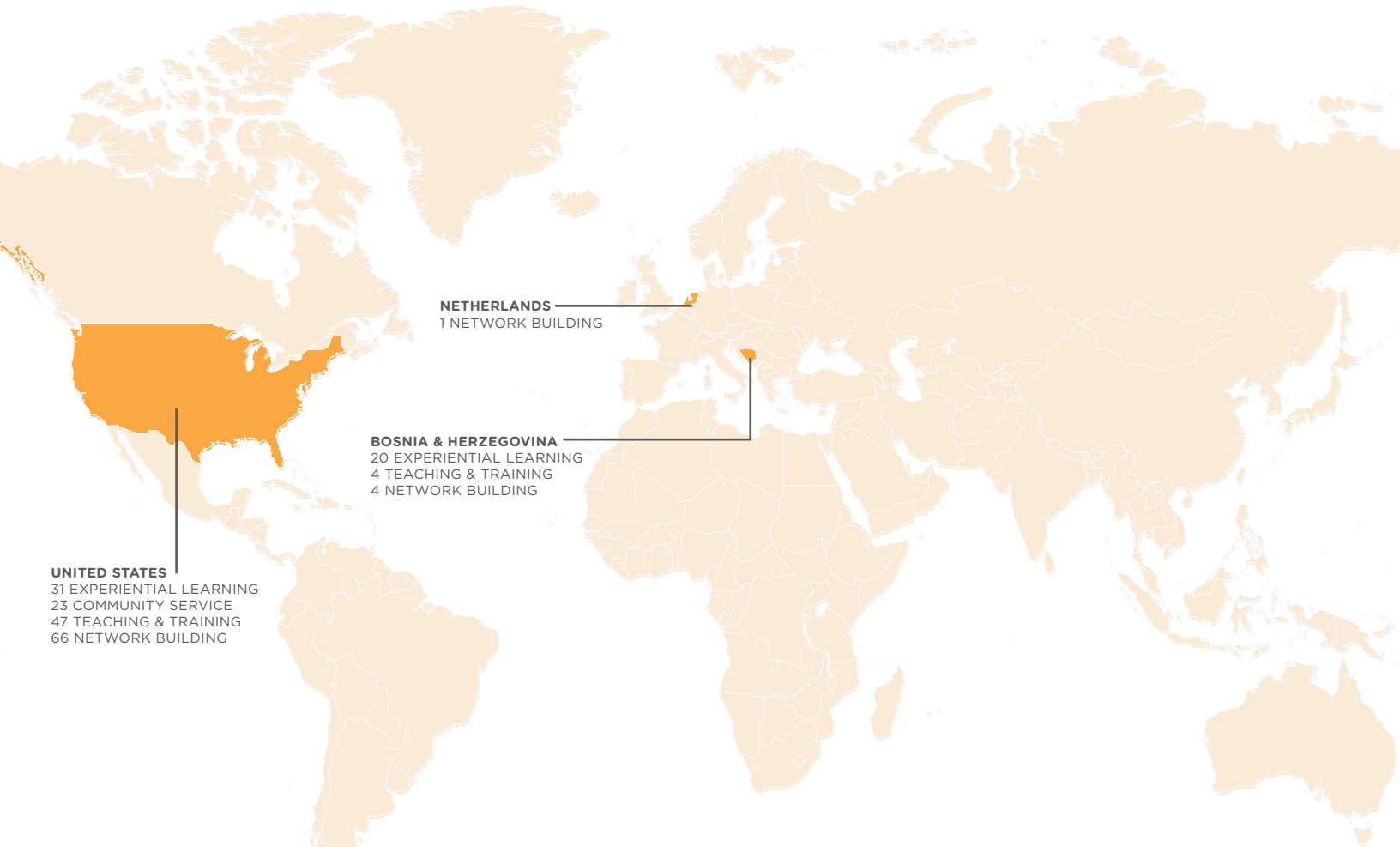
### **NETWORK BUILDING**

The first step toward peacemaking is showing up and building relationships, so we work hard to make peace connections around the globe.

# 2020 IN THE UNITED STATES



# 2020 AROUND THE **WORLD**



**NETHERLANDS**  
1 NETWORK BUILDING

**BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA**  
20 EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING  
4 TEACHING & TRAINING  
4 NETWORK BUILDING

**UNITED STATES**  
31 EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING  
23 COMMUNITY SERVICE  
47 TEACHING & TRAINING  
66 NETWORK BUILDING

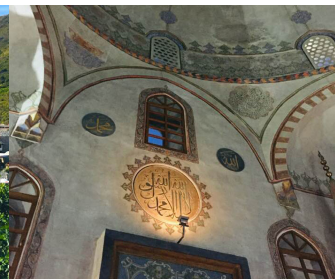
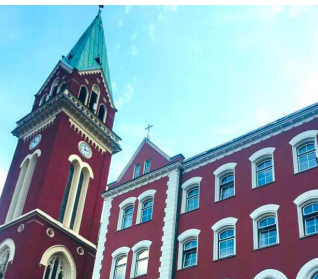
# BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

# CATALYZE “TRIP”

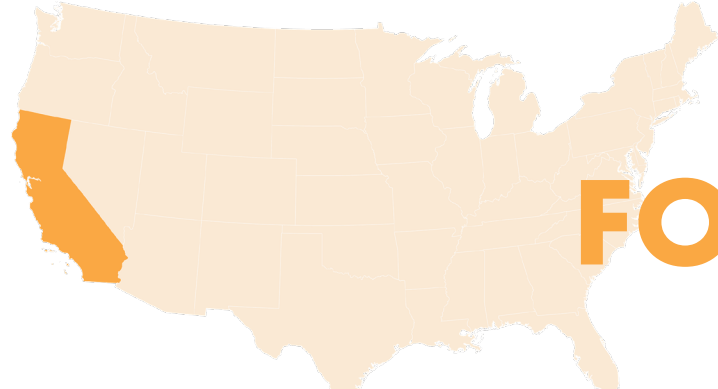


Bosnians who have lived through the Bosnian War of the 1990s and emerged as peacemakers have invaluable skills and wisdom to share, and we’re bringing their expertise to the world.

In November we took our second annual Catalyze peacemaking journey online for 5 days of training, dialogue, and connection. 33 people from various faith and ethnic backgrounds attended from around the globe to learn from Bosnian peacemaking practitioners and other peace experts. Participants learned about the Bosnian War, ending cycles of violence, inter-religious peacebuilding, and how to implement take-home lessons in any context.







# RESEDA, CALIFORNIA FOOD PANTRY



The COVID-19 pandemic has meant reduced income or even loss of income for many, so in Southern California we've partnered with a local Christian church as well as the Muslim and Sikh communities in the area and many local businesses to establish a weekly drive-thru food pantry to provide increased food security to neighbors facing financial hardship. Through donations from diverse faith groups and other local food pantries, we have been able to serve over 100 families each week with a combination of nonperishable goods and fresh produce.

# IDAHO & KENTUCKY FOOD SECURITY WITH IRUSA

Refugees are one of the populations most vulnerable to the effects of COVID-19, and we were able to help thanks to a \$12,000 grant from Islamic Relief USA.

In both Boise, Idaho and Louisville, Kentucky we provided refugee families with gift cards to locally- and refugee-owned markets, not only helping families but also supporting hard-hit local businesses.

We also provided material help to community gardens to help families grow their own food. Grant money was used to supply watering cans, gardening land, fencing, weedeaters, funds for water utility bills, and more.





In Boise we partnered with the Islamic Center of Boise, a local mosque serving the most vulnerable in the city, to distribute gift cards; and garden support was provided through Glocal Community Gardens.



In Louisville we partnered with South Louisville Community Ministries, a Christian-based emergency relief service, to provide gift cards to vulnerable families; and garden support was provided through Americana Community Center.



In total, 117 gift cards were distributed and more than 250 people were helped by support to local community gardens.







“There are a lot of folks who are in need right now because of the pandemic, and we’re able to make sure they have the food they need for their families thanks to you all.”

- SOUTH LOUISVILLE COMMUNITY MINISTRIES







# BOISE COVID-19 REFUGEE SUPPORT



We provided multi-faceted support for refugees during the pandemic, including hygiene kits distributed to 40 families, friendship and relational support, and a community garden for families to grow their own food. Because of this garden, refugee families from 8 countries including Bhutan, the DRC, Somalia, Uzbekistan and others, were able to increase their food stability during tough economic times.

# NATIONWIDE HIGHLIGHTS

**UYGHUR ADVOCACY** We continue to advocate on behalf of the Uyghur people facing genocide at the hands of the Chinese Communist Party in Xinjiang. We hosted three online events to raise awareness of the situation and allow Uyghurs to tell their stories to a wider audience.

**RACE RELATIONS**  
We sought to evaluate our own part in systemic racism and held online gatherings with Christians and those of other faiths to discuss the role of faith communities in racial justice and reconciliation.

**SCRIPTURAL REASONING**  
We gathered Christian, Muslim, and Jewish neighbors online to discuss our respective holy books and topics of peacemaking. We practiced learning about others' faith and our own, observing both differences and similarities in an environment of friendship.



## OUTCOME HARVESTING

To measure the success of our programs and projects, we are adopting a monitoring & evaluation approach called Outcome Harvesting (OH). OH collects evidence of behavior and attitude changes as they emerge in participants. This approach is useful in contexts in which multiple actors likely contribute to changes in participants, and it is particularly helpful when outcomes - both expected and unexpected - tend to emerge over time, as is often the case in peace work.





# THANK YOU

You're breaking down divisions,  
bringing neighbors together,  
and building stronger and more  
resilient communities in the  
United States and around the  
world.



# FINANCIALS OVERVIEW

DONATIONS **\$573,790**

GRANTS **\$103,411**

OTHER **\$9,454**

**TOTAL REVENUE \$686,655**

PROGRAM EXPENSES & WAGES **\$455,194**

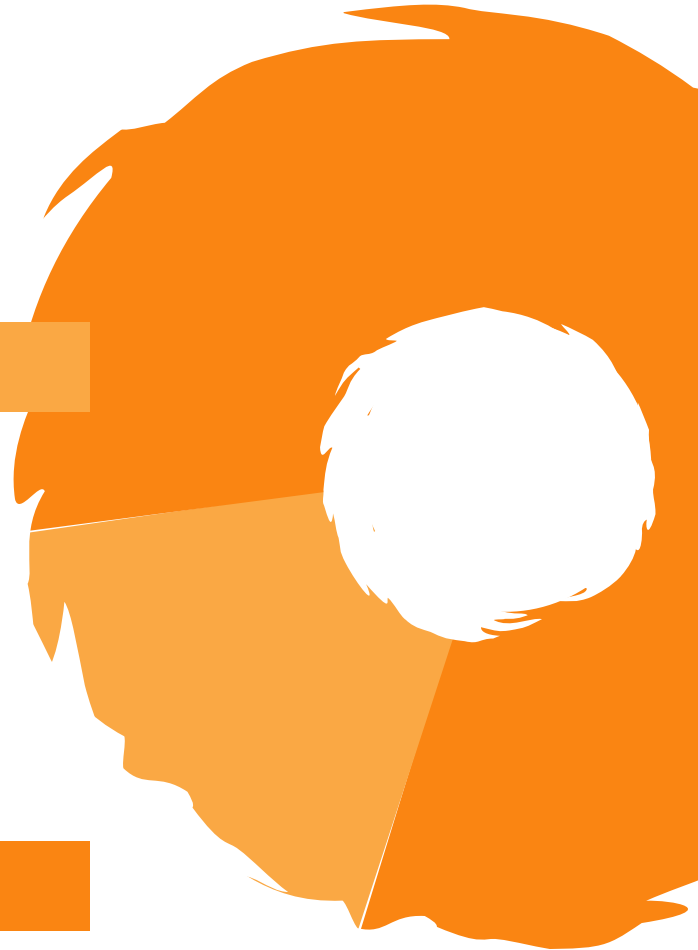
ADMIN **\$67,498**

OPERATIONS **\$39,100**

OTHER **\$681**

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$562,473**

NET REVENUE **\$124,182**



# OUR TEAM OF DONORS

- INDIVIDUALS | 73%
- CHURCHES | 17%
- FOUNDATIONS | 7%
- ORGANIZATIONS | 3%

