



2025

IMPACT REPORT

Building Trust & Connection



Message from Mike

Dear Friends,

I want to extend my deepest gratitude for your unwavering support of the Cross of Christ Community Center this past year. Your generosity has made it possible for us to live out our mission every single day—serving those in need with dignity, compassion, and the love of Christ.

Because of you, families received assistance during their most difficult moments. You helped us provide food, clothing, school supplies, toys and educational classes while allowing us to provide uplifting Christian messages that nourished both body and spirit. You enabled us to stand as a steady presence in the community, offering practical assistance and hope to those who depend on this center.

As we enter 2026, we are stepping forward with a laser-focused vision: to expand our outreach, strengthen

our programs, and elevate the services we provide— food and clothing giveaways, Christ-centered messages with hot meals, and the many other supports that help our neighbors move toward stability and renewed faith.

Your continued partnership makes this mission possible. Thank you for believing in our work, for sowing into this ministry, and for walking beside us as we serve the community God has placed in our care.

May God bless you abundantly in the year ahead.

With gratitude,



Michael Brooks

Michael Brooks, Executive Director



More than just a building...

10

Advisory Board
Members

5

Months of
community
service in
2025

8

Unhoused community
members attended
events via personal
invitation

Partners

2

Schools

+

5

Corporations

+

62

Donors

300+

Neighbors attended
various free Center
activities and
gatherings

50

Children

30

Families + Santa
and elves at
the Holiday Party
in December

7

New Programs
promoted by email
campaigns, Facebook
posts and print ads

1

Dundalk Eagle
newspaper feature

12

Dedicated
Volunteers

1500+

Donated items —
clothing, shoes,
household goods,
crafts, candy,
stuffed animals —
distributed to
neighbors

Overview



Cross of Christ Community Center, established in 2025, offers a safe and compassionate neighborhood hub where individuals and families are empowered to overcome challenges, find healing, and build a prosperous future through faith, education, and other comprehensive support. Our mission is to uplift and transform lives by providing essential social services, including food and clothing drives, legal advice, addiction counseling, and employment guidance, along with educational and social programs. We are also dedicated to supporting abused and battered women and their children by offering safe houses and other resources. Through Christian messages and vibrant community activities, we strive to foster meaningful connections, promote personal growth, and instill hope, guiding all to achieve their fullest potential.

Ministry In Action



Dozens of community members attended Center events, such as clothing drives and picnics, to connect with us and receive much-needed items. Generous donors provided thousands of items — clothing, shoes, household goods, school supplies, and food, — to serve residents' needs.



Stories of compassion and hope

Monthly *Meal & Message* gatherings invited individuals, seeking a warm meal and an uplifting message, to share a table and build lasting relationships. Hosted by Executive Director Mike Brooks, these evenings reflected on the words of Christ to encourage Christian values in daily life.

“We have been blessed to be here working together to experience and pursue Christ together,” said Brooks.



Our inaugural months in operation brought together housed and unhoused individuals and families in the St. Helena neighborhood. One resident raved: “This place is just what we needed”.

During events, inter-generational families visited the Center for food, goods, services, and just-plain fun. The outdoor games, craft supplies, and facepainting were a hit with all ages!

One teen remarked, “My grandmother really needed to have her face painted today. She never gets to have any fun at home.”

Impact Surveys Said...



- Muy Agradecida esto esta perfectos
- You are such a shining light for the community!
Continue to be amazing.
- esto es magnifico!
- The Christian message really inspired me to try to do—
and live—better every day
- Gracia por apollar nos
- Please continue your work to help because there are
many people in this community that need your help...
Thank you!
- This is the absolute best Christmas EVER!
- Estoy contenta por lo recibido
- I love you guys!



**“Above all,
we want to
help people
experience the
joy, peace, and
blessings that
come from a
life centered
in Christ.”**

Michael Brooks,
Executive Director

2025 Initiatives



School Supply Giveaway & Picnic

Meal & Message

Clothing Collection & Giveaway

Financial Literacy Classes

Halloween Candy Collection & Giveaway

Holiday Party with Stuffie Giveaway & Santa

Community Partnerships

Website



Facebook Page

Dundalk Eagle Feature Article & Ads



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Year One 2025 **Popular Giving Methods**

- In-Kind donations delivered to the Center and nearby drop-off locations
- Cash and check monetary donations
- Online electronic donations using the website "Donate" link

May the Lord reward you for your kindness. Ruth 1:8



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**Most Popular
Giving Method
is Our QR Code**



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