YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK

# ACCELERATING PROGRESS

# 2023 IMPACT REPORT



# FROM OUR DIRECTOR

Dear God's Garage Family,

As we approach the end of another year, I want to express my deepest gratitude for your unwavering support and commitment to the mission of God's Garage. 2023 has been a year of incredible milestones, progress and life change, especially the opening of our new ministry building and garage. We have witnessed God's faithfulness in abundance!

While we pursue new ways to serve our community, our vision remains clear:

# To create a generational impact, breaking the cycle of hardship and despair by offering reliable transportation and a pathway to a relationship with Jesus Christ.

We pride ourselves on serving our beneficiaries with integrity, working together in unity, taking steps in faith, and delivering excellence in all we do — bringing hope and faith to those who need it most.

Through the generous financial and volunteer support of people like you, the women we serve are able to hear the gospel, connect to single mom groups and a local church, receive a bible and more. By lifting the burdens of transportation, we have the honor of leading these women toward a brighter, more hopeful future.

# As we prepare for a new year, we welcome your prayers and consideration in partnering with God's Garage by making a year-end gift to help further our impact in 2024.

Your financial contributions have been the bedrock of our success, enabling us to provide free transportation and car repairs to single mothers, widows, and wives of deployed military. Our collective effort has been nothing short of remarkable, and your generosity and selflessness continually inspire me.

Thank you for being a part of this remarkable journey! Your steadfast commitment drives God's Garage's success, and I am deeply thankful.



Sincerely,

**Justin Coggins, Executive Director** On behalf of God's Garage employees and board

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." GALATIANS 6:9



## **OUR MISSION**

We exist to serve single mothers, widows and wives of deployed military by providing them reliable transportation through free vehicles or free vehicle repairs.

# **OUR VALUES**

INTEGRITY — FAITH — UNITY — EXCELLENCE

## **OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH**

We believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, His only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

## **OUR TEAM**

JUSTIN COGGINS Executive Director

AMY JO ROBB Account Manager

**CHERY GEGELMAN** Client & Volunteer Ministry Leader JAKE SHREVES Creative & IT Tech

HECTOR BLANCO Operations Manager

JARED SKINNER Shop Foreman

BRAD THOMPSON Board Chairman LINDA STEGEMAN Board Treasurer

CONNIE TAYLOR Board Secretary

LORENA GARCIA Board Member

**CHRIS BUGG** Board Member



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# **STORIES OF LIFE CHANGE**

God's Garage's Restore U seminar provided an environment where I felt heard, loved and supported. People who had never met me cared for me enough to show me how much God loves me and reminded me that I have a purpose. They gave me tools, resources and encouragement to help change my mindset to see my circumstances based on my potential, not where I came from.

> At risk of losing my job of 9 years due to lack of transportation, I was paying hundreds of dollars a week for Uber to get to and from work. That left me with less than \$200 per week for groceries and bills for my family. The vehicle God's Garage gifted me helped me regain my life and get back on track with my bills. The people here are such a blessing — it is so refreshing to know people who actually care.

**STACY** 

**JASMIN** 

The past year has been incredibly tough: I lost my cousin, my father's health declined rapidly, and on top of that, my husband left and took everything. Through the tears, I kept praying that God would provide. His timing couldn't have been better in receiving a vehicle from God's Garage. This van allows me to care for my family, get groceries, attend school and more. I'm so grateful!

HEATHER

I'm so very grateful to God for God's Garage. His Word is true and faithful. He says He will supply all our needs and does just that through people like those at God's Garage. Thank you for obeying God to see and meet the needs of countless single moms, widows and military wives. I'm forever grateful for you guys. May the blessings of God overtake you all in every way!

SONYA



# **A YEAR OF PROGRESS**



On Saturday, February 18, 2023, we celebrated one of the most significant milestones in the life of God's Garage. We hosted the **grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony** for our new multipurpose garage and ministry facility. It was a day filled with too many blessings to count as we celebrated God's faithfulness and shared His love with our cherished community.

Judge Wayne Mack and our board of directors shared encouraging words about what's to come through the new building in the next season of God's Garage. In addition, with over 200 people in attendance, we blessed three amazing, well-deserving single mothers with new vehicles to help restore their freedom and independence. Seeing the joy and relief on their faces never gets old!

We were overwhelmed with gratitude for the love and support of our community throughout the years and the building process. We cannot thank our team, donors, sponsors, vendors and volunteers enough for all they have done and continue to do. We would not be here without each one of you!



# **EVERY LIFE MATTERS**

Serving those in need in our community would not be possible without you. Every metric and number represented below is a life impacted by your generous support of God's Garage in 2023!

Estimated to Receive **2,880+** Applications from Women in Need of Reliable Transportation by Year's End.

On Track to Giveaway **50+** Vehicles to Qualified Applicants This Year; Totaling an Estimated Value of **\$348,000**.

On Track to Repair **48+** Client Vehicles Free of Charge by the End of 2023; Saving Clients an Estimated Value of **\$201,000**.

On Average, 2½ CHILDREN are Positively Impacted for Every Client Served.

As of Mid-October, **52** People Have Professed Their Faith in Jesus This Year.

Applied for **19** Grants in 2023; Received **6** Grants Totaling **\$42,000**.

Fostered 115+ Partnerships Including Churches, Businesses, Foundations and Nonprofits to Enhance Our Ministry Operations.

As of Mid-October, **190** Volunteers Have Logged **13,736** Hours of Service Throughout the Ministry This Year.

As of Mid-October, **192** Clients Have Completed Our Restore U Seminar, Receiving Essential Life-skills Training.

As of Mid-October, **106** Women Have Found Connection and Help in a Single Moms Group Via Our Church Partners.

As of Mid-October, **120** Clients Have Enrolled in 1:1 Financial Coaching to Learn Better Budgeting and Saving Practices.



# YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

We have seen firsthand the impact we can have when we partner together to make a difference! By partnering with God's Garage, you help restore freedom and independence to women in need and their families throughout Montgomery County and beyond. Please consider supporting our work and be a part of changing lives!

# **GIVE FINANCIALLY**

Join our family as a financial partner to help further the life-changing work happening daily. Below are multiple ways you can make a tax-deductible donation by **December 31**.

## + ATTEND OUR OPEN GARAGE

Join us for a casual, come-and-go social at our campus (2100 E. Davis St, Conroe, TX) on Friday, Dec. 15 from 4-6pm.

#### + ONLINE

Visit our website at GodsGarage.org

+ MAIL

Send a check to our address located on the last page of this document.

- + TEXT Text GODSGARAGE to 44321
- + ZELLE Send to signups@godsgarage.org
- + STOCK Call 936-286-8000 to start the simple process.

## **DONATE A VEHICLE**

Donate your car, truck, SUV, van, boat, RV, motorcycle and more to help provide for women in need. It's a simple and quick online process. We'll pick it up for free, and you may even qualify for a tax deduction. Get started today at

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## PARTNER MONTHLY

Our partner program consists of businesses, churches and individuals who feel led to equip the work of God's Garage financially. They give annual gifts or monthly recurring donations to help sustain long-lasting impact within our community. Please email us to learn about our partner opportunities!

## PARTNER@GODSGARAGE.ORG

"Do not forget to do good and to help one another, because these are the sacrifices that please God." HEBREWS 13:16

# HOW FAR YOUR GIVING GOES

Your faithful generosity makes an impact by fulfilling both operational needs and restorative programs offered through God's Garage. Below is a glimpse of how your giving impacts our ministry efforts.

#### GIFT OF \$100,000

Can help convert our old pole barn into a premium car detailing facility.

#### GIFT OF \$50,000

Can cover the cost of discounted vehicle parts for six months.

#### GIFT OF \$1,000

Can restore one donated vehicle to proper working order to gift to a qualified applicant.

#### **GIFT OF \$500**

Can provide new technology to enhance our ministry operations.

#### GIFT OF \$25,000

Can help pave additional parking lot space needed on our campus.

#### **GIFT OF \$150**

Can cover registration, title transfer fees and gas for one gifted vehicle.

#### GIFT OF \$10,000

Can provide a new trailer to expand our donated vehicle pickup capabilities.

## GIFT OF \$50

Can purchase a new car battery for a woman who cannot afford one.

## GIFT OF \$5,000

Can cover all utility expenses on our campus for one month.

#### GIFT OF \$25

Can provide necessary materials for one woman to attend our Restore U seminar.

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# **VOLUNTEER TESTIMONIES**

Some people have been dealt a very poor hand, and there are times when we can look back at our own lives and recognize a fork in the road in which things could have gone very differently for us. We are all one decision away from reversing roles with those we serve. Being able to assist women in great need of help is very gratifying.



BREENE



I had goosebumps when I saw how many people rededicated their lives to God. When I saw the hands go up, I knew right then that was the reason I was here: to help bring others closer to God.

It's not just volunteer work, God's Garage is a family. I enjoy using my past experiences to help our clients and to remind them that they are not alone. I am proud to serve as a team member at God's Garage.

**BRYCE & CAITLIN** 

Much like the women we serve, I have been a single mother three times and faced domestic violence and psychological abuse. My children and I had to walk, live in the car, and couch-surf. I have been exactly where our clients are. Going without has helped me appreciate what I have now. My life did not get better until I gave my life to Christ. Now I know focusing on Jesus and the Holy Spirit leads to a transformed life. I recommend God's Garage to friends because of the hope shared. Hope can bring you up quicker than anything else, even a car.





KARIE

Knowing these cars help get ladies to the grocery store, doctor, job and park with their children is fulfilling. Any time you can help someone, it's a Godsend. I recommend this volunteer work to anyone who desires to help.

Helping ladies take control of their lives when they previously had no control over their situation makes this a rewarding effort. It's a blessing to be part of this amazing ministry. You can feel the presence of God here.

DENNY M. & DENNY P.



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