

# STEWARDSHIP

Of our community





# Kevin & Danielle Riley

## Mount Baker Presbyterian Concrete Washington

At the beginning of 2020 we had maybe five members in our congregation and a surplus of maybe \$20K in liquid capital. Our community has the highest poverty, homeless, and addiction rates per capita in Skagit County.

When we closed out 2023 we had a total income of \$830,000.00

And in June of 2024 secured a contract for an annual \$235,000.00 per year







# How we got there and how we survived COVID

Covid was actually good for us as a ministry. It forced our hand at not only what we wanted to be for our community, but more importantly what our community needed us to be for them.



With limited resources and a world that had closed its doors

We made some bold and risky moves.

1) We abandoned the traditional model of membership acquisition



We applied for and received a \$5,000 grant

We then wrote a proposal to our presbytery asking for financial support over 3 years while we developed a fundraising plan



# Stewarding our community

We unapologetically poured our resources into the community



## Pop up Vaccination clinics

We held numerous vaccination clinics using our space to care for our community, strengthening our community ties and building partnerships with local service providers.

## Food & Diaper distribution

We became a place where the community could come every Wednesday for free diapers and all the makings for a spaghetti dinner

## Coats and Shoes for Children

We supplied the 13 neediest kids in the school district with coats and shoes





# Through stewarding our community we developed partnerships with local nonprofit organizations and county government



Skagit County Department of Public Health

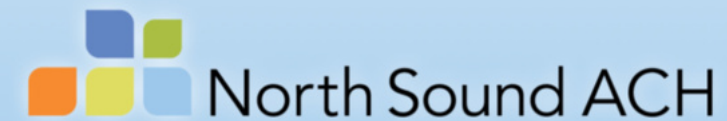
With their help we were able to bring a cold weather shelter to our community and provide regular access to vaccines during COVID



North Sound BH-ASO

With the help of the ASO we were able to help bring an embedded crisis responder with law enforcement to our community along with access to medically assisted treatment.

The medically assisted treatment took place in the social hall of MBPC every Tuesday



After partnering with both SCPH and NSBHASO for a year or two we were then connected to North Sound ACH. This organization spans five counties and at the time had been developing a collaborative action network across the north sound. Bringing together behavioral health and human services organizations along with nonprofits for community collaboration. We were the first faith community accepted into that network



# Investing in our community and our community investing in us



We outgrew our social hall

We quickly outgrew our social hall and had to rent another building. I was able to write a proposal to Skagit County and get the building fully funded

Created a services hub for all things substance use disorder

We have used this building as a homeless shelter, MAT clinic, access to showers and free laundry along with peer support services



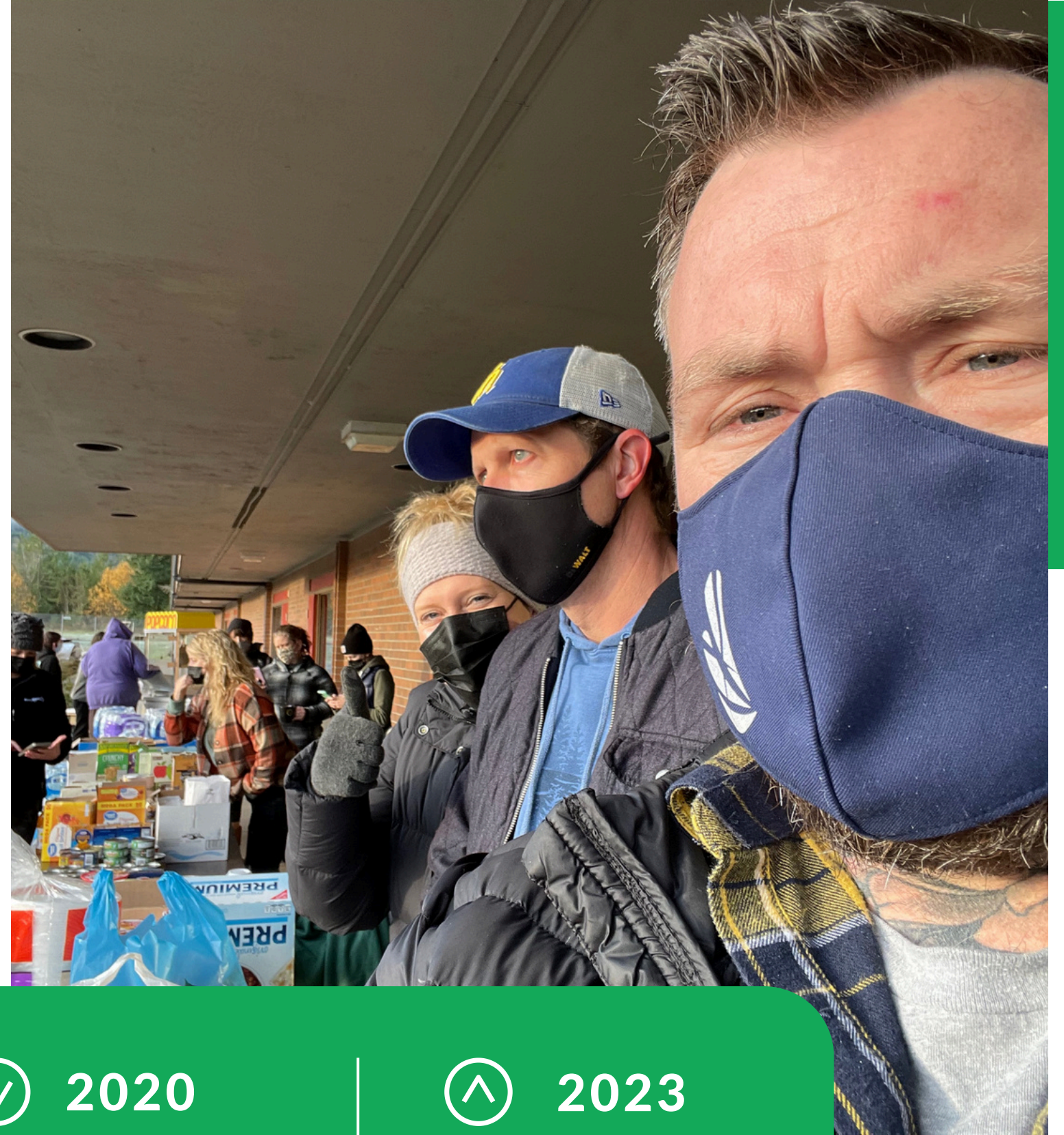


# How do we fund this work?

## Through collaborative partnerships and fundraising

We have been able to fund this work by piecing numerous things together.

- Personal fundraising
- Partnering and resource sharing
- Grant Writing
- Boldly being what our community needed us to be



✓ 2020

\$5,000

▲ 2023

\$830,000



# What does our future look like?

## More collaborative partnerships

WE UNDERSTAND THAT WE CAN'T DO IT ALONE

We look forward to continuing to build partnerships with other invested community stakeholders to unapologetically care for our community and boldly bring the light of Christ into the darkest areas of our immediate community and beyond





## Who we are and where we serve

Kevin and his wife Danielle are commissioned pastors having served in Concrete WA since 2017. In addition to helping transform the congregation's ministry and economic model informed by their own Christ-transforming lives, Kevin helped to create a property oversight committee in Northwest Coast Presbytery, with a vision of re-imagining and re-developing church properties for the future of the communities where they are located.

Danielle is currently under care of our CPM, chairs the NWCP commissioned pastor Taskforce and recently graduated from The Seattle School of Theology and Psychology, with a Masters in Theology & Culture and Community Development.

Kevin currently serves on the Advisory Group for the North Star Project in Skagit County - NWCP Executive Board, Mission Partner Taskforce, Property Oversight Committee - Board of Directors for North Sound ACH, Tribal Alignment Committee -

Kevin and Danielle have an inspiring life story of suffering and resurrection that makes them uniquely qualified for ministry and most specifically to those coming from a marginalized context. They focus on taking their congregation further on their spiritual journey and a ministry to the ones that need it most. They live in Skagit Valley with their three youngest children.





A close-up photograph of a wheat field during sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow and lens flare effects across the scene. The wheat stalks are in sharp focus in the foreground, with their heads and long awns clearly visible. The background shows a soft-focus landscape of more wheat fields and distant hills under a hazy sky. The text 'THANK YOU.' is centered horizontally across the middle of the image. The word 'THANK' is in a bright green color, while 'YOU.' is in white. The period at the end of 'YOU.' is a solid green dot.

**THANK YOU.**