

Annual Report 2021

*2021 was a big year for
Memorial Drive Ministries.*

The pandemic continued.
Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church
dissolved and then joined into
Eastminster Presbyterian Church.
The kitchen in the Donnell building
caught on fire. Kabul fell.

And even in the midst of all of this,
you empowered us
to face these challenges with
confidence and grace.

Thank you!





A Year of Challenges & Successes

Since the pandemic started, **our onsite partners on our campus have given out over \$275,000 in material assistance** to our community. Over **750 COVID vaccinations plus additional flu shots** have also been administered on our campus. 2021 also saw the investment of over **\$113,310 into capital repairs and improvements** on campus, including the completion of the gym roof project, which marks the largest capital improvement project we have undertaken – protecting welcoming space for years to come.

Our campus welcomed **3 new congregations** (worshiping in Amharic, Swahili, and Zo languages) onto our campus as new onsite partners this past year. We also held **3 successful donation drives for diapers, school supplies, and welcome kits** for newly arrived refugee families (with over **25 churches** participating!). Through the incredible work of over **105 volunteers (and even more donors)**, we managed the Donnell building restoration after the fire and even took it as an opportunity to convert the lights to LED bulbs, bring all the thermostats onto the Wi-Fi network, and upgrade the flooring in the fellowship hall.

MDM also joined the **Business and Immigration for Georgia Partnership** in 2021 and our Director completed the **LEAD Institute year-long training for nonprofit executives**. In December of 2021, in response to the fall of Kabul and the Afghan evacuation, our Director also “deployed” on a **30-day temporary assignment with the International Rescue Committee to serve on the operation welcoming and assisting Afghan families** on a military base in Virginia. Perhaps most significantly, we **weathered MDPC’s closing in a way where our Onsite Partners felt no discernable negative effect** to their programming or their own community-wide impact. *All of this is a testament to your foresight, compassion, and generosity; and the power of the fruit of the Spirit to transform our world from one of hostility to one of hospitality.*

Thank you for your faithful support and the myriad ways you contribute to our community. You are ending disconnectedness for refugees and the diverse community of Clarkston. *We are grateful for you!*

Kindly,

David Roth | Executive Director, Memorial Drive Ministries

Photos from top: Our campus has hosted 5 vaccination events; the gym welcomes 6 different nonprofits, churches, educational programs, and recreation groups every week; generous volunteers cleaning to get us back into the building after the fire incident; David's deployment to welcome Afghan refugees.

1,700

Number of **Afghans** expected to arrive into Clarkston this current Fiscal Year.



\$29,090

The amount of **direct partner support** given out by MDM in 2021.



263

Number of facilities **work orders** that were completed in 2021.



In 2021, **Rev. Aisha Brooks-Johnson**, the Executive Presbyter of Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, **commissioned a piece called "Surrounded"** based on Hebrews 12; the proceeds of which support Memorial Drive Ministries!

Thank you to **Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church** for being the first to open the doors, set the vision, and call us all to a life of service and hospitality.



24%

Percentage of MDM's total annual expenses in 2021 that **Onsite Partners contributed.**



\$153,750

The amount of **cash**, restricted to future Capital Projects on campus, that **MDM has on hand** at the end of 2021. *(Represents approximately 25% of the necessary capital work we have identified.)*

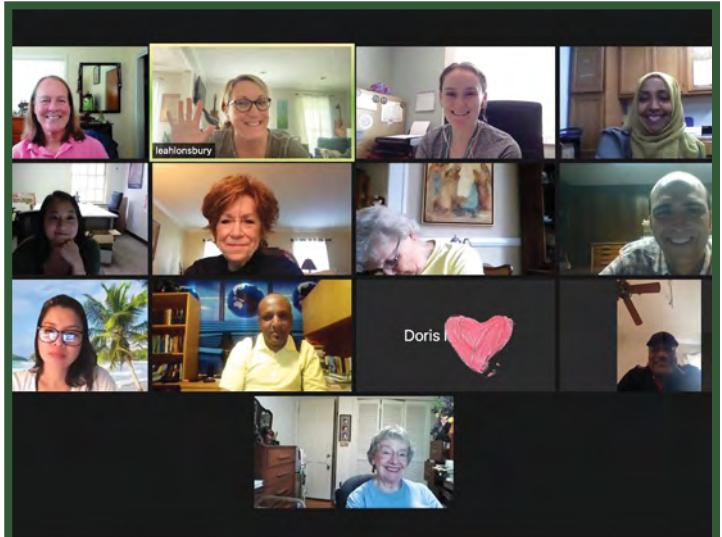
\$32,525

MDM's **average monthly expenses** in 2021.





Sanctuary Children’s Room Renovation –
Thank you for investing in space to welcome refugees!



Zoom Meetings – We held over 20 partner meetings and board meetings via Zoom in 2021.



Welcome Kit Drive – Thank you for collecting and donating the items that refugee families need!



Library & Literature Grant – We began a “Library and Literature” project to purchase more books for our on-campus community!



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