



Memphis Leadership Foundation, Inc.

Fact Sheet

Mission Statement

The mission of the Memphis Leadership Foundation is to proclaim the Whole Gospel to the whole city through the empowerment of leaders and the development of ministries/programs that focus on the needs of under-resourced people and communities.

History

In 1986, the Memphis Leadership Foundation, a Christian non-profit organization began its efforts to serve the needs of people who are lost, helpless, and hopeless. Since our inception, MLF has established and serves as the parent organization, partner, or affiliate of 27 ministries, all of which serve under-resourced people and communities.

Focus Areas of Service

MLF focuses on **five** key areas of service. These areas address some of the most pressing needs in our community:

- **Families and Children**
- **Affordable Housing**
- **Youth**
- **Leadership Development**
- **Community and Economic Development**

The Impact

- 276 homes built and sold at a value of \$21 million
- 1,500 men and women placed in sustainable jobs
- Four fully equipped clinics and one mobile unit provide spiritual and medical care to those in need.
- 2,000 juvenile offense cases mediated reducing recidivism from 38% to 14% for juvenile offenders
- 33,000 patients without insurance receive quality healthcare
- 600 youth attend weekly Bible club through RedZone ministries
- Over 7,500, mostly inner-city youth attend For the Kingdom Camp for one week
- 350 multinational youth participate in reading and tutoring programs
- Over 180 youth workers trained and over 10,000 youth involved regularly through the Urban Youth Initiative Program
- Numerous of recreation and athletic facilities established with 1000's of kids served a year

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Background

Fiscal year budget: \$7,600,000
Full-time staff: 70
Part-time staff: 10
of volunteers annually: 1200
of people served annually:
66,149
of partner organizations: 75
Founded: 1986
LFA membership year: 1996

Programs Spunoff

Since its inception, organizations or programs spun off to be freestanding programs either on their own or within other organizations:
Number: 6
Name: STREETS, Neighborhood Housing Opportunities, Christ Community Health Services, Hope Foundation, Memphis Athletic Ministries and Youth Visions.



Program Synopsis

Economic Opportunities

Provide "hard to place" individual with employment, personal attention, and intensive care in an evangelical context. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 133 people

For the Kingdom Camp

Provide a safe, fun, challenging camping environment for evangelism, discipleship, character building, and recreation for inner city youth from Memphis. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 2100 people

Mediation & Restitution/Reconciliation Services

Christian volunteer mediators counsel juvenile offenders and their victims so a restitution and/or reconciliation agreement can be made. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 325 people

Memphis Center for Urban Theological Studies

Offers theological education to urban church leaders leading to a Bachelor Degree. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 101 people

Multinational Ministries

Proclaiming Jesus Christ in mid-town Memphis to refugees and immigrants, reaching out to youth, and sponsoring English classes. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 425 people

Red Zone Ministries

Outreach club, Bible study, internships and educational assistance. The "Red Zone" is the age where adolescents have to make critical decisions that affect the rest of their lives. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 1000 people

Memphis Athletic Ministries

Facilitate structured athletic programming used to share and model Christ to urban, at-risk young people and to foster unity among diverse segments of our community. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 13,000 people

Urban Youth Initiative

Recruit, train, resource and deploy youth workers to work with young people in their own environment. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 12,000 people

Neighborhood Housing Opportunities

NHO seeks to serve low to moderate income families by providing counseling and assistance in preparing for homeownership and helping people with a variety of housing issues, including loss mitigation.

People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 137 people

Neighborhood Housing Opportunities Management

Property management program to acquire, build and renovate sub-standard rental housing; minister to residence living in these homes and apartment complex.

People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 125 people

Cooperative Computer Ministry

Train urban youth and ministries in computer ministry

People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 350 people

Christ Community Health Services

Provide quality health care in the inner city. Bringing healing to the body and soul in hurting communities.

People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 33,000 people

Repairing the Breach

Provides programs to enlighten, empower and equip unchurched youth in the Alcy/Ball Community spiritually, socially and academically to become productive citizens of society. 1,200 people

Refugee Empowerment Program

Exists to address the unique needs and concerns of the refugee population of Memphis, Tennessee through empowerment programs such as; tutoring, adult literacy, cultural adjustment, citizenship preparation classes, health services coordination, student advocacy, and job advocacy. People served in the past fiscal year: 350 people.

STREETS

Outreach and discipleship ministry for youth living in the Foote and Cleaborn Homes Housing communities in Downtown Memphis. People served in the past fiscal year: 2231 people.

Youth Visions

Youth Visions provides a safe, learning environment for urban youth in the Frayser community ages 9-18 that creates opportunities for these youth to engage in many programs that will make a difference in their lives.

People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 400 people

Victims to Victory

Counseling, support, and advocacy for victims of violent crime and families grieving the loss of loved ones from homicide. People/Organizations served in the current fiscal year: 580 people