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2019 ANNUAL REPORT



COMPASSION CONNECT
uniting to serve



Dive in to discover the impact you made!



MISSION & VISION

Compassion Connect's mission is to bring churches together to serve their neighbors.

Our vision is churches and individuals everywhere choosing:

UNITY OVER DIVISION & COMPASSION OVER COMPLACENCY

*Special thanks to Ken Powell for capturing so many of the beautiful photos in this report!



2019 REFLECTIONS

Dear Friends & Co-Laborers,

Do you ever think about what you bring to your present moments and relationships? Too often we anxiously focus on remembering the past or predicting the future. What about the present? Every past and every future have a present opportunity. These words from the Apostle Paul inspire me to reflect a lifestyle in the present:

"So keep your thoughts continually fixed on all that is authentic and real, honorable and admirable, beautiful and respectful, pure and holy, merciful and kind. And fasten your thoughts on every glorious work of God, praising him always."

In this past year we saw moments of grace from Portland to Phoenix, from Minnesota to India, from Tacoma to Idaho. Thousands of volunteers and donors have sacrificed to reflect mercy in their neighborhoods. Thousands have reflected the kindness of Jesus in their moments and with their neighbors.

It's worth celebrating the vast array of moments we all participated in; moments of reflecting the God of justice, love, mercy, and truth. A world hungry for a better way is drawn to your life when you live sacrificially (volunteering, donating, leading, sharing). No matter how seemingly insignificant you thought those moments were, they did in some way contribute to changing a life.

If you are reading this it means that in some way you lived these moments throughout 2019. You acted justly, loved mercy, and walked humbly with God. My friends, that life never gets old or void of authentic meaning in a world of animosity, confusion, and pride.

My invitation is to continually fix your heart and mind on the God who loves you profoundly. Take the next step in 2020. Continue serving, partnering, and voicing the mission of unity and compassion. It is our joy to walk that journey alongside you.

With great respect,

MILAN HOMOLA
Co-Founder &
Executive Director



AS ONE PASTOR PUT IT, "COLLABORATING WITH OTHER CHURCHES WILL COST US SOMETHING: EFFICIENCY, PRIDE, CHALLENGES TO PHILOSOPHY OF MINISTRY--BUT IT COSTS US MUCH MORE NOT TO COLLABORATE BECAUSE WE MISS OUT ON DISPLAYING THE GOSPEL OF RECONCILIATION THROUGH A RECONCILED COMMUNITY."

THE FULL PICTURE: CELEBRATING YOUR COMPASSION IN 2019!

5,385 **3,513** **191**

of People
Served

of Volunteers
Serving

of Churches
Uniting



Unique communities across the country and world who are using a Compassion Connect service model to love their neighbors!



As I was chatting with one [Compassion Clinic] guest, she began to sob. She went on to tell me how happy she was that she had just been fitted for glasses. She said for the first time in her life she would be able to see her grandchildren's faces clearly."

-Regina, Compassion Clinic Volunteer-

"What I like best about the Design Studio is the respectful mentors and nice students and how caring they are."

-Adorned In Grace Design Studio Attendee-



TOTAL VALUE OF IMPACT
\$3.3 MILLION



In 2019, churches from 26 communities in 4 states and 2 countries came together to serve their neighborhoods through our community health and anti-trafficking service models. That represents 3,513 people putting their faith in action and loving their neighbors as Jesus would!

CHURCHES UNITING TO PROVIDE HEALTH & HOPE

Our 2019 data shows that 88% of Compassion Clinic guests face at least one barrier to accessing important health services. It has also shown that the affluence of an area does not mean that the need is not there -it is often just hidden.

Many individuals and families are just one unfortunate incident away from having to decide between paying bills and tending to a pressing health concern. Not only did your support help provide physical services such as dental,

medical, chiropractic, and vision, but you also gave out thousands of meals, prayers, conversations, connections, and other demonstrations of Jesus' love!

Your generosity in 2019 made it possible for a new Compassion Clinic to launch in Beaverton, and for churches in 15 neighborhoods to collaboratively provide health care to 4,486 people in 4 states and two countries.

Thank you for showing up for communities in this powerful way!



A CLINIC GUEST'S EXPERIENCE

"It was the kindness of everybody here that really put me at ease. You can genuinely tell the people who come to help are enthusiastic and genuinely want to help you, make you feel comfortable, and know that this is something that they are happy to do. And what a blessing when you do not have dental insurance to be able to come in and get your teeth taken care of. I think this is one of the most wonderful things this community offers." -Terri, Clinic Guest-



A HEALTH CLINIC HOSTED BY LOCAL CHURCHES IS ABOUT SO MUCH MORE THAN TAKING BLOOD PRESSURE AND PULLING TEETH

CHURCHES PROVIDING HEALTH - 2019 REPORT

4,486 **2,861** **133**

of Guests
Served

of Volunteers
Serving

of Churches
Uniting

15 COMMUNITIES uniting in
4 STATES and **2** COUNTRIES
to host **34** COMPASSION CLINICS

61%

Of clinic guests
indicated they do not
have health insurance

36%

Of guests could not
access care because of
worries about cost

11%

Of guests could not
access care because they
didn't know where to go

“

I arrived at one o'clock in the morning and the service I've gotten--excellent. I couldn't ask for anything more. I got my teeth pulled, my teeth cleaned, and God answered my prayers because that's what I prayed for.” -Clinic Guest



TOTAL COMPASSION
CLINIC IMPACT

\$769,392



“The quarterly clinics on our campus have provided an avenue for our people to volunteer, serve, partner with other churches and bring the love of Jesus to the homeless in our area in a tangible and effective way. They have become a key part of our ministry and a key way people grow in their love for God and the world He died for. They have also demonstrated to the people of Parkrose and Portland how churches can come together to make an impact on the real needs of the community.”

-Pastor Tom Schiave, Gateway Church-



HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION BEGINS WITH SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS A RELATIONSHIP

UNITING THE CHURCH TO TAKE A STAND AGAINST SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

Our work has shown us that the Church and its people have an incredible opportunity to prevent human trafficking by mentoring youth who are often targeted by predators. Some factors that may put youth in harm's way for exploitation are poverty, foster care status, abuse, homelessness, and immigrant or refugee status.

The population of young people served by Adorned In Grace Design Studios faces these challenges and more, and it is our privilege to equip mentors from local churches to create safe spaces for girls and boys to build healthy relationships, learn the

warning signs of trafficking, and gain personal safety and life skills. We have seen how this loving investment in youth helps empower them to believe in themselves and become advocates for others.

In 2019 your generosity helped sustain our work with current Design Studios and add three new Oregon locations: Beaverton, Milwaukie, and Oregon City! We believe that like Compassion Clinics, Design Studios are a model that can be used by churches anywhere to prevent trafficking and serve youth, and we are excited to see them continue to grow in 2020!

MY DESIGN STUDIO EXPERIENCE

"The Design Studio really opens a door for these girls to break the cycle that they were born into. They no longer have to live the life that they thought they were destined to. In the Design Studio with my mentors I learned what love looked like...and I know that these girls are getting these seeds planted in them." -Andrea-



Photo: A bride to be finds her dream dress at our Adorned In Grace Bridal Shop in Portland. Our two other shops are located in Gresham, OR and Lakewood, WA. All our bridal shops help raise awareness and funds to fight trafficking!



“Mentoring has taught me to look past people when they are awful to you and try to figure out what is going on underneath, to see what hidden hurts are coming out in mixed up emotions. My mentee has taught me how to have more patience with everyone I come across. Somehow in my trying to be a mentor to someone I really don’t understand, she has actually taught me so much more.” -Amber, Design Studio Mentor-

CHURCHES FIGHTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING- 2019 REPORT

187

Volunteers uniting to fight trafficking

50

Churches uniting to fight trafficking

222

Youth served through mentoring & outreach events

DESIGN STUDIO LOCATIONS 2019



OREGON

SE Pdx, Clackamas, Milwaukie, Beaverton, OR City



ARIZONA

San Tan Valley



WASHINGTON

Tacoma

95%

Design Studio participants who agreed that “I feel I can trust the adults at the Design Studio.”

100%

Design Studio mentors who agree that “Volunteering at the Design Studio is an effective way for me to put my faith in action.”

\$252,805

Funds raised by the 3 Adorned In Grace Bridal Shops for awareness, prevention, and restoration (survivor) work. (*Includes both sales and cash donations.)

THE COMPASSION NETWORK CHURCHES UNITING TO SERVE AROUND THE NATION & WORLD

In 2019 we launched an initiative called The Compassion Network to inspire, equip, and unite more churches and individuals to serve their communities and put their faith in action. Last year we focused on growth in Oregon, Arizona, Washington, and Minnesota. We are thrilled to report that 2019 was a year of favor and team building across the country! For more information about the Compassion Network, please visit us at www.compassionconnect.com/network



INDIA

In August of 2019 we returned to India with donated equipment from Oregon dental company DCI. This equipment was gifted to local leaders, who are now operating their own Compassion Clinics in rural southern India! We were also able to invite leaders from other parts of the country to participate in a leadership conference and tour the Clinic. They left inspired and eager to partner together so that the Church in India can collaborate to love their neighbors well!



1,200 SERVED



3,000
VOLUNTEER
HOURS



5 LOCAL CHURCHES



75 TOTAL
VOLUNTEERS



WASHINGTON

Our volunteer leaders in Tacoma had a strong year as they continued operating an Adorned In Grace Bridal Shop and a powerful ministry to women coming out of trafficking and other painful situations. They are building a strong leadership team and are preparing to become an epicenter and launch a possible Compassion Clinic in 2020!

19,588 VOLUNTEER HOURS // 258 INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES SERVED



ARIZONA

In 2019 our Arizona epicenter developed their core leadership and continued running a successful Design Studio, Compassion Care Center, and multiple Compassion Clinics. Their strides in quality are gaining them respect in the SE Phoenix metro area.

735 VOLUNTEERS // 1,083 INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES SERVED



MINNESOTA

Executive Director Milan Homola has taken the opportunity to share compassion with churches in his new home state of Minnesota! In 2019 he helped facilitate a gathering of leaders in the anti-trafficking field. A team from a local church also took a "vision trip" to Portland and were inspired by our collaborative models. They are currently building a team in Minneapolis to consider leading a Compassion Clinic. We are excited to see what 2020 will bring for churches in the Midwest!

CONTINUE YOUR JOURNEY



PRAY

We couldn't do this work without the amazing people who join us in praying for increased compassion and unity in neighborhoods everywhere. Interested in joining our prayer team? Email prayer@compassionconnect.com and/or visit us online on our website: [compassionconnect.com/take-action to download our free prayer guides!](http://compassionconnect.com/take-action-to-download-our-free-prayer-guides!)



SHARE

We invite you to follow the journey of unity and compassion on Facebook ([CompassionPDX](https://www.facebook.com/CompassionPDX)), and/or Instagram ([@compassionconnect](https://www.instagram.com/compassionconnect)). Another great place for shareable resources about our mission is our Youtube page, www.youtube.com/user/UnitingToServe



GIVE

We are a small team that relies on the incredible power of volunteers to do a lot with a little so your gifts make the biggest impact possible! We are also excited to announce that now through March 15 anyone who signs up to become a **new monthly donor** will receive a special limited time gift -a travel blanket with the Compassion Connect logo! To explore your giving options, please visit us on our website at www.compassionconnect.com/donate



LEARN

Our website, www.compassionconnect.com, is a great place to learn more. While you're there, check out our blog for inspiring stories and educational articles! We also offer tours of our Compassion Clinics and Design Studios and would love to show you around!

To schedule a tour, email us at serve@compassionconnect.com



WHAT'S AHEAD IN 2020

Want to stay updated on the latest in 2020? We invite you to grow in your journey of purposeful compassion by receiving stories, encouragement, and other service opportunities right to your inbox!

To sign up for our monthly newsletter, go to www.compassionconnect.com and click on "Newsletter"

"There is no Lutheran, Baptist or Church of Christ as we serve together. It is outside the walls of the worship service and in [Compassion] Clinics like this that the world will know Jesus is God's son."

-Brian Farris, Clinic Volunteer Leader-



SERVE

Every year thousands of volunteers selflessly give their time and skills to serve their neighbors with us. Whether you're interested in health, fighting trafficking, back office work, or not sure where to start, we want to help plug you in where your skills are being used to make a difference and share Jesus' love! For a **list of our volunteer roles and internships**, visit compassionconnect.com/volunteer



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To sign up as a new monthly donor and receive your free gift, use the enclosed envelope or visit us online at compassionconnect.com/monthly!

COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

2019 FINANCIALS



\$1.00 = \$6.71

For every dollar contributed by an individual donor, **\$6.71** in community impact was produced through the multiplication power of volunteerism and other goodwill contributions. This number reflects direct services provided as well as key volunteer hours required to provide those services.



54,005

Total 2019
Volunteer Hours



\$3.3 Million

Total Value of
2019 Impact

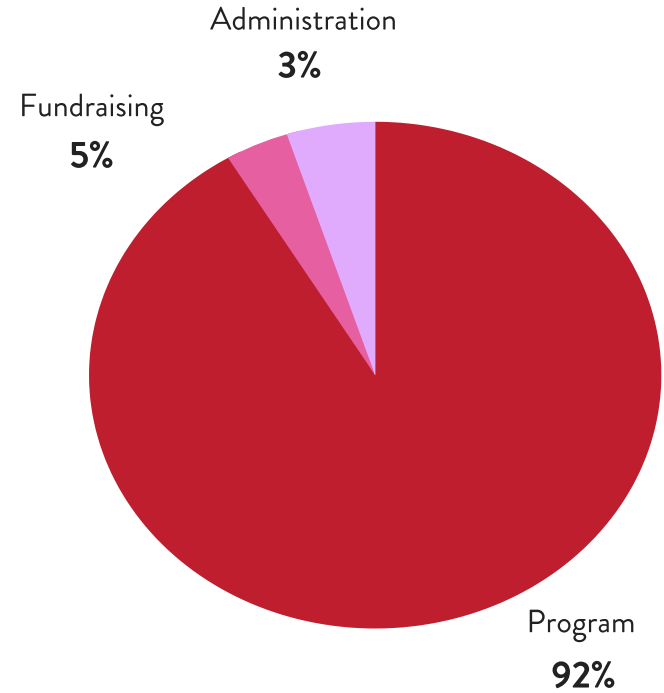
"THE WORK OF COMPASSION CONNECT IS MORE IMPORTANT AND RELEVANT THAN EVER. AS WE SEE DIVISION GROW EVERYWHERE, THIS IS A VERY TANGIBLE EXPRESSION OF JESUS' LOVE TO OTHERS."

-Cindy, Donor-

"WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE FOUND A WAY FOR US TO GIVE AND REALLY BELIEVE IT IS IMPACTING LIVES. THANK YOU FOR GIVING US THAT OPPORTUNITY."

-Anonymous Donor-

2019 EXPENSE RATIOS



2019 INCOME SOURCES

