## The R.E.D.E.E.M. Community Development Corporation (An affiliate of the First Baptist Church of Deanwood)

## 2022 Annual Report

## In 2022, God blessed us with many key accomplishments, several are as follows:

- 1. Established a website theredeemcdc.org to display our mission, initiatives, and events, which included access to online credit card donations.
- 2. Held a fundraising webinar to identify strategies and launched a Double Good Popcorn fundraiser, along with online donations, and Board member pledges raised over \$3K.
- 3. The Outreach Center continued its outstanding work serving over 300 families, on Saturdays with 1,000s of pounds of food provided from multiple sources.
- 4. Pride's Joy Garden received donations of supplies from Ace Hardware and other individuals.
- 5. Two new Board of Directors were added to expand membership capacity.
- 6. Part of the Ward 7 & 8 community CARE-a-van event with pop-up table at the Outreach Center.
- 7. Issued a fall newsletter to reflect progress on several key initiatives.
- 8. Received from Enterprise a \$45K grant towards the proposed affordable housing project.
- 9. Engaged a Development Consultant to manage the selection of the Development Partner, an Accountant firm to prepare a financial controls document, and a pro bono Attorney to revise corporate documents to avoid Church risks related to the proposed affordable housing project.
- 10. Met with the Office of Planning for an update on the proposed affordable housing project rezoning actions and received significant support.
- 11. Issued Enterprise activity reports in 6-week intervals, as part of the Cohort training to reflect progress on the affordable housing project.
- 12. The application for the public alley closing between two of the sites proceeded and approvals from several agencies and the ANC were received.
- 13. Held a special Church meeting to explain the benefits of the revised documents and the Church approved to proceed with the required written consent to file with DC government.
- 14. Issued 7-request for proposals to potential Development Partners for the affordable housing project.

## **2023 Major Goals and Objectives**

- 1. Select the best Development Partner by March/April to support the vision and priorities for the proposed affordable housing project.
- 2. Sponsor a signature event to celebrate the 20-year anniversary of the Outreach Center and REDEEM with a fundraising goal of \$10K to support continued success.
- 3. Continue Nonprofit Board development to include member recruitment, organizational capacity building, and training.
- 4. Identify additional grant opportunities that support the proposed Affordable Housing project and other mission related initiatives.