

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

2023 Annual Report

In 2023, God blessed us with many key accomplishments, several are as follows:

1. Finalized a Financial Management Policies and Procedures document to identify accounting methods and standards.
2. Had a featured article on community service in the February edition of East Capitol Neighbors, as part of its Charity Spotlight.
3. Held a fundraiser launched by a Double Good Popcorn event, along with additional donations raised over \$8K.
4. Continued outstanding work at the Outreach Center by serving over 700 adults and children, with 1,000s of pounds of food from multiple sources, and the Compost program for kitchen scraps had over 600 deposits and collected approximately 7,000 pounds, all on Saturdays.
5. Selected by WOL1450 radio to be interviewed to discuss the Outreach Center's contribution to the neighborhood.
6. Received affordable housing project proposal from a possible developer partner, and began negotiations, however, they decided not to proceed due to issues with high rent delinquencies in DC. Afterwards, we issued 2 separate request for proposals for the 2 proposed sites, one for Site 1, 44th Street, as a property sale to build the proposed duplex units, and for Site 2, on Sheriff Road and 45h Place, as a ground lease to build the proposed 45 unit apartment building.
7. Received final approvals to close the public alley between the two paved lots, now being reviewed by DC Council, and awaits a public hearing to complete the process.

2024 Major Goals and Objectives

1. Select the best developer partner for Sites 1 and 2 to support the proposed affordable housing project.
2. Identify additional grant opportunities that support mission related initiatives.
3. Hold a signature event to celebrate the 20-year anniversary - Outreach Center and REDEEM.
4. Recruit new Board members to support organizational capacity building, and new outreach programs.