



NEIGHBORS
along the line

2016 ANNUAL
REPORT

LETTER FROM THE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

“Only when it is dark enough, can you see the stars.”

America was indeed facing dark days when Martin Luther King Jr. wrote those words, but he understood that the best way to move past the darkness is to create light, to use hope to illuminate the path toward a better future. As a nation, our challenges have evolved since King delivered those immortal words, but I believe the solution to today’s problems remains the same as it was then. That is why Neighbors Along the Line continues to share hope and bring light to Northwest Tulsa.

Some of the challenges we face in Oklahoma, at times, seem insurmountable. Cuts to both state and national budgets have compounded our existing struggles with health care, literacy levels and hunger. But together, we have and will continue to confront and help heal these struggles. We will continue to share our hope and light.

Our goal is to empower our community to be healthy, self-sufficient, productive and empowered. To do this, we work to provide both the basic needs of now and the educational foundation for a self-sustaining tomorrow. This report celebrates some of our accomplishments made in honor of that goal, throughout 2016. I have no doubt, that with your assistance, we will continue to find new and better ways to support those in need of our help.

All of this would be impossible without the help of our partners, donors and volunteers. Words fail to express how much you have given to help us make the world a little lighter, and I cannot thank you enough. You are truly our stars, shining through the darkness. Every day, I am rejuvenated and inspired by your generous spirits, and as I look back on the past year and the things we have done together, I cannot wait to see what we will accomplish in the coming year.

“With your help, we are transforming that tiny light into a lighthouse, a beacon of hope amidst the dark.”

40 years ago, this organization began in order to provide relief to a mother in dire need of help. A tiny light was lit, and a life was changed. With your help, we are transforming that tiny light into a lighthouse, a beacon of hope amidst the dark.



Shannon Chambers
Executive Director



Neighbors has been an integral part of the Northwest Tulsa community for almost 40 years as a direct service organization, and we plan to continue the legacy of enhancing the quality of life of the families we serve.

QUICK FACTS:

FOOD PANTRY

	POUNDS OF FOOD	MEALS PROVIDED
2008	54,854	69,594
2009	56,873	95,550
2010	57,831	92,694
2011	58,977	98,064
2012	63,372	111,195
2013	65,547	113,925
2014	68,045	116,760
2015	69,196	117,285



Distributed over
580,000 LBS.
(290 tons) of food from 2008–2016



NATL provided enough food to prepare just under
1 MILLION MEALS



Meals provided
INCREASED 84%
in the last 9 years, an average increase of 9.3% per year



128,100
Meals Provided
84,854
Lbs. of Food



Over
6,000 PEOPLE
served in 2016



“The food pantry has been wonderful, because when I run short on groceries between paydays it’s marvelous that I can come to Neighbors for food. It’s helped us keep food on the table, and it’s good to know that I can always come down...”

— Doris Rardin (Client)

QUICK FACTS:

HEALTH & WELLNESS CLINIC

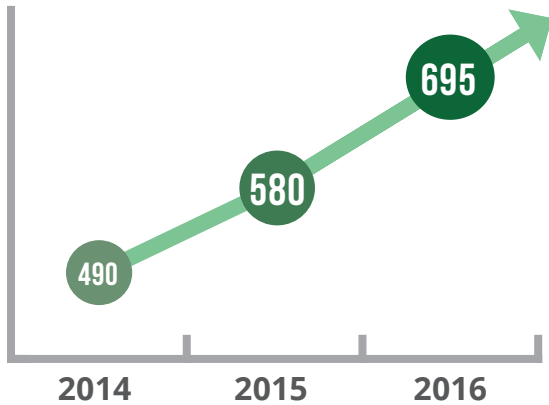


Oklahoma ranks third in the nation for its percent of **uninsured citizens**.

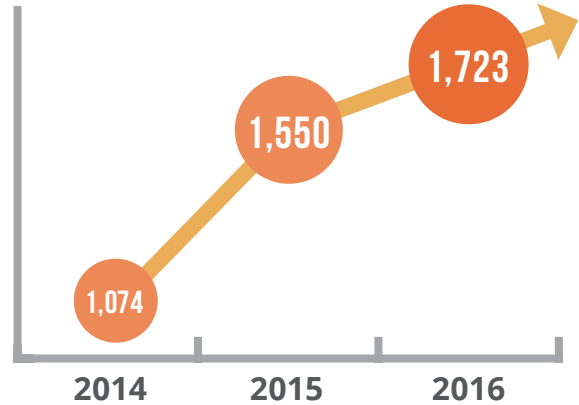


Nearly **one in seven** Oklahomans is uninsured.

Total medical & dental **patients seen** over the last 3 years



Total medical & dental **services provided** over the last 3 years



Our clinics provide care to **primarily uninsured patients**. Cost value delivered over the last 3 years is estimated to be over a **half-million dollars**.



“ Sometimes it’s hard to ask for assistance, but at Neighbors I’ve always felt welcomed. They have been there many times to help me and my family.”

— **Lori Bernard** (Client)

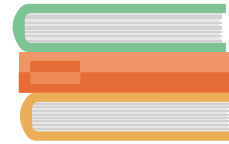
QUICK FACTS:

LITERACY & DEVELOPMENT

Every year nearly **1.2 million students** drop out of High School, costing the nation over \$337 billion in lost lifetime earnings.



In 2016 Neighbors became an official testing center. A total of 67 students received their diplomas through the NATL program in 2016. The number of graduates in our program quadrupled when compared to 2015.



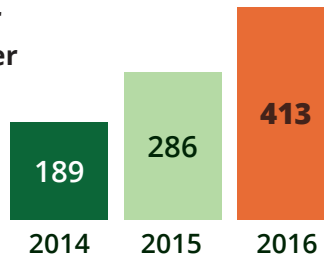
630 clients

used literacy lab for over **4,500 hours** for developmental and educational purposes.

Our Literacy Lab usage increased 5% from 2015 to 2016. This growth was driven by the expansion of our GED program with the introduction of a classroom-based learning, improved online classroom, and on-site High School Equivalency testing.

The number of student visits in our After School Tutoring Programs over the last 3 years.

40% average increase since 2014.



Partnerships with **Tulsa Regional S.T.E.M. Alliance, Junior Achievement, Youth at Heart, Mark Twain & Chouteau Elementary schools** allowed us to assist additional students in 2016.



“ The GED program at Neighbors Along the Line was one of the greatest things they could offer. I was having trouble coming up with the money (to take the GED) and my brother suggested Neighbors Along the Line. They put me in the scholarship program which funded the cost of the test. If it wasn't for Neighbors, I wouldn't have even thought about going to college...but this has lifted my spirits to where I feel like I can achieve anything...”

— **Gene McIntosh** (GED Graduate)



Additionally, we continue offering enrichment programs like Budgeting Courses, Senior Art program and community events to promote unity.

Our partnerships with other agencies include:

501Technet

The Arts and Humanities
Council of Tulsa

Charles Page
Neighborhood
Association

Legal Aid

Workforce Tulsa

Narcotics Anonymous

The Salvation Army

Tulsa County
Court Services

The Tulsa County
Health Department

Oklahoma Dental
Foundation

John Knox Presbyterian

Mark Twain &
Chouteau Elementary

Central High School

Youth at Heart

Union Schools

OSU Center for
Health Sciences

Other local groups

These programs provide over
12,000 services each year.

**Over 130,000 individual
services provided in 2016.**

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“ This is the place to come to when you’re ready to get your GED. My experience with Neighbors Along the Line was very welcoming. I’m really in a different place in life because of my time at Neighbors. Every time I needed help there was always someone to assist me (with GED preparation). I got the support I needed to finish the program in two months. I felt built up and like a totally different person (even) to this day...”

— Sabrina Mota (GED Graduate)

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“ We’ve had a few patients whose health has been hugely impacted when they’ve come here... We have patients who come back regularly because they look to us as their primary care team. I feel being able to be a stable care giver for our (uninsured) patients in which they know they can rely on us, is where we are having the biggest impact in the community.”

— **Rebecca Bonsall** (Clinic Volunteer)

VOLUNTEERS



BEACON OF LIGHT VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR — BETH DEWITT

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Alexander, Jacob
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Harkreader, Mary Kate
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Holder, Steven
Holland, Imani S
Holloway, Megan
Holloway, Trey
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Hughes, James
Hughes, Kimberlee K
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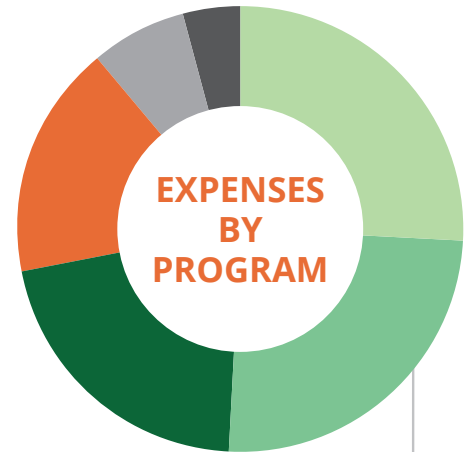
TOTAL HOURS
2,391

FINANCIAL



59% Foundations	\$178,400
12% Other	\$37,755
12% Individual	\$36,901
12% Event Fundraising	\$34,752
5% Corp	\$15,743

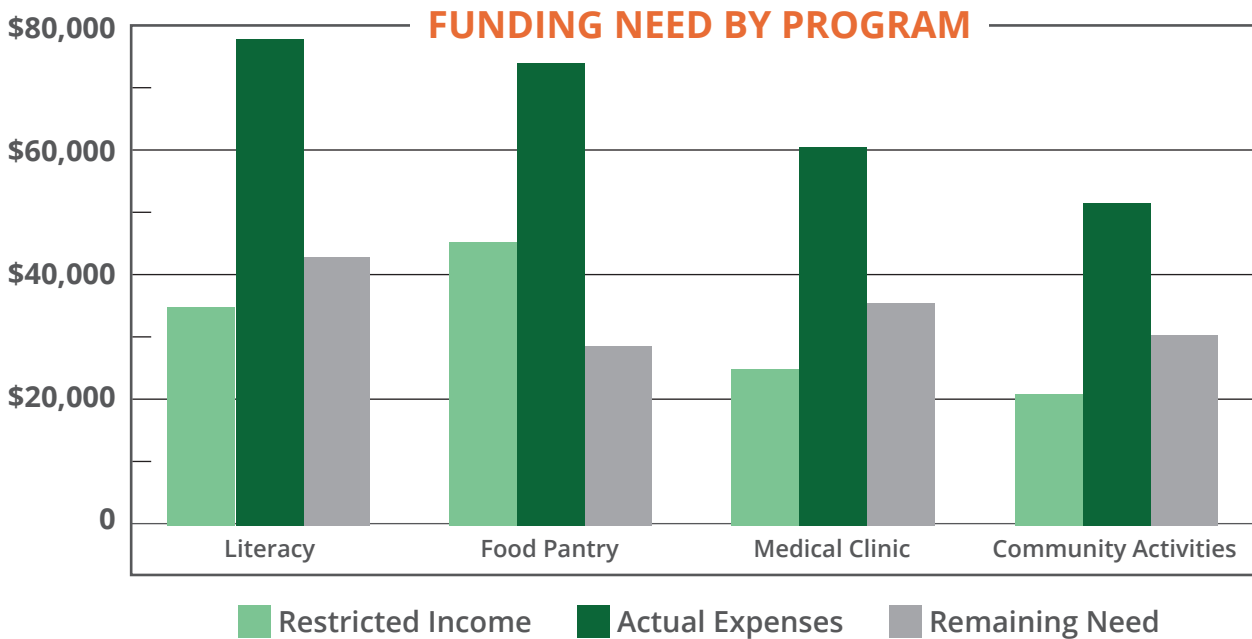
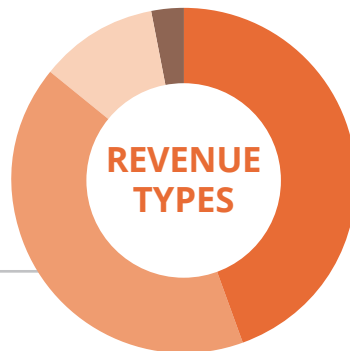
\$303,551



26% Literacy	\$78,156
25% Food Pantry	\$74,334
21% Medical Clinic	\$60,796
17% Community Activities	\$51,812
7% Management & Gen.	\$21,618
4% Fundraising	\$12,131

\$298,847

44% Restricted Contributions
41% Unrestricted Contributions
11% Fundraising
3% In-Kind Donations



% OF RESIDENCE BELOW 200% OF POVERTY LINE

OKLAHOMA 38%	TULSA COUNTY 35%	NATL SERVICE AREA 56%
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