

# Annual Report 2015

## Growing – Evolving - Serving



North Dallas Shared Ministries™  
Life – Health – Education



Dental Administrator Rachel Cowley-Portillo instructs a young patient on proper brushing techniques.



Leadership Dallas Alumni brightened up our waiting room with fresh paint and colorful and informative wall graphics.

For 33 years now, the mission of **North Dallas Shared Ministries** has been to make our community better. When we see a need, we respond. And 2015 was no different. It was not a year of momentous change, but rather one in which we expanded and refined successful programs. Here are a few examples.

### Dental Clinic

Perhaps the program seeing the biggest change over the past few years has been our Dental Clinic. In 2010, we had 2 treatment rooms staffed by wonderful volunteers a total of 15 hours each month. In 2012, we completely remodeled and upgraded our Clinic to have 3 state-of-the-art treatment rooms. In 2014, we added a fourth treatment room and began our collaboration with **Texas A & M University Baylor College of Dentistry** to staff them 20 hours each week. In 2015, we expanded again. We now have 6 treatment rooms operating 42 hours each week. We've gone from treating 292 patients in 2010 to 3,411 in 2015 and expect that number to grow more than 20% in 2016.

### Food Programs

In 2015 we added to our food programs in significant ways. We still provide Friday Food Baskets to some 400 seniors living on fixed incomes. And we provided emergency food to some 3,532 unduplicated households – 69% of which only requested food once during the year. And we continue to provide food in bulk monthly to **Christ Foundry** to distribute to nearly 70 families we've prequalified.

In 2015 we began exploring more effective food distribution options. As a result, since the beginning of this year we've been providing food in bulk to **Genesis Shelter's Annie's House Transitional Shelter** where up to 18 families may live rent free for a year after escaping an abuser. We are also teaming with **Tasby Middle School** to provide healthy food for weekend meals that 25 students can take home each Friday.

### Medical Clinic

In 2014 we began depression screening for patients 14 and older, and in 2015 we began offering the opportunity for individual counseling by a licensed Master Social Worker who is a full-time NDSM volunteer. In 2016, we have expanded this successful effort by adding two additional counselors and group counseling sessions.

"When I visit with people making contributions to "iffy" charities, I always tell them the very best way to donate money and take care of those in need is through NDSM."

*Covenant Congregation Member*





Friday Food Basket participants gather around one individual's groceries for the week.



Volunteers Pat Pritchard (left) and Maria Richard (right) pause while re-stocking shelves in the warehouse/food pantry.

Through a grant from **The Discovery Foundation**, we were able to purchase the equipment and receive the training so we can now offer colposcopy to those who need it. (Colposcopy is the follow up for women with an abnormal pap result.) In 2015 we also received a "Mission and Ministry" grant from the **Daughters of Charity** to purchase a new EKG/respiratory machine to more precisely evaluate certain conditions.

UT Southwestern second year medical students have organized and managed our Monday night Clinic for adults for the last 8 years. To help them maintain their interest in community medicine, we partially fund their attendance at a national student conference. In memory of Nancy Volk, our first Clinic Director, we sent five of our 2015 students to the Society of Student-Run Free Clinics Conference in Phoenix, Arizona.

While we've highlighted certain programs here, we remain committed to all our efforts to improve the lives of those in our community who are struggling to survive, to grow and to prosper. Specific programs are identified in the financial charts at the end of this report. The full scope of our services can be found at [www.ndsm.org](http://www.ndsm.org)

Our mission would not be possible without all the support we receive from volunteers, our covenant congregations, donors, benefactors, government agencies and non-profit partners. Thanks to each and every one of you. Your generosity fuels our desire to continue growing, evolving, serving in 2016 and beyond.

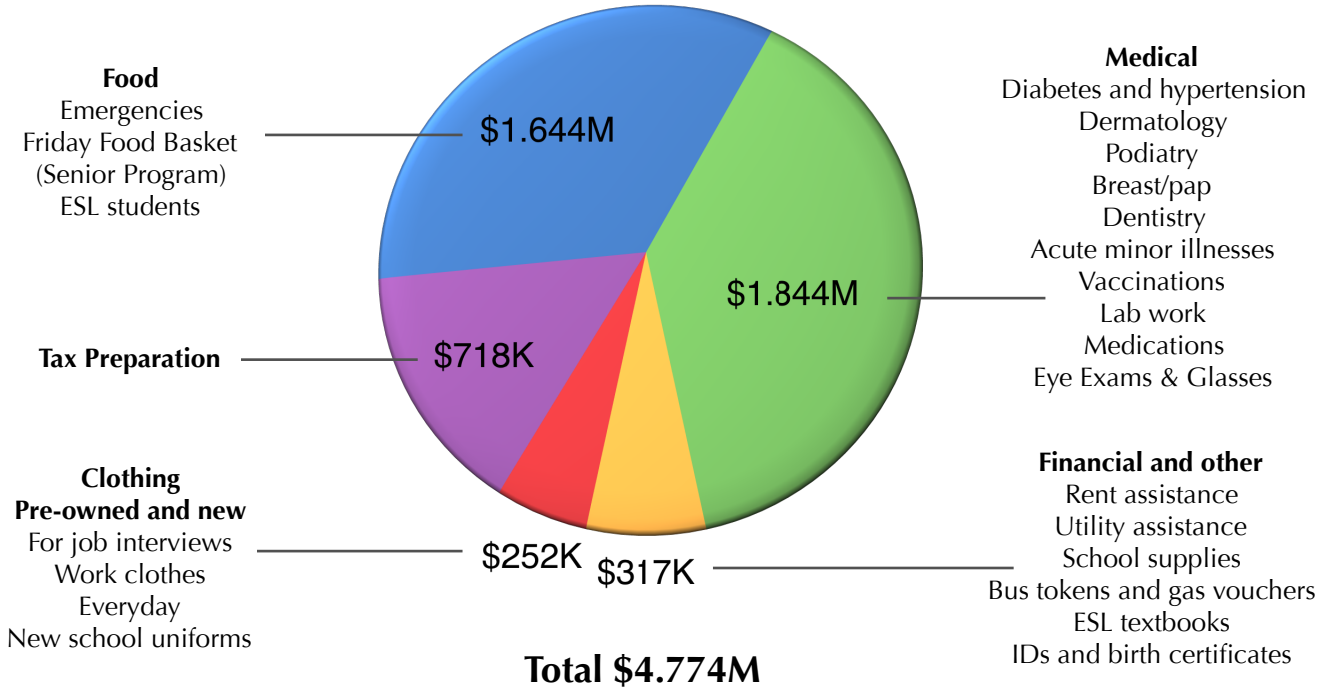
"I believe NDSM helps more people in need in our community, and does it more effectively, than the next three philanthropic organizations combined."

*Covenant Congregation Member*

Judy Rorrie/Executive Director

Leonard Riggs, M.D./Chairman of the Board

**2015  
How We Help\***



\*Retail value of goods and services

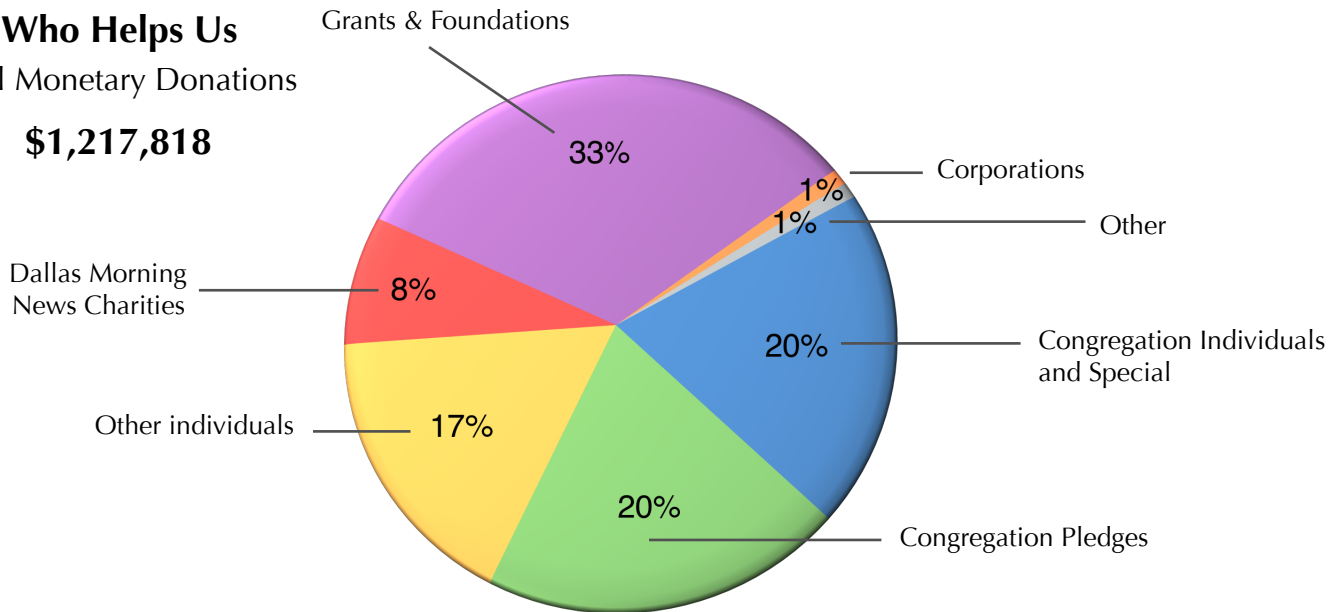
(Does not include \$ 413K rent assistance advanced at request of Dallas County Welfare to disabled clients with no household income, nor \$ 3.9M in refunds for clients identified during tax preparation.)

**2015**

**Who Helps Us**

Total Monetary Donations

**\$1,217,818**



In-kind donations – food, medical care & lab work, clothing, tax preparation - **\$ 4,023,020**  
 General and administrative expenses - \$ 252,221 – 4.8% of total support (\$ 5,240,828)