

THIS
can change
EVERYTHING

October 4-March 28



• THE •
COMMUNITY
• @ AFC •
CENTER •

VISION



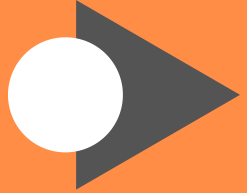
Our hope is that the community center will be a hub of enriching experiences for all. We plan to do this through developing trusting and collaborative relationships, connecting with other community organizations, offering diverse programming, sharing our space with other non-profits, helping to organize community projects, and ensuring that this work centers around those in the community that we will serve.

TRESSENA JONES

Director, The Community Center @ AFC

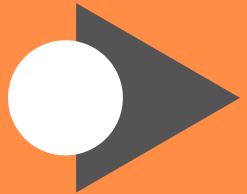
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THE NUMBERS



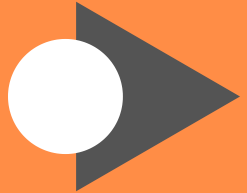
\$28,340

average household income



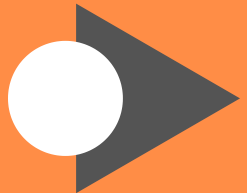
72.7%

individuals on public insurance coverage or have no coverage



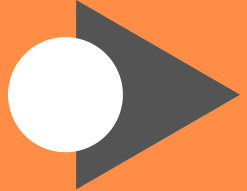
2.5%

graduate or professional degree



55.7%

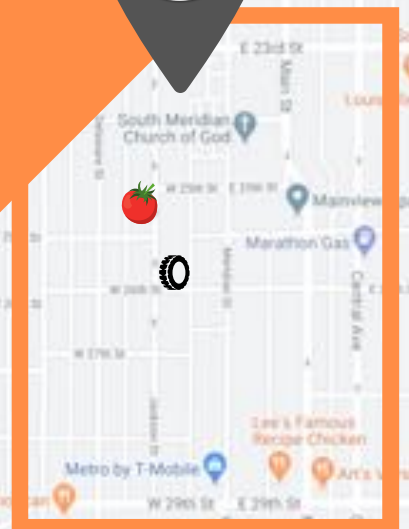
homes are renter occupied



25.4%

individuals with a disability

OUR GRID



COMMUNITY CENTER

PILLARS

Vision: To create a radically inclusive, just, and loving community mobilized to alleviate suffering and break the cycles of poverty and marginalization, all the while, encouraging growth of our relationships with each other.



gathering

Vision: Partnering with community businesses and community leaders to help empower our neighborhood by offering a variety of transformational classes, learning opportunities, and life skills.



education

Vision: Full restoration of our community through encouragement of one another, focusing on one vision, and living in peace with one another.



community

Vision: Creating an environment that builds a healthy community through education and meeting the needs of our neighbors.



health

Vision: We aim at being informed as we implement the best practices for each area of service we provide. We strive to use our resources to ensure the safest encounters for both the people we serve and those who will serve.

safety



BUILDING

what's the plan?



Our number one concern is health and safety. The Community Center will have UVC lighting installed in all areas to sanitize the facility. This is a timed system that disinfects automatically. This is the best known way to disinfect. Also included will be automatic doors, lights, and restroom fixtures. This will minimize the spreading of unwanted germs and help keep everyone healthy and safe!

FIRST IMPRESSIONS!

A current facelift will be made to the front of our current building. Handicap accessibility will also be greatly improved.

GATHERING TOGETHER!

This is a large open gathering space that will be used a multitude of ways! There will be enough space to offer classes that are both safe and functional. Also offered will be seating for families during the week who are using the playscape; computer stations for students of any age; COVID-19 safe coffee ministry through Land of a Thousand Hills; a Christian bookstore; and a state of the art worship area for youth and Spanish services. Restrooms equipped with showers will also be available. We are super excited to partner with Indiana Department of Child Services to offer respite care.

SOUP'S ON!

Phase 1 will include an industrial kitchen, as well as a teaching kitchen that will include 6 socially distanced teaching stations. The kitchen will include a walk-in freezer and walk-in cooler. These will be used for both food distribution and storage.

PLAYTIME!

This will be a huge indoor playscape area that will be open to the public all year round. It will provide a fun, safe environment for children in the community. The playscape will also include three rock wall experiences that can also be used for team building, etc. The play area will also include activities for younger children and also children with disabilities.

GREAT OUTDOORS!

The east wall of the building will have enormous glass industrial garage doors that will be open to a large patio area. This will allow the community to see all the exciting things happening inside as well as letting us have the option to expand the gathering area. There will also be a netted in basketball court!!



new ways to CONNECT



OPERATION CHILL

Having a walk-in cooler and freezer will allow us to minister to people in creative new ways, such as offering a Fresh Produce Pantry. This will be the first of its kind in Madison County.

An industrial kitchen will allow us to prepare large meals to serve both the community and church family. 6 kitchen stations will be used for teaching and certification. The current kitchen doesn't allow for ventilation access.

INDUSTRIAL SIZED



TWO FOLD PLAY

The huge play area will be the only one of its kind in Anderson and Madison County. Not only will it provide a safe place to play year round but allow parents to participate in classes. Income will generate from private party rental.

AFC has always been a mission focused church and the coffee shop will support the "Land of a Thousand Hills" coffee ministry that helps support the country of Rwanda. Drink coffee. Do good.

GLOBAL REACH



CLIMBING HIGH

Inside the playspace, there will be rock climbing walls for kids, youth and adults. The adult wall will be available for business and organizations to use for team building activities and will be the first in Madison County.

The bookstore inside the Community Center will be the only Christian bookstore in the area. Not only will books be available, but Christian gifts and apparel as well. What a great place to pick up a gift and support a local ministry at the same time.

IN DEMAND



LOVE OF GAME

With the Spanish and Youth Ministry using the Community Center for worship services, the gym will be available for sports activities, such as Upward Sports, for children in the community.

The large gathering space will be transitioned into a safe learning environment for students of all ages. Social distanced areas, mobile tech, disinfectant equipment, safety, and advanced technology will all be key parts to this space.

GET SMART



COMMUNITY GARDEN

This spring, AFC partnered with Community Hospital to create the Community Garden on Jackson St. Not only are fresh vegetables growing and being used, but new relationships are growing as well! What a blessing!

THE TIRE PARK

The Tire Park was constructed this summer and has already made an impact within our neighborhood. Kids and families are enjoying the park and several AFC events have taken place there. It is added beauty to Jackson Street.

PATHWAY TO HOPE

Pathway to Hope is a program that we partner with The Salvation Army. With Pathway to Hope, individuals are introduced to The Salvation Army and other services within the community. This network of support offers a sense of community, spiritual guidance, connections to job training, health services, childcare and education, housing options, and more.

HOLIDAY WITHOUT HUNGER

Holiday without Hunger is a program in its third year at AFC. This program happens during the month of November and not only provides families in our community the ingredients to prepare a Thanksgiving meal for their families, but also the guidance to do so. Our Thanksgiving 101 class provides a demonstrative approach to preparing the meal and resources needed to do so such as a can opener, turkey pan, turkey bag, spices, and recipe book. The highlight of the distribution night is being given the opportunity to meet and pray with each family that comes.

MADISON COUNTY WORK RELEASE & RE-ENTRY/AMP PROGRAM

The AFC Clothes Closet partners with the Work Release program to provide clothing to those leaving incarceration, with many only having the clothes on their back. What a blessing it is to serve and pray for these individuals as they navigate back into society and the workforce. Likewise, our partnership with AMP provides clothing for those completing training and entering the workforce. Never underestimate what clean clothes can do for someone without or in need of for an interview.

EZRA'S ESSENTIALS

From Pastor Joe's sermon series "Reclaim" in 2019, this ministry was founded. We learned in Ezra 8:21-23 that the treasure was protected. Three important things for us to remember:

- GUARDIANSHIP-It belongs to God. Ezra gave it over to God and called everyone to trust. Ezra took a huge step of faith and recognized that people are a treasure of God and are valuable. We all are treasures to Him!
- RESPONSIBILITY- we carry the images of Christ is with us. We are bearers of the treasure with unlimited possibilities. Possession always brings responsibility. Ezra didn't rely on the king but instead the King of kings!
- WATCH-God is ahead of us, He goes before us. We must be unslumbering and vigilant. We must be willing to be sparked! We must let Him use us to reach others. Jesus ministered in communities...so must we!

AFC handed out essential items all through the beginning of Covid-19 to those in need and now the Lord has blessed us with a partnership with Dollar General to help and reach even more! Be sparked!

- YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAM WITH CITY OF ANDERSON
- WELLNESS PROGRAMS WITH COMMUNITY AND ASCENSION HOSPITALS
- MAJOR FOOD DISTRIBUTION SITE
- JOB TRAINING/CERTIFICATION/RESUME ASSISTANCE
- TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE
- INSTRUCTIONAL AND HOBBY CLASSES
- PARTNER OF INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES
- SAFE INDOOR PLAY SPACE
- BOOKSTORE AND COFFEE SHOP
- FRESH PRODUCE PANTRY

an exciting

FUTURE

how will the community center be different?

With all that we have been through this year it has made us rethink details of the community center building. We want it to be a safe place for all and offer many multi-use options for us both now and down the road. Here are just a few of the things we are trying to be smart about:

- ▶ UVC light disinfection*
- ▶ air ventilation system
- ▶ automatic doors
- ▶ enhanced cleaning/disinfecting
- ▶ high efficiency bulbs
- ▶ state of the art WIFI & sound
- ▶ safe check-in system
- ▶ smart lighting
- ▶ virtual events

*this is a timed lighting system that disinfects automatically and is the best known way to disinfect!



SMART Thinking



DOLLAR GENERAL

LEE'S
Famous Recipe Chicken



**COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**

Community *farm*



Ascension



Madison County
Juvenile Probation



with PARTNERS

working together to make a difference...

The Community Center

LEADERSHIP

Team



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Director



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Caleb Fields



Crysti Luna



Brian Schnepf



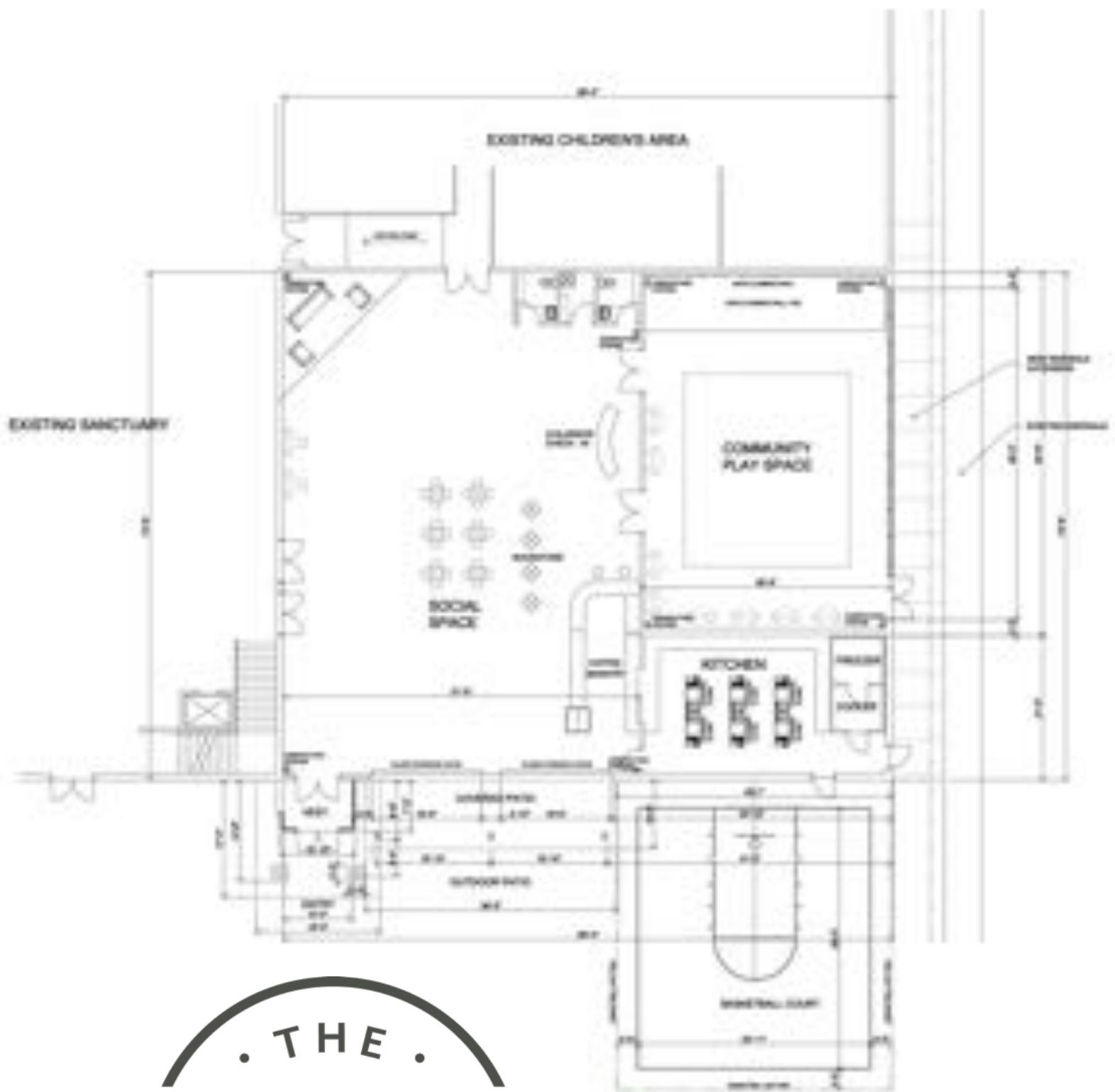
Amy Tescher

WHY

does
community matter?

- meeting needs
- coming together in unity
- selfless and other focused
- creating opportunities to gather
- build trust and relationships
- valuing opinions of others
- changing lives through service
- neighbors knowing each other
- providing social services
- bridging gaps in the community





The PRICE TAG

Community Center cash on hand \$707,150



total funds raised

\$850,120

- includes Pendleton property

\$550,000

total funds needed

\$449,880

to date spent

\$142,970

- Go Play Systems
- BGW
- Sproles

\$89,470

\$13,500

\$40,000



AFC, think about this...

YOU have raised \$300,120. Can you believe it? Let's double it! If we can do this during a pandemic, imagine what we can do through this capital campaign!!!

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my part in making the change...

name of change maker: _____

email: _____

☐ weekly amount: _____

☐ monthly amount: _____

☐ one time gift amount: _____

6 month commitment ● October 4-March 28

also available are namesake designations for the 3 large areas:

these are available for \$25,000

☐ gathering space

☐ playspace

☐ kitchen



**in addition, if we have someone give \$25,000
that donation will be matched by
Community Hospital, Anderson**