

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.