

MINISTRY REVIEW 2020-2021



2021: The Year of Gratitude

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is Good; His steadfast love endures forever.
Psalm 107 : 1

Celebrating 20 Years!

Over 20 years ago, Christian Women's Job Corps of Tyler began with a vision of helping unemployed women in Smith County secure and keep employment. CWJC was founded by Sandra Mitcham, a staff member at Green Acres Baptist Church. Mrs. Mitcham became aware of a national program through the Women's Mission Union and initiated a chapter of CWJC in Smith County. An Advisory Board was created with 7 members: Linda Lesniewski, Cathy Powell, Mona Smith, Carol Smith, Doris Sanders, Martha Adams and Dorothy Flournoy.

In 2001, CWJC of Tyler was incorporated as a nonprofit 501(c)3 and held its first class of six women. Since then, over 1,800 women have completed computer training and the employment readiness program!

The Board of Directors actively supports the goals of Christian Women's Job Corps. Several of the Board Members have been a part of CWJC for many years volunteering in other capacities and most continue to teach or assist in classes today. They have a true love for the mission and truly care that we continue the legacy established by founding members many years ago.

We strive to provide education that is relevant in today's job market and equip women with the ability to achieve their career goals. At heart, we are a ministry first and find great joy in seeing women grow in their faith and learn to trust in Him.

We are so grateful for the many people, churches and businesses who have made the last 20 years possible through funding and sharing their time and talents with us! God is smiling upon CWJC and His blessings are overflowing!



Our Mission:

Equipping Women with job skills and life skills in a Christ-centered environment

EQUIP

for employment

EMPOWER

with dignity
and hope

ENCOURAGE

with the love
of Jesus

From 2020 Graduate to 2021 Volunteer

VERONICA'S CWJC STORY

As a graduate of Christian Women's Job Corps, I can say it was an absolute blessing - from getting Bible study lessons to learning how to compose and present myself for an interview. However, I also gained something that could not be taught. It was something called confidence. Because of the impact that CWJC had on me, I knew in my heart that I wanted to be involved in this program. I desired to give back what was given to me. Jesus and His love being shown through these ladies who invested their time in me catapulted my desire to pour love towards others.

Coming into the parking lot at CWJC as a student was refreshing and great. However, pulling in as a Teacher Assistant knowing that Jesus and His love can flow through me as a vessel to the students who are now sitting in the very same spot that I was, feels incredible!

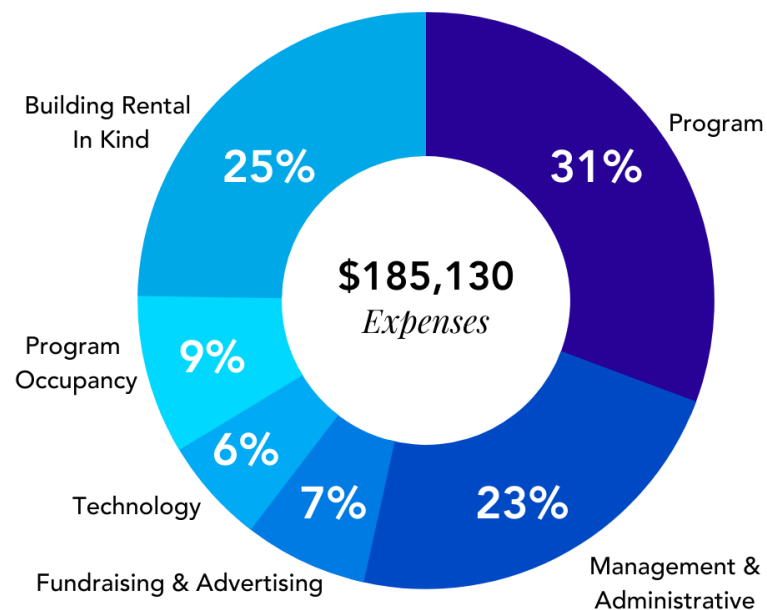
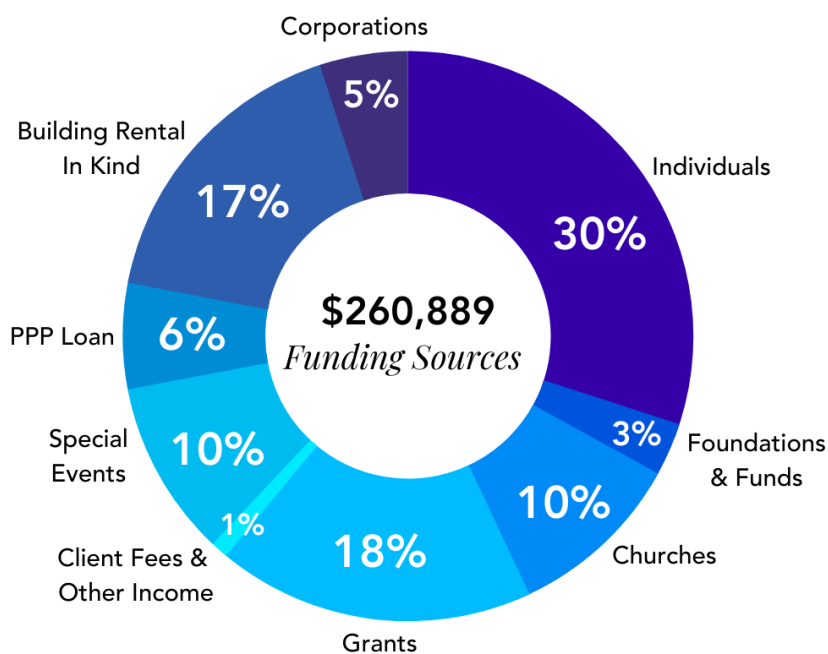
"Mixing the new-found confidence in the woman God made me and the love for what they have done for me, I knew that CWJC was where I wanted to place my time."



I come in ready and excited for these ladies knowing that they too will receive the incredible blessing as students. I love getting to share about Christ and reminding them of the qualities and talents that He has equipped them. Reminding them that they are His masterpiece fills my soul. Seeing them come in, empowering one another, hearing them speak and uplifting each other reminds me How good and wonderful our God is.

Simply stating that CWJC impacts the students and the volunteers is an understatement. It is an incredible feeling that one HAS to experience.

2020 Financial Information *At A Glance*



Board Members

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Pauletta Bonner, Board Chair
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Employment Readiness Program

CWJC's 12-week Employment Readiness Program is offered twice per year with sessions in the spring and fall. Our employment readiness program is available to women who are at least 18 years of age, have a high school diploma or GED and a desire to develop skills for employment. The purpose is to equip women, in a Christian context, for life and employment.

The all-inclusive curriculum includes training in the following areas:

- Bible Study
- Computer Navigation
- Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook
- Jobs for Life
- Boundaries
- Resume Writing
- Interview Preparation
- Communication
- Financial Management



In addition, participants receive mentoring and one-on-one employment coaching. This sets the stage for action and accountability with coaching follow-up. Area business leaders and HR representatives speak to our students during an Employer Round Table to give them a perspective "from the other side of the desk" of what employers are seeking in employees and during an interview. They also conduct mock interviews with the students. Mock interviews provide the participants with immediate feedback and practice which greatly improves their comfort and performance during an interview. Preparing for employment is the top priority and all of these things combined set up our students for successful careers. Students gain computer skills, self-confidence, purpose, direction and hope for their future through Jesus. With each passing week of our program, heads are held higher and smiles shine brighter. There is laughter, prayer and hugging in our hallways. Relationships are formed. Lives are impacted for eternity.

Become a Volunteer!

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With a two-person staff, we can only accomplish our mission thanks to a team of dedicated and talented volunteers. They happily share their time with Christian Women's Job Corps because the payoff is so easily seen in the success of the courageous women we serve. A visible transformation occurs when our students gain confidence and learn that they are worthy of all that God has created them to be!

We would love for you to join our Volunteer Team!

Call or visit us online today.

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