

2024 Impact Report

Interfaith Charities of South Lee Inc.

Providing hope and help
for those in need in South
Fort Myers, Estero,
and San Carlos Park



More
than
a food
pantry



From the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

As I step into this new role, I've been reflecting on how much 2024 truly was a year of impact. What stands out most is the incredible kindness of people like you—neighbors who believe in lifting each other up. Because of your support, families received food and access to programs that open doors, like Medicaid assistance, literacy support, tax preparation, and summer lunches for kids. Your generosity is woven into every one of these experiences.

I'd love to share Alejandro's story. When he first came to our Pantry, his \$1,200 monthly income was stretched to the breaking point—after rent, car insurance, gas, and utilities, there was almost nothing left for groceries. He turned to ICSL for help with food, and soon after, began taking English classes at our Outreach Center. That choice changed everything. Today, Alejandro is not only learning English but also giving back as a pantry volunteer, while working toward a better job and a brighter future.

Stories like Alejandro's are possible because of you. Every gift, every volunteer hour, every act of kindness you give helps transform lives and strengthen the community we all share.

Thank you for walking alongside us. I'm excited for what's ahead for ICSL and grateful to be on this journey with you.

With gratitude,

Lisa Swanson

Executive Director



Who we are

Interfaith Charities of South Lee (ICSL)

Our Mission:
To feed the
hungry and
provide hope
and help
for our
neighbors
in need

ICSL is committed to serving the residents of South Fort Myers, Estero, and San Carlos Park. The food pantry, providing healthy food options, is our main program. Dry goods and perishables are donated by local merchants, HOAs, church food drives, and individuals. ICSL also receives food from the Harry Chapin Food Bank, and Midwest Food Bank. Grants from United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades and other community foundations fund our financial assistance program that pays utility bills, rents and mortgages for clients.

I

Impassioned

We are a diverse group of impassioned donors, volunteers and staff committed to helping those in need.

C

Community

Our service area is our community. We do not wait for someone else to affect change. We find a way.

S

Service

Service is a mindset. We seek to live it and inspire others to do the same.

L

Love

We strive to have love at the very core of everything we do. . .our guiding principal. . .to be love in action. We hope it is catching!

\$67K

to help pay rent,
water and
electric bills

934

Received
Holiday food boxes

↑ 54%



350

school backpacks
distributed

↑ 70%

21,533

Total number
of pantry visits

↑ 19%

1.2 Million

pounds of food
collected and
distributed

Or an average
of 2 tons per day!



Making an Impact through

Client Services

The client services shown here are available to registered households living south of Gladiolus Road and north of Coconut Point. Donations of every kind—whether financial, in-kind, or the most valuable gift of all, your time—come together to make a meaningful difference for our neighbors in need, especially those facing food insecurity.

We are proud to share these highlights of our collective impact—and gratefully acknowledge we couldn't have achieved these results without you!

1452

Households
Served

4026

Individuals
Served

↑ 15%

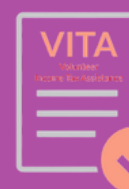


Outreach Center Impact

Community Services

Our Outreach Center is the heart of ICSL—a true community hub where help, learning, and connection come together. Here, neighbors find more than food; they discover free English classes, early reading programs for children, budgeting workshops, and resources that open doors to opportunity.

Through partnerships with organizations like United Way and the American Red Cross, we connect families to emergency assistance, disaster relief, and critical support services. It's a place where people build friendships, gain confidence, and work toward brighter futures — all under one welcoming roof.



\$1 M+

in refunds from 1055 returns prepared by IRS trained volunteers as part of the IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program for households making less than \$70K per year.

Thank You

Grantors

On behalf of the individuals and families we serve, ICSL offers a heartfelt thanks to the following grantors. Grants play a major part in enabling us to help our neighbors in need. We are beyond grateful!

Shadow Wood Charitable Foundation
 United Way of Lee, Henry and Glades
 Spring Run Charitable Foundation
 WildBlue Charitable Neighbors, Inc.
 West Bay Community Charitable Foundation, Inc.
 Pelican Sound Charitable Foundation
 Copperleaf Charitable Foundation, Inc.
 The Community Foundation

Donors of 1,000 pounds of food or more

Most of the 1.2 M pounds of food ICSL distributed was donated. We could not accomplish our mission without the combined support of our many donors.

Aldi	Midwest Food Bank
Cascades Men's Club	Jorge Nallan
Cascades Women's Club	Panera Bread Coconut Point
Chick-fil-A	Pelican Sound Golf & River Club
Costco Wholesale Corporation	Publix Area Stores
Estero Church	Mary Rose
Estero Post Office Letter Carriers	Rotary Club of Estero Foundation
Harry Chapin Foodbank of SWFL Inc.	Sprouts Farmers Market
Johnston, Jay & Joyce	Summit Church
Kingdom First Enterprises	Target Super Store Gulf Coast Town Ctr.
Krawczyk, Ron & Chris	Thrive Community Church
Lamb of God Church	Tidewater
Little Caesars Pizza	Walmart Estero
Mediterra Community	Wawa



Thank You

No matter whether you sponsor our Annual Dinner, make monthly contributions, or choose another way to donate, it all adds up to being able to provide healthy food options and other vital services to those in need. We appreciate your generosity!

\$15,000 - \$20,000

Anonymous
Ron & Linda Charapp
Summit Church
W.E. Cross Charitable
Foundation Inc.

\$10,000 - \$14,999

Scott & Kasha Puettmann

\$5,000 - \$9,999

Warren Asch & Mary Glennon
Bonita Springs-Estero
Realtors
Cascades Community
Adam & Emma Dalton
Fred & Martha Kohnke
O'Donnell Landscapes, Inc.
Riverwoods Plantation
Rotary Club of Estero
Quality Cabinets & Counters
David Smith
Mike & Lisa Wilkes

\$2,500 - \$4,999

Breckenridge Association
Loran & Tony Brodriak
Wayne & Edna Brumfield
CayCorBra Roofing
Church of God (COGWA)
Brandi & Dale Colberg
William & Patricia Edison
Gregg Fortune
Mike & Jan Johnson
Amy & Theodore Kurz
Lamb of God Church
Walter & Eileen Lennox
Susan Nicoletti Family
Nulman Mediation Services
Kristin & Stephen O'Donnell
The Skotak Group
The Northern Trust Company

\$1,000 - \$2,499

Janet & Richard Allman
Victor & Joanne Apa
David & Sally Batanian
BKS Partners
Nancy Carr Brent
Jim & Sue Brunco
James & Christine Burgess
Sharon Bushee
Estero Church
Lilly Cline
William Dasbach
Jamie & Jim Devecchis
Family Church at Woodsmoke
Florida Blue
James Frost
Chris & Nancy Gallin
Linda Garrett
John & Judy Gunderman
PJ & Jeannie Herbert
Pamela & Kevin Hurd
John & Karen Ianucci
Fred Kreckman
John & Deidre Krumpotich
Pat & Bill LaMarra
Thomas & Sandra Lea
James & Kathryn Lowndes
Steve & Cheryl McFadden
Jan Miller-Freyburgher
Mr. Electric of Southwest Florida
Matthew Murphy
Don & Bonnie Olson
Osterhout & McKinney, PA
Scott & Cynthia Peart
Pella Rolscreen Foundation
Mel & Jeanne Pelletz
Karin & Larry Peterson
Robert & Sandra Pinnel
Bob & Nancy Rheel
Bill & Joanne Ribble
Bob Roth
St. Mary's Indian Orthodox Church
Terraverde Social Club
The Trompeter Family Fdtn.
Jo Ann Van Degrieff
Alyssa Young

\$500 - \$999

Lori Aikman
Don & Camille Ballo
Susan Boisen
Tim & Fran Breidenstein
Janet Brendis
Myrna & Earl Brueggeman
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Rich & Barb Resler
Ditmar Schleicher
Kim & Greg Shand
Bill & Diana Skidmore
John & Chris Staub
Walmart Foundation
Frank & Jerilynn Wikander
Cindy & John Wolf
Ed & Lillian Young

Partner Agencies

ICSL is honored to collaborate with various area agencies. This cooperation between the agencies benefits the community to ensure service gaps are closed, services are not duplicated and the community's donations and volunteer efforts are maximized!

Bottom line. . .we are better together!



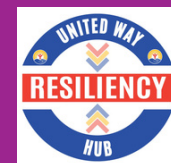
St. Vincent de Paul of Estero

Together we work to provide financial assistance to those who have fallen behind in mortgage/rent, water or electric bills.



Assistance is provided to register or recertify on the Florida DCF ACCESS website for SNAP (formerly food stamps) and Medicaid.

United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades

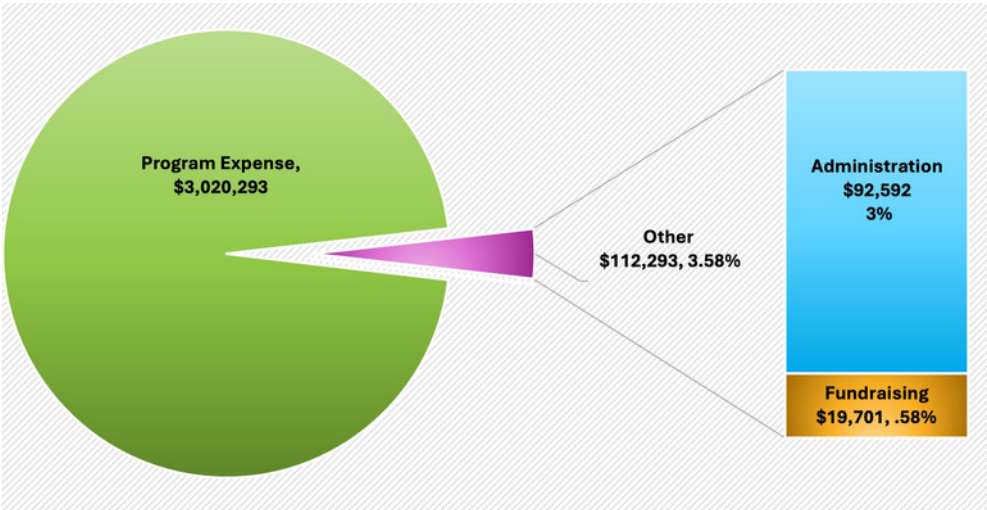
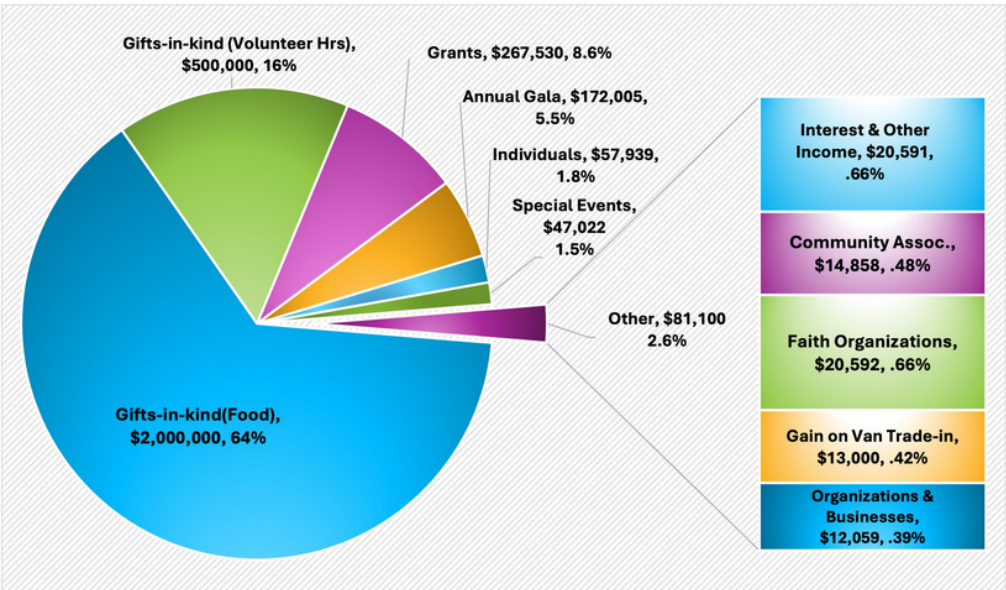


ICSL is a United Way Resiliency Hub. UW Hubs are centralized locations where individuals and families can receive wrap-around social services from multiple community organizations.

Financials

We are committed to financial transparency and accountability and are pleased to report another year of strong support from our community. The information below is based on our 2024 audited financial statements.

2024 Revenue
\$3,125,596



2024 Expense
\$3,132,586

3.6%
Total Administrative Expense

Our team



Lisa Swanson

NEW Executive Director,
formerly Operations
Manager
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Analuna Nanasca

NEW in 2025
Volunteer Manager
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Nancy Martin

Past Executive Director,
Retired Nov. 2024 after
23 years of service



Mirtha Saucedo

NEW in 2025
Outreach Administrator
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Keli Akers

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Rafaela Lopez

Pantry Supervisor



Mark Sansone

Donation Transport

2024 Board of Directors

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Meighan Harris
Trish Leonard
Chris Staub
Joyce Van Horne
Jane Woolbert



400
Volunteers

Volunteers

26,000
hours
donated

Its true. . .

Volunteers weigh food, pack the bags, pick up donations, greet, register and check-in the clients. Volunteers stock the shelves, and take out the trash. Volunteers prepare taxes and serve on the Board. They donate and encourage others to donate.

Volunteers listen, they connect, they care.

"Volunteers are love in motion." –Author Unknown

Our Volunteers are the **HEART** of ICSL!

Volunteer today: www.icslee.org/volunteer,
or contact Annaluna Nanasco at 239-267-3510.





Interfaith Charities of South Lee Inc.

Interfaith Charities of South Lee is a 501(C)(3) nonprofit corporation registered pursuant to Chapter 496, Section 496.405 of the Florida Statutes. A copy of the official registration (CH31) and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll-free (1-800-435-7352) within the state or from its website at fdacs.gov/ConsumerServices. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state.
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 **239-267-3510**

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