



2020 Annual Report

# *Thanks to You!*

## **We receive NO government funding!**

Our ministry is 100% funded by the generosity of caring individuals like YOU who share their resources – time, talent, and treasure – to help God's children.

## **Every child has an Opportunity!**

Your support ensures that NO child or family is ever turned away because they cannot afford the services of Show-Me.

Show - Me  
Christian Youth Home





*Dear Friends,*

**"Dark clouds bring waters,  
when the bright bring none."**

**-John Bunyan**



This has been a fiscal year to remember! If I knew beforehand how challenging this last year was going to be, I may have been tempted to let someone else take over.

Yet, ***if it never rained, there would be no fruit to enjoy.*** I'm giving all credit to COVID-19. I am giving all glory to God for working through dark circumstances to bring about the fruit that's been produced.

The biggest thing to brag about is how God continues to move us forward in the mission to Rescue and Restore Young Lives. Two years ago, we set a course to "Rescue and Restore Even More" through a Capital Campaign. Praise God, Phase 1 is completely funded and nearly completely constructed.

God launched us financially into Phase 2 this year through a generous lead gift to expand our Christian School facilities. This will lead to Phase 3: more homes at the La Monte campus.

In addition to funding the future, God used His people to provide a healthy financial surplus, putting Show-Me in a great position to start the next fiscal year. I honestly anticipated a substantial drop in donations when those COVID clouds started forming.

Of course, most importantly, Show-Me welcomed 13 new children "home." Each one was rescued from unfortunate circumstance, and each one is now on a path of restoration. Additionally, three children chose Jesus and were baptized.

**COVID can't stop our God!** Even though it cast a grim shadow on the immediate future, we plan to soak up the resources and produce even more fruit in this world and for the Kingdom.

**Thank you** for reaching into young lives in their darkness and preparing them for a brighter future – and excellent eternity! You – and God's goodness – made this a year to remember.

*Chad*

# 20/20

Vision to  
RESCUE AND RESTORE  
EVEN MORE

Since 2011, Show-Me has received 2,268 pleas for help from struggling families looking for a place for their child. Sadly, due to the limitations of our current facilities, we were only able to help 105 of those kids, less than 5% of the requests.

Our heart breaks for the over 2,000 children that we could not help. Left to grow up in unhealthy environments, many of them will experience traumatic events that will remain with them the rest of their lives affecting relationships, prospects of a successful future, and their faith - in God, in others, and in themselves. Without help, the odds are heavily stacked

against them ever growing into healthy, independent adults.

The 2020 Vision Campaign to Rescue and Restore Even More was created to address this ever-growing need by expanding our capacity to serve up to 85 children.

5%

Amount of requests that Show-Me can help each year due to the limitations of our current capacity.

"Rescue and Restore Even More" is our battle cry as we take steps to *ensure that EVERY CHILD can know the security, support, and life-changing grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through a loving home and family.* Humbly, we ask that you prayerfully consider what steps God may be asking you to take as part of The 2020 Vision Campaign.

New House #7 (La Monte)

COMPLETED





# 2020 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Steady progress continues in *The 2020 Vision Campaign to Rescue and Restore Even More*. Phase 1 was completed this summer with the addition of two new houses - House #7 at the La Monte campus and the Reed Home at the Drysdale campus.

Work will begin this fall to expand the school facilities to accommodate up to 80 students.

## Step 1: Fix Infrastructure


- ~~Update Water & Waste systems~~

## Step 2: New Homes, New Hope

- Build 2 New Homes at La Monte Campus
  - ~~House #7 (~Summer 2020)~~
  - House #8 (~2022)
- Add a home at Drysdale Campus (~2021)
- Welcome Two New Show-Me Families


## Step 3: Update to Meet Growth

- Enlarge Show-Me School for 80 students
  - Create Elementary School Area
  - New science labs & locker rooms (~2021)
  - New school building at Drysdale Campus (~2022)
- Develop West Campus at La Monte
  - ~~Finish Leadership U classrooms (~2020)~~
  - Build a Welcome Center across from school (~2021)
  - Convert area into volunteer lodging (~2021)
- Renovate Out-dated Homes
  - Rebuild House #2



Leadership U Classroom

**COMPLETED**



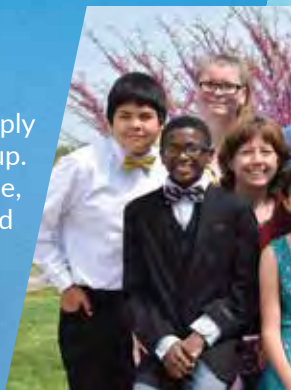
Water & Waste Systems

**COMPLETED**

# How We Help

Show-Me's methods of restoration offer more than simply a house in which kids live temporarily as they grow up. For over 50 years, children continue to find a safe, stable, loving home and family with layers of support geared toward their current and future success.

With the guidance of professionals, Show-Me creates an environment customized for each child to thrive, all provided from a Christian worldview.



## Home & Family

- Traditional family setting with 6-8 siblings led by a set of trained houseparents
- Family structure teaches respect for authority and provides healthy role models
- Children contribute to the needs of the family, find a security in belonging, and develop empathy and responsibility

## Counseling

- Professional counselors support each child's emotional, psychological, and spiritual needs
- Provides a safe place to process through overwhelming feelings and events
- Works with houseparents to help families address new coping methods

## A Community of Support

- Not just any "village to raise a child" but an engaged, Christ-centered neighborhood
- Constant and consistent atmosphere of love and encouragement
- Volunteers and church communities enhance an environment of support





## What kind of children live at Show-Me?

We consider any child as long as they are “safe” (not a threat to themselves or others). Our blended family setting is best suited to help:

- Boys & Girls (Birth -17 years)\*
- Children in a grandparent’s custody
- Large sibling groups stay connected
- A child needing a new environment to thrive
- Parent-child or sibling conflict
- Teens with education or social needs
- Kids with minor juvenile court offenses

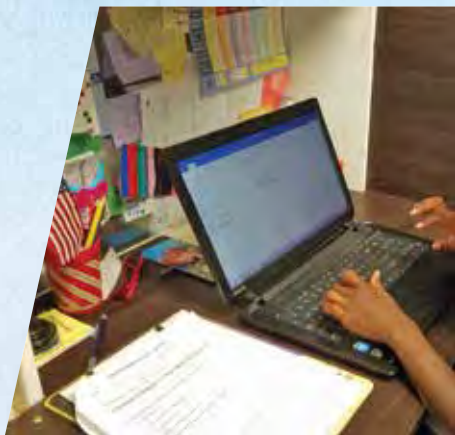
*\*Older children will also need to demonstrate a “willingness” to give the program a chance.*





## SHOW ME CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

For many children who find their way to Show-Me, school has been a struggle due to the battles in their homelife. It's not uncommon for kids to be four grade-levels behind where they need to be.



Our on-site school is designed to give young people the extra help they need to succeed. Each child receives an individualized education, allowing them to learn at their own pace. This approach has enabled 95% of the kids at Show-Me to graduate high school, many of whom had been on the road to dropping out.

- Individual, self-paced academic option
- Utilizes a Biblically-based curriculum (Accelerated Christian Education)
- Nationally accredited coursework led by professionally trained teachers
- 10:1 student to teacher ratio
- Supportive social & academic environment

### Arts & Activities

Traditional learning opportunities complement classroom knowledge to help youth discover and develop their giftings.

- Art
- Music
- Photography
- Drama
- Field trips
- 4-H

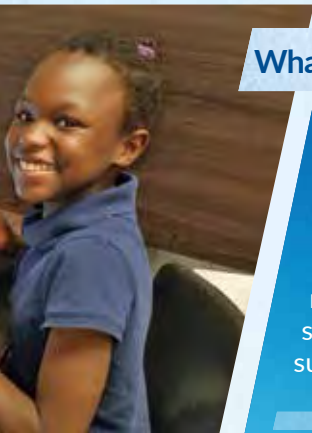
### Sports

Our sports program promotes the healthy development of character, a strong work ethic, teamwork and goal setting skills by competing in the MO-KAN Athletic Conference.

- Baseball
- Soccer
- Track
- Basketball
- Softball
- Volleyball







## What happens to the kids after they leave Show-Me?

Children don't "age out" of the Show-Me program, they "age into" healthy adults. We believe that helping them reach the age of 18 isn't enough. Other interventions must be available if these young lives are to thrive into adulthood and become contributing members of society. That's why Show-Me developed signature programs to prepare our young people for a successful adult life.



Leadership U instills in our young people character and direction as they learn to lead like Jesus. Each week students apply the principles of service, knowledge, confidence and wisdom as they work with our horses and dogs to get hands-on experience.



## PATH TO PURPOSE

Path to Purpose serves as a bridge to adulthood by preparing and supporting students as they become healthy adults in our society. Life skills are taught through mentors, job coaching, and hands-on applications.

# *By the Numbers*

Our 2019-2020 fiscal year and the impact YOUR gifts make in children's lives:

- 205** *Calls for placement*
- 13** *New placements in the year*
- 77** *Children called Show-Me "home"*
- 46** *Attended Show-Me Christian School*
- 7** *Children reunited with family*
- 5** *Graduates*
- 3** *Baptisms*



Show-Me Christian Youth Home is an accredited member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA). We are committed to maintain the highest levels of financial integrity by upholding the ECFA's Seven Standards of Responsible Stewardship.™ ([www.ecfa.org](http://www.ecfa.org)).



Churches  
(24%)

Wills &  
Estates  
(16%)

Individuals  
(45%)

Programs &  
Services  
(80%)

## Income

Individuals	\$1,111,816	45%
Churches	\$587,458	24%
Groups	\$190,876	8%
VBS & Camps	\$7,920	—
Memorials & Honoraria	\$126,982	5%
Wills & Estates	\$411,640	16%
Family Support	\$18,804	1%
United Way	\$9,737	—
Other*	\$31,021	1%

**Total Income: \$2,496,254**

## Expenses

Program & Services	\$1,738,420	80%
Administration	\$233,593	11%
Promotions	\$205,626	9%

**Total Expenses: \$2,177,639**

**Net Income (Loss): \$318,615\*\***

\* Includes Path to Purpose, Sale of Livestock, Interest, etc.

\*\* Does not include Gift in Kind Income valued at \$135,975. This report reflects amounts for the Operating Company's fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. Reviewed financial statements are available in January 2021. Detailed reports available upon request for Show-Me Christian Youth Home Operating and Facilities Company.



## Rescued & Restored: *Shambrishia Jones*



*Shambrishia, age 15, at Show-Me.*

Shambrishia Jones will tell you that a home is more than walls and a roof. Surrounded by your family's love, it is where you are accepted, and you can learn and grow. Safe and secure, it is your refuge where you are refreshed. As a child, her dream was to find a place she could call "home."

Born to teenage parents, Shambrishia was raised by her grandparents. After five years, her grandma decided it was time for her parents to be responsible for her and her three siblings.

Never stable, they constantly moved from place to place: bouncing from relatives' couches, staying with people they didn't know, and even living out of their car. "I had to grow up very fast," Shambrishia recounted. "By the age of 8, I had witnessed and experienced things that no child should ever have to: drugs, domestic abuse between parents, a so-called family friend trying to take advantage of me, and having to take on the role of parent

to make sure my younger sister and brothers were taken care of."

The summer she turned 9, her parents got a house, but it was far from a home. There was no running water, no bathrooms, and only one room that was not covered in junk.

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In 1990, Shambrishia and her siblings were put in foster care. While it might have freed her from a dangerous situation, foster care did not provide the home she longed for. No foster home could accommodate the four siblings together or take her for more than a year. Six years and six different foster homes later, her case worker gave her the news she had been waiting so long to hear. There might be a place she could finally call home.

At Show-Me, Shambrishia and her sister, Yoshi, could be together and no longer have their lives continually uprooted. "I was excited that I was going to live with my sister, but at the same

*Yoshi and Shambrishia*



time I was also scared and nervous about what everybody was going to think of me," remembered Shambrishia.

Joining the Chaney Family in Camdenton, she finally found her safe, secure, and loving home. Through the everyday family moments together – conversations over the table, morning devotions, playing cards, and even doing chores – she felt cared for and saw God's love for her. "Learning how to accept that love from Show-Me taught me how to love, forgive, and let go of my emotional baggage," she said. A year later, that stable home grew into a forever-family when Shambrishia and Yoshi were adopted by the Chaney family.

After graduating in 2000, Shambrishia attended Ozark Christian College, and then returned home to Show-Me to provide daycare for the little ones and serve as a relief houseparent. Miss Brishia is still remembered for her big smile, contagious laughter, joyful spirit, and a hug for all the children that spent time in her home. "I wanted to show each of these kids the love of God just as I experienced it growing up here," she said.

In 2008, God spread that love across the country when she married and moved to Maryland to start a family of her own. Their family grew and now includes two daughters, Alayna and Maiselle. Working in the Baltimore County Public School, Mrs. Brishia continues to reflect to

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Kindergarteners the same kind of love that changed her.

"I learned from Show-Me how to be patient with people and make sure I show them that I care about them," said Shambrishia. "What impacted me the most was the love that Show-Me has for each child no matter where you came from, what brought you to Show-Me, your race or disability. Show-Me accepted me and showed me love – God's love. As a child that made me feel safe, secure and stable. It showed me that everything was going to be okay. That is what I needed."



*Shambrishia with her husband, Derrick, and two daughters, Alayna and Maiselle.*



# Join the Cause

You have the power to change the course of generations!

- ❑ **Pray** - Prayer for our children and Show-Me family is our most important resource.
- ❑ **Volunteer** - Share your time and talent.
- ❑ **Stay Informed** - Sign up to receive the latest news.
- ❑ **Spread the Word** - Share Show-Me with your friends:
  - Refer us to a family who might need our help.
  - Invite us to speak to your church, group, VBS, or civic organization.
  - Connect & share on Facebook.
- ❑ **Honor** - Memorial and Tribute gifts honor the legacy of loved ones.
- ❑ **Teach** - Use our free Mighty Man video series to teach kids about missions.
- ❑ **Give** - Invest in future generations:
  - Cash/ Check/ Credit Card
  - Donated goods or professional services
  - Appreciated Assets or securities
  - In-kind gifts (food, vehicles, land, grain/cattle)





## Vital Ways YOU Can Help Children

### Prayer Partners

Prayer Partners receive bi-monthly and urgent prayer requests. Call 660-347-5982 or sign up online at [www.ShowMeHelpingKids.com](http://www.ShowMeHelpingKids.com)



### Boosters

Boosters are the heroes who commit to help us when we are faced with an unexpected or urgent need. As a member of our "come thru crew," you will receive a special letter explaining the need. Once the call goes out, we know our heroes will give us the needed "boost" through prayer and an immediate gift of \$10 or more.



### Neighbors

Neighbors are key partners who faithfully support the children with monthly gifts. **Monthly giving is one of the most efficient and impactful ways to help YOU and Show-Me.**



Recurrent giving can be set up and managed online at [www.ShowMeHelpingKids.com](http://www.ShowMeHelpingKids.com).

- **Flexible** - Pick the amount, change or stop your gift at any time.
- **Better Stewardship** - Consistent giving enables us to plan ahead.
- **Convenient** - save time, postage, and helps us with administrative costs.

## People Are More Important Than Dollars

Our estate plans should be more about the people we love than the wealth we have accumulated. Think about the **People** you love and care for, the **Property** you have accumulated, and the **Passion** of your faith.

We have prepared an eBook to help you do that, **Your Estate Planning Guide**. It includes an inventory form to list your people, property, and plans, along with a step-by-step estate process to help you express your passions in planning.

Request or download **Your Estate Planning Guide** today at [ShowMeHelpingKids.com](http://ShowMeHelpingKids.com). There is no cost or obligation.



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