

2022 NUMBERS

6 HOURS
4 Employable
0 Skills
Training

PEOPLE RECEIVED
JOB TRAINING
THROUGH
THE CHATHAM
APPRENTICE
PROGRAM

214

Wraparound Services 332

\$802,776

In cash funding resources
were invested back into the
Savannah community through
our AmeriCorps VISTA program



14,971
VOLUNTEER
HOURS SERVED

610
SERVED
FINANCIAL EDUCATION COMMUNITY CLASSES



outreach
185 events

Individuals
served by the
Public Benefits
Program 7,776

A NOTE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends and Supporters,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. As we reflect on the past year, I am thrilled to present Step Up Savannah's Annual Report for 2022. With immense gratitude and a sense of accomplishment, I share with you the impact we have collectively made in our community. This year has been marked by unprecedented challenges but also remarkable resilience. Our **commitment to economic inclusion and fostering economic opportunity** in Savannah and the surrounding areas remained steadfast despite the trials we faced.



This Annual Report will give you a comprehensive overview of our accomplishments and initiatives. Behind every number are the stories of individuals and families whose lives have been transformed through our programs. It is a testament to our team's unwavering dedication, our board's steadfast leadership, our partners' support, and our donors' generosity.

Our workforce development program continues to thrive, connecting job seekers with meaningful employment opportunities. The success stories within these pages demonstrate the power of skills training and job placement in breaking the cycle of poverty. Our VISTA and Public Benefits program continues to **increase the capacity of our social safety net**. With every outcome, you will find inspiring stories of resilience, hope, and empowerment. You will see the faces of those whose lives have been positively impacted by your support and dedication. **Together, we have made tangible progress toward creating a community where prosperity knows no bounds.**

Step Up Savannah continues to be a strong advocate for policies that promote equity and opportunity. We've actively engaged with local and state policymakers to drive systemic change and create a more inclusive community. Collaboration has always been at the heart of our work. We are proud of our growing network of partners and the collective impact we have achieved together locally and statewide.

None of this would have been possible without the unwavering support of our donors, volunteers, and community partners. **Your generosity has been the driving force behind our success, and we are profoundly grateful for that.** Our commitment to creating a more equitable Savannah remains resolute as we look ahead to the future. We will continue to innovate, advocate, and collaborate to ensure that every member of our community has the opportunity to thrive. Together, we are making a difference.

Looking forward, our commitment to empowerment and prosperity remains unwavering. We will continue to **innovate, advocate, and, most importantly, step up together** to create a more inclusive and prosperous Savannah for all. Thank you for your continued belief in our mission and for being an integral part of our journey. We are deeply grateful for your generosity and support. **Together, we can step up, step forward, and empower prosperity for everyone in our community.**

In Hope and Solidarity,
Alicia M. Johnson
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OUR FUNDERS



STEP UP SAVANNAH ANNUAL REPORT

2023



STEP UP Together

EMPOWERING PROSPERITY:
BRIDGING THE DIVIDE THROUGH
ECONOMIC INCLUSION

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Step Up Savannah, Inc. engages all sectors of the community to improve the economic mobility and financial stability of families in Savannah, Chatham County. Our mission is that we believe our beloved community, is a community where all community members step up to create economic inclusion.

Economic Inclusion understands that historically, not everyone has had a chance to fully participate in our economy. Step Up Savannah is working in the community to **promote equitable access to resources and opportunities** so everyone can participate in the economy and prosper.



EQUITY acknowledges and removes disparities in opportunities, power, and resources so that **everyone** can each their full potential to **thrive**.

OVERALL num BERS

217,900
INDIVIDUALS SERVED BY THE
STEP UP COLLABORATIVE SINCE 2006

\$18.54
Average hourly
wage for 2022
CAP graduates

2,011
INDIVIDUALS HAVE RECEIVED
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

264 Emerging leaders
trained through our Neighborhood
Leadership Academy to sharpen their
skills to effect
change in
neighborhoods

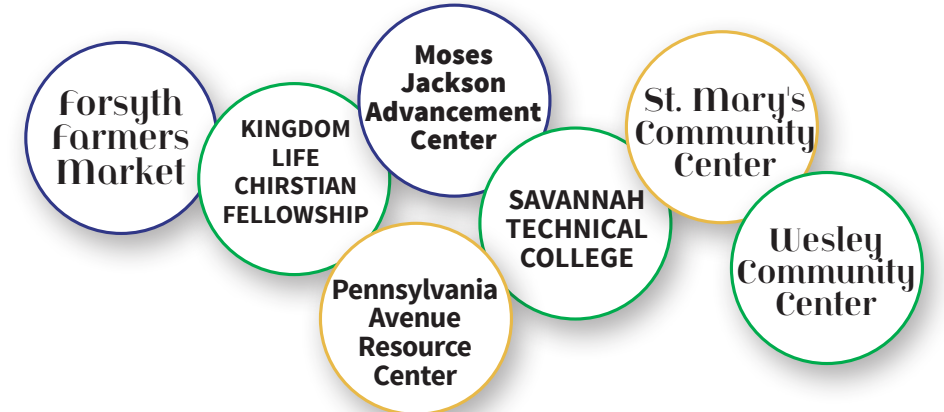


REACHED NEARLY
500,000
GEORGIANS DURING THE
ELECTION CYCLE THROUGH
TEXTING & PHONE BANKING



PUBLIC Benefits step up savannah

PUBLIC BENEFITS PARTNERS



CHATHAM
APPRENTICE
PROGRAM
pathways
CAP
step up savannah

- Forklift Operator Safety Training
- Partial CDL Scholarship
- TWIC Transportation Workers Identification Credential Card
- OSHA-10 Occupational Safety & Health Certification
- Barista Training
- EMT: Basic
- EMT: Advanced
- Firefighter
- Chatham Emergency Dispatch
- Registered Behavioral Technician
- ServSafe Food Handler
- ServSafe Manager

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