

Oregon Hill Baptist Center
2021
Annual Report



"Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labor."
Ecclesiastes 4:9

The Oregon Hill Baptist Center continues to partner with Pine Street Baptist Church, and many other churches and individuals within and outside the River City Faith Network as we work together to be the Body of Christ in the world.

Thanks to volunteers, donations, and other support even while still dealing with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic we have been able to continue or restart most of our ministries, which include:

*** Homeless Services:**

Locker Room, Mailing Address, Clothes Closet, Laundry, Plastic Sleeping Mats, Assistance obtaining IDs, Birth Certificates and prescriptions, Meals, and snack bags. Since March 2020 we have used COVID safety precautions by providing “grab & go” style meals, Limiting the number of participants in our building at a time, social distancing and requiring and providing masks.

A special event sponsored by “Backpacks for The Homeless” occurred on Dec. 17th at which free backpacks, winter clothing, blankets, sleeping bags, and food were distributed.



* **Food Pantry:** Since COVID we have begun taking appointments for pick-up and delivery of household food bags.

* **Financial Assistance:** Rent, utilities, medication, birth certificates, and IDs.

* **Outdoor Community Movies** resumed June – October 2021 after canceling the 2020 movie season.



Thanksgiving Food Ministry: 45 households received food bags that each included \$10 grocery store gift cards.



Christmas Store: 62 Children received gifts through the OHBC registration in 2020

Due to COVID precautions our 2020 Christmas Store took on a different format. Instead of parents picking out gifts for their own children in a gymnasium with lots of other parents and volunteers present, individuals and churches were asked to sponsor children. Individual children's wish lists were collected and distributed to those who sponsored children. All gifts were delivered to the Store location. Parents then received appointments to come and pick up their children's gifts.

Because of the continued need to be COVID safe, and the positive feedback, we have decided to use the same format for our 2021 Store!



School Supply Store: 51 children received backpacks and school supplies.

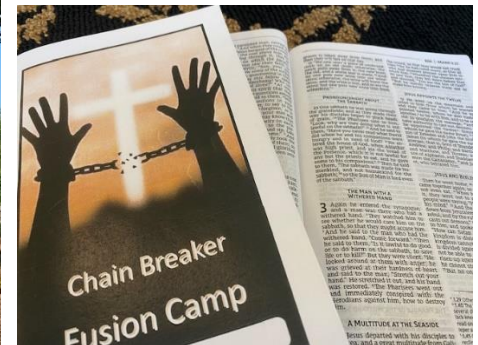


Youth:

Due to COVID, regular youth meetings were suspended for the year. We did, however, sponsor a few outdoor special activities including Putt-Putt, and a Pool Party.

15 attended FUSION Camp on the campus of Ferrum College. COVID safety precautions were put in place. Youth enjoyed worship, bible study, hot topics, and free time.

The OHBC also assisted several teens in obtaining their COVID-19 vaccinations.



I thank each person and congregation for supporting the ministries of the Oregon Hill Center. Without your steadfast commitment, our ministries would be difficult, if not impossible to continue.

Respectfully Submitted,
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