

# January 2023



**“Forget the former things; do not dwell in the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up: do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.” Isaiah 43:18-19**

Happy New Year! 2023 has a lot to be excited about for the ministry of Denver Area Youth for Christ! God is doing a new thing with a new vision and opportunity.

Our Community Center is now underway with architectural plans, permits and connecting with General Contractors. There is much work to do, and the prayer is that the work, permits and details will be completed by the summer of 2023.

The Community Center is located a block away from one of our Parent Life sites at New Legacy High School. We have had ministry there for the past five years. It is also located in the most violent zip code in the Denver area for the past three years.

The impact to teenagers is immense. The ministry is positioned like never before to provide a safe space for teenagers to be seen, heard, and loved in Jesus’ name.

We have a staff of five that will be meeting the needs of the young people in the community. One, Marissa was just hired this month! Two of our staff grew up in the community that we are serving in, Cherelle and Zah. Cherelle is our Director of Community Ministry and will lead the team in this new area of ministry.

**Our prayer this year is to raise \$450,000 necessary for the construction costs, rent, and staff to make this a reality in 2023. Would you consider a donation towards this effort?**

Thank you for your prayers and partnership with the ministry. God is doing a NEW thing and the BEST is yet to come!

Serving Him Together,



Ken Allen

Executive Director

P.S. P.S. The Graber Foundation has generously agreed to match any new donations to any of our 28 staff at \$300 per month per staff between January and July of 2023, which is a total of \$50,400 that can be matched.



Some staff members were able to drop by our community center to see the progress being made on the construction

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