



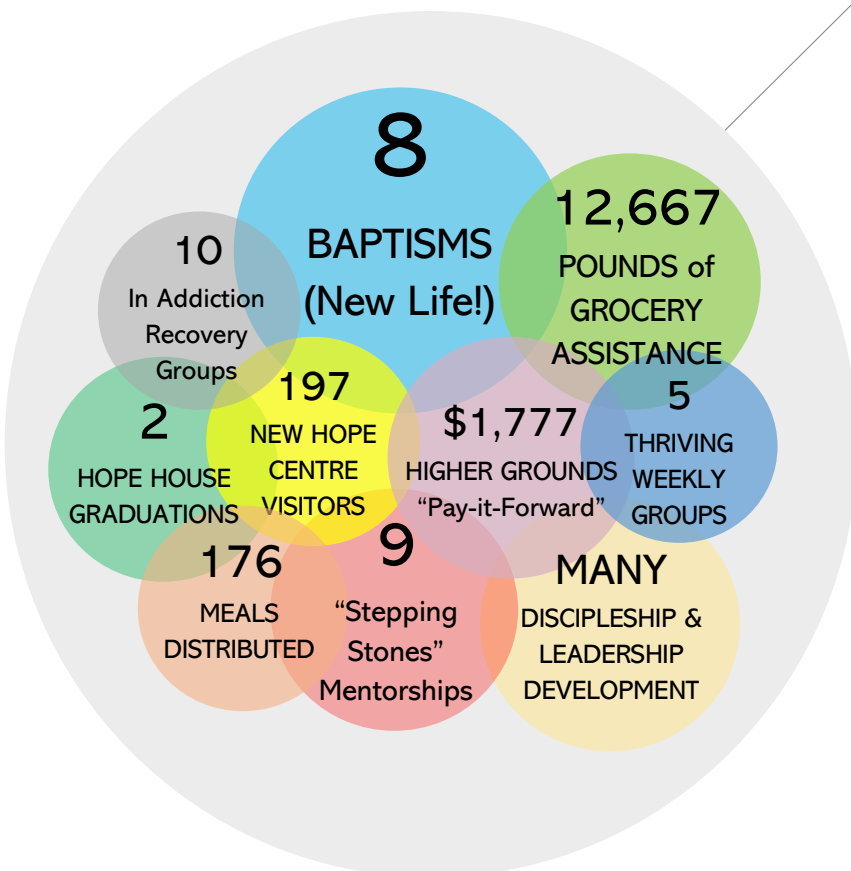
*Helping people to become everything they were created to be!*

After the first three months of 2022, there are so many exciting things happening at the *Hope Barrie Mission Group* ! We are engaging the vulnerable and the marginalized in our community and we are able to measure success in all of our efforts!

People are recovering from addiction, gaining valuable life skills, engaging in mentorships and job-skills programmes, gaining sustainable housing, learning to give back to the community, and even experiencing radical life transformation with new hope and new purpose as they take steps of faith!

Thank You for partnering with us. While we have much good news to share, **we are facing large challenges** to maintaining and moving our mission forward.

**HOPE BARRIE**  
by the Numbers  
January—March '22



*Hope Barrie* is the *only* faith-based organization of its kind operating in Barrie, dedicated to addressing **Chronic Poverty** issues from a **faith-based** perspective.

We believe that the opposite of **poverty, addiction, and homelessness** is found in connection.

Poverty occurs when people are disempowered through loss of connection to God, systems, community, and self, and we seek to help to restore those connections and engage people in life-giving community.

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**... and it is working!**

## JANUARY THROUGH MARCH, 2022



At *Hope House Barrie*, 2 men have graduated to independent living, 2 more are very close to graduating, and 1 recently celebrated 1 year of sobriety. In total, 21 men have resided at Hope House for various reasons and lengths of stay in the last 2 years.

**THE NEED:** We urgently need to move *Hope House* to a more suitable and permanent facility, hire a professional case manager / counsellor full time, and create more capacity. This year, our property lease alone increases an unexpected and drastic 32%.



*Higher Grounds Coffee House* currently has 9 participants in our “Stepping Stones” mentorship programme, Last year, 5 people in our programming gained paid jobs elsewhere after succeeding in their training here.. This is an incredibly important and effective mission as both a programme and as a community outreach.

**THE NEED:** We rarely “break even” each month. Our sales are currently \$944 below our expenses (Jan-Mar), not including wages which are paid from our general budget and not covered by sales. We need people to choose *Higher Grounds* in order to increase sales revenue, and/or people to donate to our general charity or the “Pay-it-Forward” fund at *Higher Grounds*.



*The Food Pantry of Hope* has distributed 12,667 pounds of food to 946 people, and we have passed on almost 1,500 pounds of food to shelters, churches, and food banks. We try to connect intentionally with each recipient in order to help them to grow in all areas of life. The Food Pantry is an entry point for people and first steps toward building an effective and comprehensive Grocery Assistance Programme to address Food Insecurity.

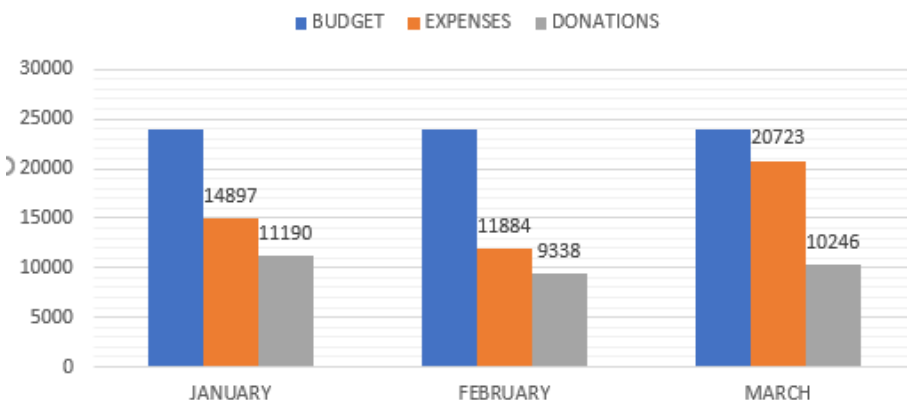
**THE NEED:** We routinely need donations of non-perishables and of “hand foods”, and we need donations to our general budget in order to house and grow the programme.



*Hope City Church Barrie* is our registered charity with the general budget for all of our mission operations. We operate *The Hope Centre* as our base of operations and our meeting space, where we operate all of our other programmes.

**THE NEED:** It costs money to pay the rent and to keep the lights on. We are seriously understaffed, and we depend on volunteers to maintain minimal hours of operation. We need an increase in monthly donors and new donors to help us to continue to function. The vast majority of the people we serve are in poverty and cannot sustain the mission.

### Budget - Actual Expenses - Donations



We receive an average of only **42%** of our budget needs in gifts each month.

(Our **ONLY** source of funding is private donations like yours).

While our expenses are \$25,000 under budget, they are \$17,000 above the amount of gifts that we have received in January through March.

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