



# 2025 IMPACT REPORT

## KERSHAW AREA RESOURCE EXCHANGE

“Helping neighbors in need with practical support through crisis assistance, hunger relief, and resource referrals.”



# KARE'S PROGRAMS

- Financial Crisis Assistance – KARE offers short-term, documented crisis assistance, helping with essential needs such as rent and utility payments.
- Food Pantry Operations – KARE offers income-qualified families nutritious, well-balanced food that covers at least one week's worth of grocery expenses.
- Home Repairs & Duke Energy Weatherization – KARE collaborates with partners to ensure safe living environments for financially eligible seniors and disabled homeowners.
- The Exchange by KARE – KARE's community thrift store, located at 405 S. Hampton St in Kershaw, is open to the public and all proceeds go towards supporting KARE's programs.



# YEAR IN REVIEW

Some of the standout moments from 2025 include:

- Expanded resources to clients by inviting additional partner agencies to operate out of KARE's offices
- Added a Volunteer/Outreach Coordinator to our staff thanks to a grant from the Springs Close Foundation
- Partnered with the Clemson Extension on our food orders for pantry clients.
- Since May, KARE hosted 9 Lunch and Learns for our community
- Expanded our partnership with the Women's Enrichment Center's *Finding Serenity* project.
- Partnered with Mungo Deer Processing and Hunters for the Hungry to expand our pantry offerings.
- Two KARE babies born: Charli-Mae Higgins and Roland Harrison!



# 2025 COMMUNITY IMPACT



- \$27,834.16 of Financial Assistance provided to 89 Households
- 186 Clients received Financial Counseling
- 128 Referrals to partner agencies for additional support
- 11 Homes repaired (9 projects completed by Youth Serve)
- 16 Duke Energy Weatherization projects completed
- 6,117 Households received 843,455 lbs. of food assistance
- KARE provided partner agencies with 26,416 lbs. of donated food and supplies
- 12,059 Volunteer hours donated representing a \$419,544 savings to KARE
- 619,591 lbs. of food donated to KARE valued at \$1,189,614
- \$1,878,007.50 of total assistance provided to 10,118 families in need



# FINANCIAL SUPPORT

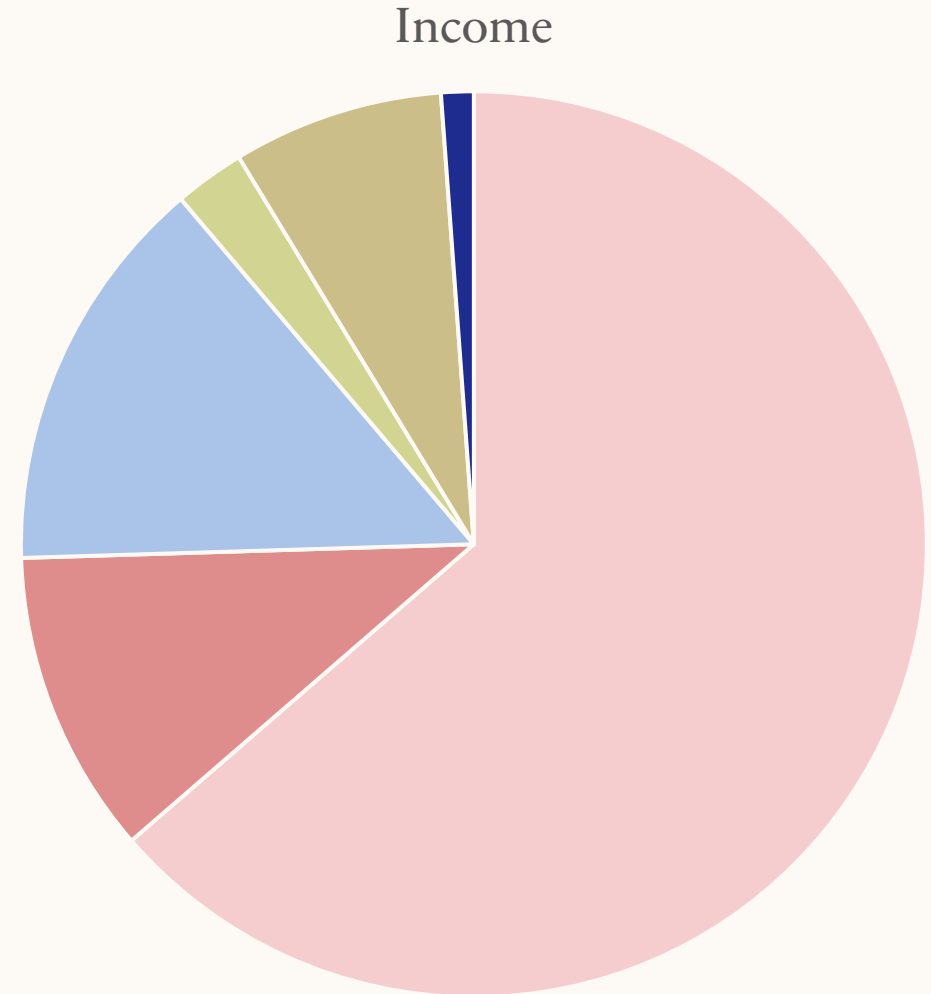
## Fund Distribution

98% Program Expenses

2% Administration

## 2025 Financial Support

In-Kind	\$1,609,158
Grants	\$280,739.96
The Exchange	\$368,711.89
Donations	\$108,077.45
Fundraising Events	\$64,943.41
Program Income	\$194,246.31
Pharmacy Lease	\$30,000



■ In-Kind ■ Grants ■ The Exchange ■ Fundraising ■ Program Income ■ Lease



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# THANK YOU

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