



## Meet Jon

At 15 years of age, Jon started smoking crack cocaine which quickly led to years of drug abuse and addiction. Growing up in Fayette, he only saw and experienced one side of the city. The side he knew was dark, lonely, and somewhere he did not want to live. Numerous recovery centers and years later, Jon found himself at a point where he knew he had to make a serious change. After leaving a recovery center in early 2020, Jon lived under a shed off the interstate for several days until he could save enough to return to Fayette. Jon heard about Restoration Springs through Unity Baptist Church in Fayette and decided he was ready to take that next step in his life. Today, Jon is sober, employed full-time with Georgia Pacific, and is planning on relocating back home to Fayette where he will experience the side he never knew existed. Jon has two children and served our country for 8 years in the Army National Guard. He was also our first baptism in Lake Kirkley at Restoration Springs. Jon describes Restoration Springs as a "miracle and one blessing after another". We praise God for a life restored by His grace!



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## A NOTE FROM LISA

We started this year still in a worldwide pandemic and unsure if it would be any different from 2020. I keep trying to find a word that reflects the past 12 months, and I keep coming back to the word "grateful".

We are grateful that:

- Our 2021 was nothing like our 2020
- We received funding to expand our transitional living program at Restoration Springs
- We served the most men since our founding
- We started a new recovery small group that averages 25-30 people every week
- We have a board of directors that are 100% invested
- We have supporters like YOU!

God's Word promises us: "Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us" (Eph. 3:20), and, oh, how He is doing more than we could have imagined! Take a look at some opportunities YOU were a part of through your generosity. We thank you for your unbelievable support and fervent prayers.

Blessings,

*Lisa Bright*

Mother, Founder, and CEO of the Will Bright Foundation



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### RECOVERY



Recovery meetings had 624 people in attendance. In addition, a new recovery group started this year, Red Letters, Black Coffee, is averaging 25 to 30 people per week.

### FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT



10 men have received full-time employment.

### LEGISLATIVE WINS



Through our work serving on the governor's opioid task force and other advocacy partners, Tianeptine became a Schedule II controlled substance in the State of Alabama and can no longer be purchased as an over-the-counter supplement.

### SERVICE & OUTREACH



2,028 hours were given as opportunities to volunteer.

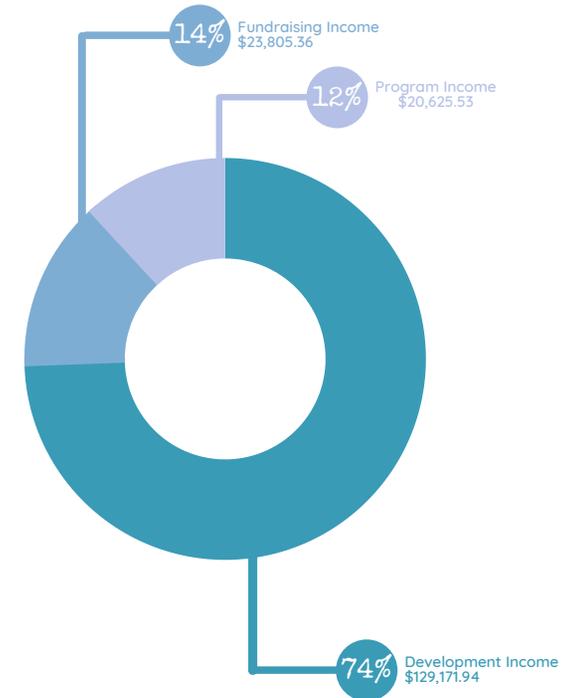
### GRANT AWARDED



In April 2021, the Will Bright Foundation was awarded the RESTORE Alabama grant through the Appalachian Regional Commission in partnership with the University of Alabama in the amount of \$508,000.



## INCOME



## EXPENSES

