



Gracing Spaces Annual Report 2025

Fiscal Year 2025

January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

Our Mission

Gracing Spaces is an all volunteer organization that furnishes homes to help neighbors transition from homelessness. We grace each space, enabling volunteers to provide hope and caring service to the community.

Our Vision

Until everyone has a home, Gracing Spaces will furnish houses to turn them into homes to bring hope to the people we serve.



Letter from The Board President

Dear Gracing Spaces Friends and Supporters,

It will come as no surprise that the need in our community is growing. We're receiving more requests for assistance from the organizations that we know and love, and we're receiving requests for assistance from new organizations and counties.

Together we've been able to meet that growing need because we're working as teams. As we welcome new volunteers into every facet of the organization, we can handle the need growing in the community. By having a scheduling team and nine dedicated hauler teams we're able to accept more furniture. By expanding the team that communicates with social workers we're able to help more of our neighbors in need every week. By welcoming new folks into each department, we're able to keep up with the torrent of requests we're receiving. By adding teams of folks working diligently behind the scenes, our warehouse stays safe, organized, and ready to support our neighbors.

It makes me smile that every week – a normal week now, fifteen or so requests, a hundred pieces of furniture, hundreds of items of home goods – would have been unthinkable a few short years ago when so many of our teams were made up of just one dedicated volunteer!

As the need around us grows, the generosity in our community is also growing. Our growing community of financial supporters are so generous that we're able to lease a second warehouse and purchase urgently needed furniture items when the surge of need hits in the fall. Our volunteers are so generous with their time and talent that we've been able to add a second day of pickups. Our wider community is so generous with their furniture and home goods that we're able to provide almost two thousand of our neighbors with what they need to launch the next phase of their lives well.

It's easy to get wrapped up in thinking about growth as numbers. And as you read the rest of this report, you'll see that by every measure Gracing Spaces has grown remarkably this past year. But numbers aren't the most important part of the story. More important is how the work of Gracing Spaces has shaped each of us, and shaped us as a community.

As we live out our faith together in these uncertain times, we grow as a community, we grow in loving service to our neighbors and to one another, and we grow as children of God. May the next year bring us closer to one another, closer to those in need, and closer to Christ.

Grace and Peace,



Bill Carey
Board President

Gracing Spaces Board of Directors



William Carey
President



Terry Murtaugh
Vice President



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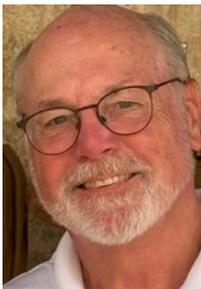
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Director



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Director



Craig Myers
Director



Doug Vigen
Director



Doug Gwin
Director



Luke Taylor
Director

2025 Gracing Spaces Teams

Incoming Donations

Warehouse Organizers <i>Mondays at the Warehouse</i>	Haulers <i>Trucks and vans all over all the time</i>
Schedulers <i>On computers all week</i>	"Red Rascals" <i>Wednesdays at Fairfax Church</i>
Repair Crew <i>The Furniture Warehouse</i>	Thrifiers <i>Local thrift shops</i>

Administrative Support

The Board of Directors <i>Lord of Life, Every other month</i>
Communications Team
Finance Team
Grantwriters
Marketing Team
Facilities Team
Events Hosts

Outgoing Requests

Furniture Department <i>The Furniture Warehouse</i>	Schedulers <i>On computers all the week</i>
Linens Department <i>The Home Goods Warehouse</i>	Makeover Team <i>Where they're needed, once a month or so</i>
Decor Department <i>The Home Goods Warehouse</i>	Giveout "Runners" <i>The Warehouses Tuesday and Wednesdays</i>
Clothes Department <i>The Home Goods Warehouse</i>	CUMC Partners <i>Centreville United Methodist every second Saturday</i>
Kitchen Department <i>The Home Goods Warehouse</i>	
Kids Department <i>The Home Goods Warehouse</i>	

It takes many hands and hearts at work to meet the need in our community – this year we've seen our teams grow and weave new volunteers into so much of our work. Whatever your skills and passion, there's a place to serve with Gracing Spaces!



2025 Gracing Spaces Milestones

- For the first time, we served more than 1,000 children in a single year!
- We welcomed many new volunteers – there are now 65 volunteers participating in our regular weekly work!
- Our weekly mailing grew to 261 subscribers.
- We provided 10 families with makeovers, almost one a month.
- We leased a second warehouse in Burke, getting our whole team into heated space and making room to support more requests.
- We expanded our donation pickup teams, both the team who manage donor communication and scheduling and the folks who load and haul the furniture.
- We ran our first targeted donation drive, raising more than \$36,000 to provide new beds when donations can't keep up with the need.
- We established the investment committee to manage our cash-on-hand and incoming stock donations.
- We successfully accepted our first donation of stock.
- We hosted an “open warehouse”, inviting friends and neighbors to see the work we do on a weekly basis.

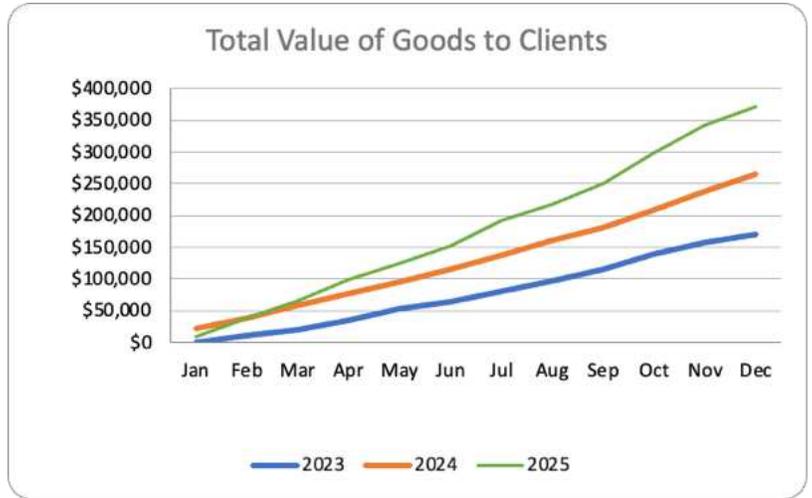
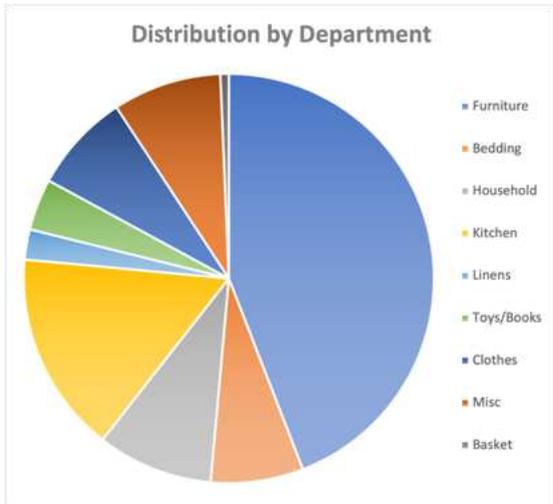
Facilities Update

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5799C Burke Center Parkway• <i>Home Goods Warehouse</i>• 1,500 sqft, Heated, Bathroom | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5795D Burke Center Parkway• <i>Furniture Warehouse</i>• 1,440 sqft, Heated, Bathroom |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lease Start: July 1st 2024• Lease End: June 30th 2026 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lease Start: July 25th 2025• Lease End: July 25th 2027 |



Gracing Spaces Impact – Weekly Giveouts

From January through December, our volunteers served **1,957** people, **915** adults and **1,042** children, filling **676** distinct orders, giving out **21,478** inventoried items.



Gracing Spaces Impact – Our Partners

We supported **286** (up from 217 last year) different social workers, filling requests on behalf of their clients. We supported many organizations for the first time in 2025:

- ACT MID
- ACTS Rapid Rehousing
- Alexandria VA Child and Family
- APS Teen Parenting Program
- Arlington Behavioral Health
- Arlington County BHD
- Arlington County Department of Human Services
- Arlington County Government
- Arlington Employment Center
- Arlington Teen Parenting Program
- Big Brothers Big Sisters National Capital Area
- Bridges to Independence
- Burke United Methodist Church
- Centreville United Methodist Church
- Child and Family Behavioral Health Services
- Communities in Schools
- Department of Family Services
- Teen Parenting Program
- The Lamb Center
- Department of Veterans Affairs
- DSS - Homeless Services Division
- Ebenezer Baptist Church of Woodbridge
- ECHO
- Fairfax County Government - Act Mid County Team
- FCPS PreK Program
- Gartlan Center/CSB
- Generation Hope
- Greater Prince William Health Center
- Healthy Families Fairfax
- ITC
- JDRDC Fairfax County
- Jewish Social Services Agency
- Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court
- Lorton Community Action Center
- Loudon County MHSADS
- United States Navy
- US Renal Care - Fairfax
- LSSNCA
- NCS/Early Head Start
- New Hope Housing
- Northern Virginia Family Services
- NoVA RAFT
- PathForward
- Prince William Area Coordinated Entry
- Prince William Community Services
- Prince William County Government - New Horizons
- St. John's Community Services
- St. Margaret of Cortona Transitional and Maternity Housing
- St. Vincent de Paul Society, Holy Spirit Church
- StreetLight Community Outreach Ministries
- Streetlight Supportive Shelter
- Volunteers of America
- Women for Afghan Women

Church and Community Partnerships

Lord of Life Lutheran Church

- In addition to generous financial support, Lord of Life allows us to park our trucks and hosts our board meetings and volunteer gatherings.

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in McLean

- This church's youth program packed twenty pitchers with cooking utensils and ten buckets of cleaning supplies. Youth and Communications Coordinator Grace Howie delivered these items to our warehouse.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Springfield

- This church invited us to give a presentation to the members of the Women of the ELCA and supported us financially.

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Haymarket

- This church dedicated the month of May to raising awareness and support for Gracing Spaces. They implemented a pots and pans drive which brought in some much needed donations.

- Deacon David planned, organized, and implemented a bunk bed building project that produced five bunk bed kits for our clients.
- The middle school students came for a work day in June, assisting volunteers with packing and preparing the requests for the week.
- The SOTH Arts and Artisans group donated their proceeds from card and craft sales from October 2025-December 2025.

Fairfax Church Youth Event

- This youth group packed, tagged, and prepped for a makeover and then completed the makeover the next day by setting up an entire apartment for a mother and son in Woodbridge.

Terra Forma Church

- In addition to generous financial support, this church invited us to speak during worship about the mission of Gracing Spaces. For their June "scatter and serve" event, they gathered linens, toys, books, and games for young kids.

Centreville United Methodist Church

- This church invited us to give a presentation to the members of Women of Faith and supported us financially with a monetary donation.
- We continued to partner with CUMC monthly providing furniture, home goods, and volunteers to their Grace Ministries program.
- This church donated funds to purchase seven twin beds during our December bed drive.

Kids Give Back

- This group invited us to give a presentation to the young people participating in this event and then they packed buckets of cleaning supplies and offered them as a donation to Gracing Spaces.

Regency Women's Club

- This group selected Gracing Spaces as one of two charities they would support for the September 2025-August 2026 year. They host many events for their community that raise money and this money will be gifted to Gracing Spaces throughout the 12 month span.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

- This church allowed us to have a booth at their Oktoberfest celebration, so we were able to inform people about the ministry of Gracing Spaces, volunteer opportunities, and donation possibilities.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Vienna

- This church included us as endowment fund recipients, supporting our work with \$800.



Thanks to our Donors

Gracing Spaces is primarily supported by individual donors. We accept donations via check mailed to our P.O. box and via credit card on our website. This year 158 individuals made a financial contribution to our mission, up from 103 in 2024:

	FY2024	FY2025
More than \$10,000	4 donors	5 donors
\$5000 - \$9,999	1 donor	4 donors
\$3000 - \$4,999	6 donors	4 donors
\$2000 - \$2999	4 donors	2 donors
\$1000 - \$1999	15 donors	21 donors
\$500 - \$999	17 donors	23 donors
\$250 - \$499	11 donors	17 donors
\$100 - \$249	24 donors	44 donors
\$1 - \$99	21 donors	38 donors

While individual donors are the financial backbone of Gracing Spaces, institutional giving adds to our ability to serve our clients. This year we received financial support from several organizations:

In addition to individual donations, Gracing Spaces received generous financial support from several churches and organizations:

- ELCA World Hunger - \$10,000 (Year 1 of 3)
- Lord of Life Lutheran Church - \$1,800
- ELCA Gifts of Hope - \$1646.09
- Blankingship and Keith - \$1,000
- Centreville United Methodist Church - \$840
- Emmanuel Lutheran Church - \$800
- Terraforma Church - \$500
- Centreville United Methodist Church United Women of Faith - \$438
- St. Mark's Lutheran Church WELCA - \$200



Statement of Financial Position and Activity (Unaudited)

Statement of Financial Position	
As of and for the year ended 12/31/2025	
Assets	
Cash	\$91,070
Investments	\$187,220
Total Assets	\$278,290
Lease Obligations	\$115,000
Total Liabilities	\$115,000
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	\$111,290
Restricted	\$52,000
Total Net Assets	\$163,290

Statement of Activity	
As of and for the year ended 12/31/2025	
Contributions	
Cash	\$204,284
Nonfinancial – Mission	\$370,953
Nonfinancial – Other	-
Total Contributions	\$575,237
Expenses	
Program Support	\$155,521
Program Support - Nonfinancial	\$370,953
General and Administrative	\$11,422
Total Expenses	\$537,896
Net Change	\$37,341

Notes: Restricted funds are board designated reserves or donor designated for particular projects. Nonfinancial contributions represent the value of goods that we provide to our clients. Gracing Spaces is an all-volunteer organization and has no paid employees.

Unaudited

Selected Budget to Actual Information

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget
Revenues:			
Individual Cash Donations	\$125,000	\$173,493	\$150,000
Institutional Cash Donations	\$27,500	\$30,791	\$33,400
Investment Income			\$6,000
Total Revenue	\$152,500	\$204,284	\$189,400
Non-cash Donations (Client Goods)	\$250,000	\$370,953	\$400,000
Program Expenses:			
Beds and Mattresses	\$10,000	\$12,520	\$13,500
Linens	\$1,000	\$3,352	\$5,900
Other Client Goods	\$4,600	\$3,734	\$5,200
Furniture Repair Supplies	\$2,500	\$1,949	\$2,500
Trucks – Gas/Maintenance	\$17,000	\$10,497	\$17,000
Trucks – Insurance	\$4,500	\$3,416	\$4,500
Trucks – Reserve Fund	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Storage Rental	\$55,000	\$70,053	\$78,500
Operations – Reserve Fund	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
Miscellaneous			\$1,000
Total Program Expenses	\$144,600	\$155,521	\$178,100
Administrative Expenses			
Liability Insurance	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200
Information Technology	\$1,500	\$2,125	\$2,800
Marketing and Fundraising	\$3,000	\$3,702	\$3,000
Licensing	\$200	\$545	\$600
Professional Fees	\$2,000	\$3,850	\$2,200
Miscellaneous			\$1,000
Total Administrative Expenses	\$7,900	\$11,422	\$10,800
Total Expenses	\$152,500	\$166,943	\$188,900





"The furniture was such a blessing to this family. Some teachers from school helped unload along with the mom. She had to excuse herself several times because she was so overcome with emotion! The kids watched quietly with huge smiles on their faces. We moved in some of the bigger items like the couch, but the smaller pieces were unloaded into the garage. Mom wanted to go through everything with her children and decide where things would go.



The whole experience just reaffirmed the importance of Gracing Space and the critical work that Gracing Spaces does. This mom is so overwhelmed, and we just took some of that heaviness off of her. It was so heartwarming! I thank you and the whole team for making it happen!

- Julie Grace (Prince William County Public Schools)

*"I got a chance to talk to Ms. P this afternoon. Just wanted to pass on a huge **thank you** for everything you and your team did to make her space feel special. She was most excited to tell me about the card everyone signed and gave her-- this is such a testament to show that what you guys do isn't just putting stuff in people's apartments, but making them feel seen and that their new space is a home."*

- A Makeover Social Worker



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