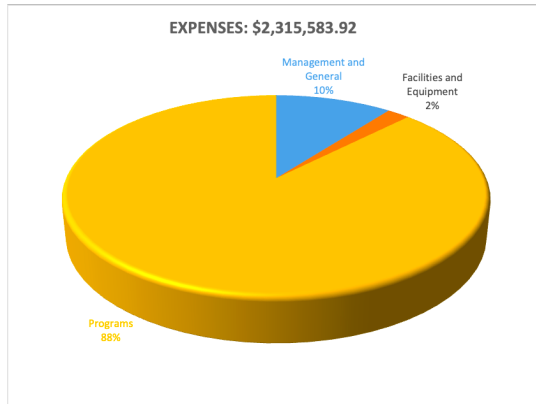
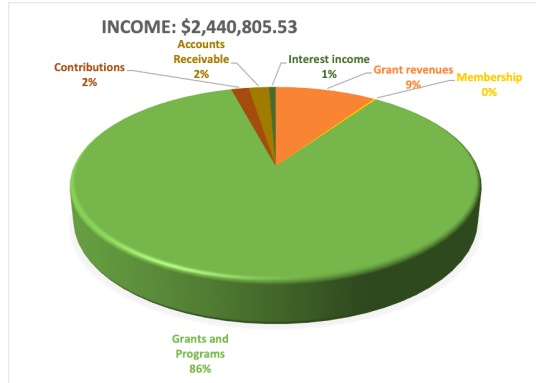


## 2021 Financial Report



## 2021 Impact

It would be impossible to quantify the number of people reached through the programs of NBN and the assistance NRC provides for other organizations. NBN programs impacted approximately 25,000 people in eastern Oklahoma through food distribution, educational support, training, events, partnerships, media campaigns, and community outreach. The organizations assisted by our Nonprofit Resource Center impacted countless people in need throughout Oklahoma and the nation.

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*NBN and St. Francis Health System Muskogee partner to distribute Christmas food baskets for community (above)  
St. Francis awards NBN a \$100,000 check to support programs that address health issues in Muskogee (below)*



Neighbors Building Neighborhoods of Muskogee, Inc. (NBN) improves the quality of life in Eastern Oklahoma through education, organizational support, and coalition building. This broad mission empowers us to provide a wide range of programs. Initiatives include substance abuse prevention, youth programs, and community revitalization.

## A Year of Service



### **2021 Nonprofit of the Year**

*Muskogee Area Chamber of Commerce (above)*

### **2021 Community Champion**

*Lake Area United Way (below)*



“For the past two years, our community has suffered from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Even as we have all struggled with the challenges of battling the illness and isolation, the lockdowns and distancing, the fears and uncertainties, I have been encouraged by the dedication of the staff, volunteers and board members of NBN through these difficult times. NBN remained steadfast in its mission to meet critical needs for the people of Eastern Oklahoma. While we tend to work in the background, our tireless service has not gone unnoticed by the community. For this, I am incredibly grateful.”

*Kim Lynch, Executive Director*

## MEETING THE CHALLENGE

While the COVID-19 pandemic provided many challenges, NBN remained committed to improving the quality of life for people in Eastern Oklahoma. Even though access was limited by safety protocols, we found innovative ways to continue our programming and services to meet the needs of our community.

### **Community-based Prevention Programs**

NBN coordinates several programs addressing substance use issues for residents in Eastern Oklahoma. These programs include substance use education for adults and juveniles, leadership for area drug and alcohol task forces, community and school risk assessments, law enforcement training, distribution of drug lockboxes and drug deactivation bags, used syringe collections, and several media campaigns.

### **Dream Team Youth Programs**

The Dream Team after school and summer programs impacted 250 children and their families through its educational instruction and nutritional support. These youth programs help students excel in academics, learn social skills, and become productive citizens and offer guidance from community leaders, nutritional meals, and a safe environment for the youth of Muskogee. 92% of participants improved academically and 98% learned new things and stayed on grade level.

### **Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA)**

NBN’s Americorps VISTA members served in 7 programs: Lake Area United Way, Muskogee Teen Center/Youth Volunteer Corps, Dream Team Youth Programs, NBN Food Box Distribution, Muskogee Alumni/Community Band, Community Treasures Youth Summer Camp and Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma.

### **Summer Food Service Program**

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center served as the central kitchen to feed students during the summer months. 14,263 meals and 3,253 snacks were served to youth in Muskogee at 6 different sites.

### **Community Treasures**

125 K-6th grade students participated in this weekly summer camp that allowed them to explore subjects through hands-on experiments, crafts, special guests, field trips, and activities.

### **NBN Food Box Distribution Project**

In partnership with the City of Muskogee and Go Fresh, NBN successfully coordinated the distribution of 5,513 food boxes this summer to some 4,800 citizens, including 660 veterans.

### **Nonprofit Resource Center (NRC)**

The NRC provides consultation and technical assistance in nonprofit incorporation, governance, law, finance, fundraising, grant writing, program development and more. Over the past year, the grant writing services had 47 grants awarded totaling \$2,417,668. These funds supported charitable programs throughout Oklahoma. The financial services department provided bookkeeping and fiscal sponsorship for 22 different area organizations.