



Annual Report 2018

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Faith in Action Georgetown van rider, Charlie Williams, has turned into the agency's social butterfly, riding to Wal-Mart and HEB each week. After suffering a stroke and heart attack and being involved in an automobile accident, Charlie found himself unable to drive and with an excess of free time at home. His wife, Barbara, said she was constantly watching her husband and making sure he was okay. The couple didn't realize the toll it was taking until after Charlie started riding FIAG's Go-Van-Go in September of 2018.

"We didn't realize we weren't fine until it got better!" said Barbara.

Since his first trip, Charlie has ridden shotgun, opening and closing the vehicle's doors, assisting clients with their shopping and visiting with other riders along the way.

Independence is a major quality of life indicator and Faith in Action helped maintain that for **788** clients in **2018** with **350** trained volunteers who provided **5,511** rides to medical appointments, **2,301** rides to grocery outings, and **2,961** rides for personal errands. With the launch of the Go-Van-Go program in July, **613** rides were provided to seniors like Charlie to the grocery store, along with social outings and Wolf Ranch shopping in December. The number of hours totals **16,381** which amounts to **\$411,163** in volunteer hours for Georgetown.*

While Charlie is cultivating friendships among FIAG van riders, Barbara said she uses that time to garden, read and just decompress. Their daughter, Cory Williams, added that those trips give her parents separate experiences and things to talk about; something that wouldn't happen if her father stayed home all day.

Other riders benefit from Charlie's helpfulness. He's partnered with another rider who has macular degeneration and uses a motorized shopping cart, helping her get around the store more efficiently. As riders wait on benches after shopping, he said they swap stories, from cancer to Alzheimer's and who has family nearby. For some, he said, the riders have become family.

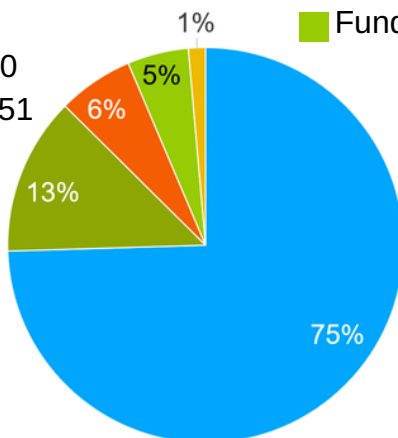
*Independent Sector Volunteer Hour Rate for Texas in 2018 is \$25.10.



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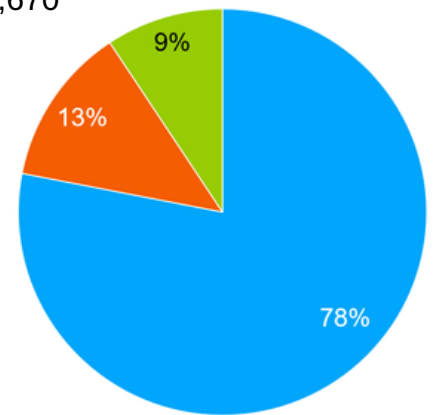
Revenue

- Grants - \$351,352
- Contributions - \$60,865
- Special Events - \$29,108
- Church Sponsorships - \$23,580
- Other Income & Interest - \$6,551



Expenses

- Programs - \$232,129**
- Management & General - \$37,605
- Fundraising - \$27,670



**Capitalized assets are not included in the expense totals.

Mapping for Growth in 2018!



Vickie Orcutt
Executive Director

Faith in Action Georgetown continues to poise itself for current and prospective growth with the help of our donors, volunteers, board, and staff. We experienced another record year surpassing our point-to-point rides with 10,773! In December 2018, a new board was oriented with 7 new and 4 veteran members. The board structure aimed for diversity across skill set, ethnicity, gender, and age. This transition positions Faith in Action to look forward strategically in order to continue to meet the growing need of seniors who no longer drive.

Thank you for keeping seniors connected to our community!

Be the KEY to Independence!

The growth continues, but only with your help. As Georgetown continues to expand and age, our services will be needed more than ever. Check below to see how you can serve:

- Offer your time and volunteer
- Offer your experience and be a part of the Board or a Committee
- Offer your financial gifts so more seniors can have access

Connect with Melinda at 512-868-9544 or melinda.szabo@faithinactiongt.org to learn what you can offer.

