

HAPPENINGS



Volunteers from Chicken and Pickle helping at The Treehouse.



Cristin celebrating her 10 year anniversary at The Treehouse.



Karey and Nicolette receiving donations from Charissa JarboeGale, Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultant and her husband Bill.



Jaleen, Bishop Basil, Cristin and Karey at The Chancery for Lazarus Saturday.



Treehouse Volunteer Holiday Party.



American AgCredit Health and Wealth Day

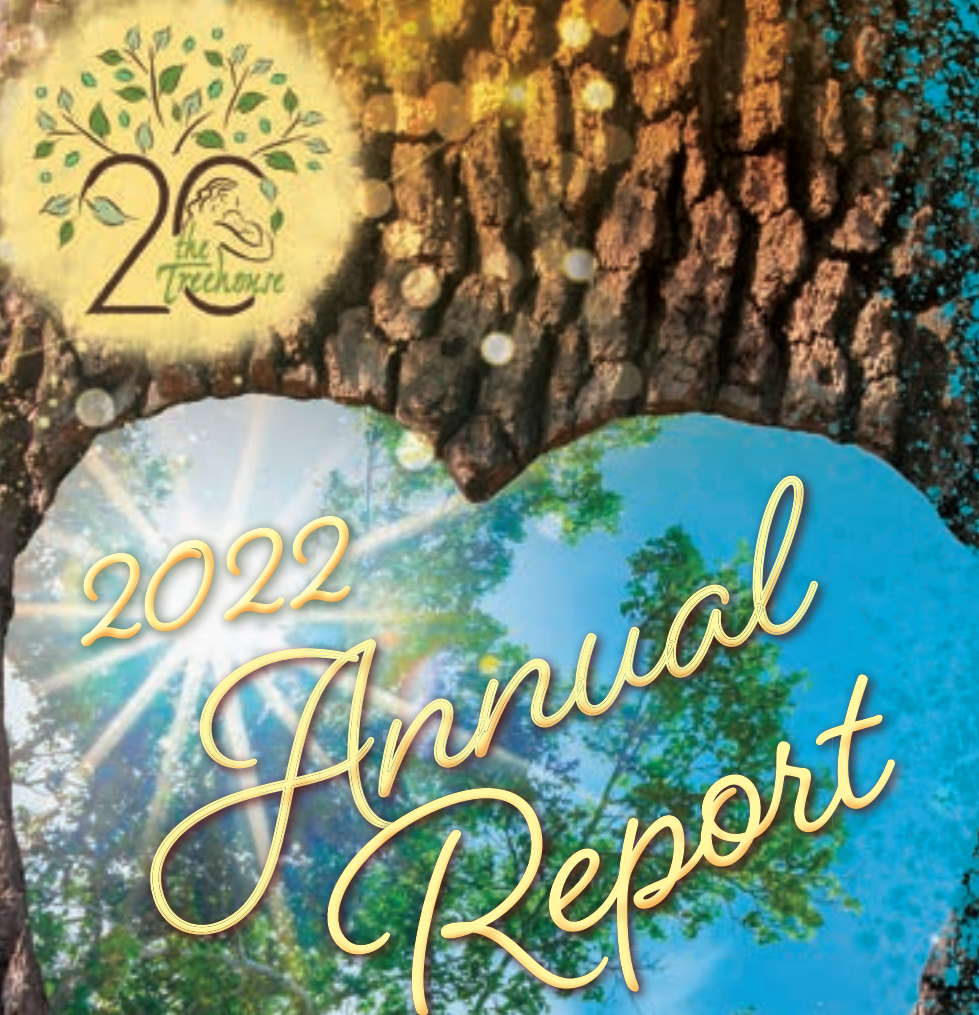


Cristin and Karey receiving a grant for formula from The Junior League.



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To become a sponsor or to purchase tickets contact us at 316-686-2600 or visit wichitatreehouse.org



2023 STAFF

Karey Padding, LMSW, *Executive Director*
 Cristin Coats, *Director of Operations*
 Jaleen Claassen, *Director of Client Services*
 Nicolette Ellison, *Development Director*
 Tish Seely, *Playroom Supervisor*

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Celebrating
20 YEARS

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As I reflect on my first full year serving as the Executive Director of The Treehouse, I can't help but smile and be extremely grateful. I am so proud of our team's accomplishments during this past year – our 20th anniversary year – and am even more excited for what is in store for 2023. Over the past 20 years, The Treehouse has continued to make a positive impact on the lives of moms and babies throughout the Wichita community. Through the grace of God, The Treehouse has experienced sustained growth, both in terms of overall numbers of moms served, as well as in new programs and classes attended. And while these numbers grow and our programs evolve, we are proud the goal and the mission of The Treehouse has remained unchanged: **to offer mothers and babies a brighter future through sharing God's love, basic necessities, education and genuine personal care.**



During our 20th Anniversary year, it was fun to celebrate our past, as well as look forward to where God is leading us. Our anniversary year began in January with a Blessing of The Treehouse. In February, we were able to get a new roof, painting and guttering for our building. In March, we hosted our first Open House, which has now become a quarterly event. We held a wonderful Mother's Day event and Appeal, and hosted coffee hours at St. George, St. Mary and St. Michael. We partnered with local restaurants on several Grub and Give campaigns, we sent out newsletters to our donors and volunteers and updated our website and social media accounts (follow us on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube and TikTok, as well as our website www.wichitatreehouse.org). The Treehouse welcomed a new team member, Nicolette Ellison, Development Director, in August and she has been a wonderful addition to the team! Along with American AgCredit (Greg and Elena Somerhalder), we hosted our first ever Health and Wealth Day/Resource Fair for moms at The Treehouse. We had almost 70 moms in attendance, connecting with numerous local vendors and community partners. It was an amazing day for us all and we can't wait to do it again in 2023.

As exciting as these moments were for us, we experienced another form of growth; a growth in need for the moms we serve. A large formula recall and shortage in February 2022, along with price increases on basic necessities have stretched our moms thin this entire year. The Treehouse was featured three times in 2022 on local news stations reporting on our struggles to keep formula in stock and meet the demand of the moms and babies we serve. One mom called and said she was giving her 2 month old son watered down milk, because she couldn't find the formula he needed. Even though we had been closed for over an hour, I had her meet me at the Treehouse, gave her the formula she so desperately needed and got her signed up for our educational programs to earn (and learn) even more.

The Treehouse is a safe place where moms can develop and cultivate meaningful and supportive relationships. And it's more important than ever that we continue to broaden our community support, collaboration and partnerships, make adjustments where needed, and be ready and hopeful for new growth. We are so thankful for the gifts we received this year in the form of monetary donations, grants, volunteered time and talents, donated baby items and formula, and continued support from those who love us and support us year after year. I am so excited to see how our faithful team, volunteers, donors, Board members, and church and community partners will bring positive change this year to the moms and babies we serve. **May God grant The Treehouse many more years!**

Karey Padding, LMSW, Executive Director

2022 MISSION HIGHLIGHTS

IN-KIND DONATIONS RECEIVED **\$246,308.34**

POUNDS OF DONATIONS RECEIVED **18,415**

NEW MOMS **244**

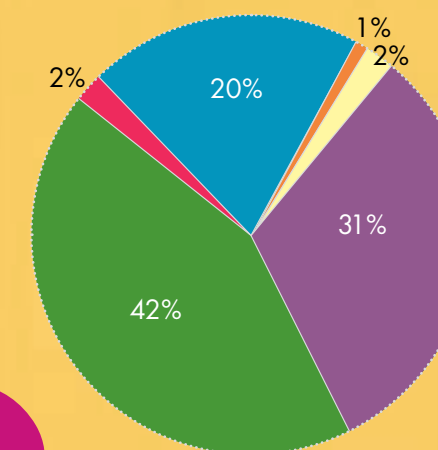
NEW BABIES **384**

DIAPERS/PULL-UPS CHANGED **34,788**

BABIES FED **598 cans of 24 oz. formula**

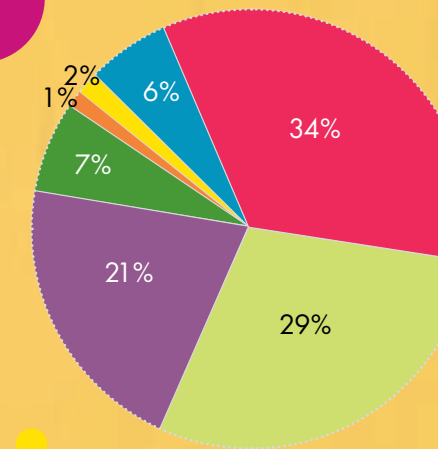
BABY SHOWER IN A BAG **90**

THRIFT STORE VISITS **2,669**



Ethnicity of New Moms

African American	20%
Asian	1%
Bi-Racial	2%
Caucasian	31%
Hispanic	42%
Native American	2%



Age of New Moms

18 or younger	6%
19-24	34%
25-30	29%
31-36	21%
37-42	7%
43-48	1%
49 or over	2%

CLASSES ATTENDED **922**

VOLUNTEER HOURS **2,722**

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN **2,701**

THE TREEHOUSE STATISTICS

	2021	2022
In-Kind Donations Received	\$203,444.85	\$246,308.34
Pound of Donations Received	18,415	18,995
New Moms Served	134	244
New Babies Served	461	384
Diapers & Pull-Ups Earned	22,820	34,788
Cans of Formula Earned	343	598
Layettes Earned	58	90
Thrift Store Visits Completed	1,586	2,669
Classes Attended by Moms	541	922
Volunteer Hours Served	2,547	2,722
Earn While You Learn Videos Viewed	1,644	2,701