# ANNUAL REPORT



Fiscal Year 2021-22

### A YEAR IN REVIEW

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The 2021-22 year was, in many ways, a return to normal. Yet, it was a momentous year for The Legacy Center. We returned to in-person programs in classrooms and brought tutors and learners back into the office. We also entered our second year of the JUMP Math program.

It was also a year of change. We welcomed two new staff members, offered our first math course with Open Door residents, participated in our first Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament fundraiser, conducted the fourth Midland County Youth Study and piloted an after school reading and socialemotional learning intervention program called Read2Lead. As our traditional programs returned to normal sizes and our JUMP Math program grew to 20 students, we became squeezed for space, forcing many tutoring pairs to find space at other locations in the community. In March 2022, we began to create a vision for a new tutoring center and office in the building that formerly housed St. Timothy's Lutheran Church on Abbott Road. The new site would offer more room for tutoring, ample office space for staff, and a large meeting room. By June 2022, we had laid the groundwork for a move during the 2022-23 program year.

Thank you for your support as we continue to impact the Midland community and beyond.

## Literacy Programs

### 7,257 Hours of Tutoring

### **Barton Reading**

98 Participants

26 Left/Dismissed

17 Graduated

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- Graduates:
  - Gained an average of 5.5 grade levels
  - Increased from 16th percentile to 39th percentile

### JUMP Math

20 Participants 3 Graduated

- Participants averaged 81.5 hours.
- Graduates increased from 20th percentile to 68th percentile

### **Adult Basic Education & ESL**

- 20 ABE Participants 16 ESL Participants
- 35 out of 36 tutored 12+ hours
- 18 out of 36 tutored 40+ hours
  17 were post-tested
- 35.3% of those post-tested achieved measurable skill gain

# Jumpstart Math with Midland's Open Door

In partnership with Midland's Open Door and Emmanuel Baptist Church, The Legacy Center's adult literacy team offered an intensive math class for adult residents of Midland's Open Door. The program started with five current or former residents of Midland's Open Door. Participants gained confidence and skills in math, taught through real-life situations.



Four of five participants achieved more than forty hours of instruction, meaning they could be post-tested. All four participants demonstrated improvements and two had measurable skill gains, meaning that they moved up a level.

After five weeks of learning as a cohort, The Legacy Center and Midland's Open Door hosted a graduation ceremony for participants! Participants brought guests and everyone enjoyed a celebration cake!



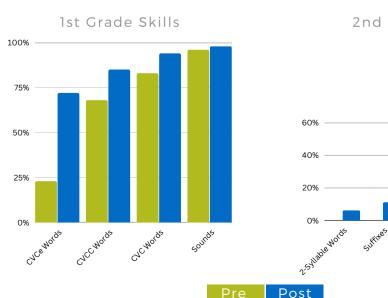
### **Read2Lead Pilot**

In response to the learning losses that occurred during COVID, The Legacy Center offered an after-school reading intervention program in the spring of 2022. The program combined social emotional learning and small group phonics-based reading instruction. Read2Lead crossed programs - using expertise from our Literacy and Prevention Teams! The students participated in the after-school program three days per week. Each session included a lesson from the Too Good After School Activities curriculum and the Phonics Booster Bundle from the 99 Percent Group.

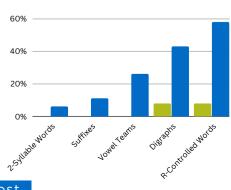
Students demonstrated significant growth as a result of the program.

Eleven second grade students who were significantly behind in reading instruction participated. The program costs were covered by The Legacy Center, First Baptist Church, and other local churches. The program was offered at no cost to participants.





2nd Grade Skills



## Prevention

#### **Too Good: Social Perspectives**

The Legacy Center's Prevention team taught Too Good: Social Perspectives to 387 students at Bullock Creek Middle School and Coleman Junior High. Pre and post surveys indicated that students increased knowledge in nine of the eleven risk and protective factors measured. Of those, five were statistically significant, including Goal Setting and Decision Making, Effective Communication, Bonding with Pro-Social Peers, Social and Peer Influence, and Anger Management. These statistically significant increases can be directly attributed to the Too Good for Violence Program.

#### **Dump Your Drugs!**

8 Events 425 Visitors 325 Pounds Collected

#### **INDEPTH Vaping Intervention**

The Legacy Center's Prevention team taught 53 sessions of INDEPTH, a vaping intervention program, with 76 youth at middle and high schools in Midland County in program year 2021-22. These sessions are intended to help students learn about the health impacts of vaping, assess their habits, and learn tips for quitting. When students are addicted, quitting takes time and commitment. This can be the first step. Most participants in the program indicate an increase in their motivation to quit. Early in the 2022-23 schoolyear, we received the following note from a local principal, "I had a student tell me today that the lessons he went through with you last year have been helping him. He is using the strategies you taught him to help when he is craving nicotine."

#### **Tobacco Compliance**

76 Retailer Education Visits

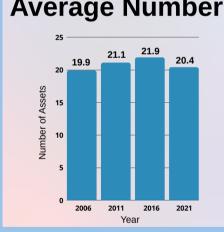
20 Compliance Checks

> **19** Did NOT Sell to Minor

# Midland County Youth Study

In the fall of 2021, The Legacy Center and Midland Kids First partnered with local school districts to conduct the fourth Midland County Youth Study. Using Search Institute's Attitudes & Behaviors Survey, The Legacy Center has surveyed youth every five years since 2006. This survey was especially important since it collected data on youth risk and protective factors as we emerged from the COVID-19 pandemic.

In total, 4,389 sixth through twelfth grade students participated, accounting for 69% of Midland County middle and high school students. Overall, students reported 1.5 fewer Developmental Assets than in the 2016 survey. While most Developmental Assets declined, Positive Peers increased. This asset is a significant protective factor and likely attributed to the relative stability in unhealthy risk behaviors. One category of Internal Assets, Positive Identity Assets, which includes Self-esteem, Sense of Purpose, Personal Power, and Positive View of Personal Future, declined significantly. This, alone, was concerning. Regression analyses indicated that these assets are inversely correlated to mental health risk behaviors, including depression, suicide attempts, and eating disorders. These mental health concerns rose significantly since 2016, pointing to a need to invest in students' Positive Identity Assets.



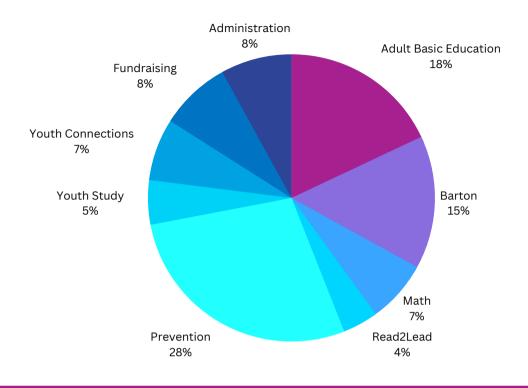
### Average Number of Assets

Average Number of Developmental Assets held by youth increased from 2006-2016, but declined from 2016-2021.

Throughout the spring of 2022, The Legacy Center and Midland Kids First staff gave more than **45 programs** on the survey results to over **700 participants** throughout Midland County. Many organizations are adapting their initiatives to address this decline in Assets.

## **Financial Report**

### Total Expenses: \$651,956



### Total Income: \$619,775.89

