



togetherness to end homelessness

2022 impact report





FROM HOMELESS TO HOPEFUL



When does a house become home?

When it's a place that fosters joy, a place for experiencing safety, warmth, and comfort. A place of belonging, and new beginnings.

At Humble Design, our hearts help us do the heavy lifting by offering a fresh start and designing a life-changing space.

Our mission is to change lives and communities by transforming houses into homes for those emerging from homelessness.

With warehouses filled with donated furniture and household goods, we turn empty houses into clean, dignified, and welcoming homes for the recently homeless so that families can begin again.

Our services help provide our clients with sanctuary, stability, and hope – a critical element in ending the cycle of homelessness. It would take an average Humble client 18 years to save enough money to furnish a home in the way we do in just a few hours.

What started as a small endeavor has now blossomed into a national nonprofit and a worldwide movement of empathy for those who feel unseen. Humble Design is revolutionizing the way we approach homelessness by providing not just shelter, but also hope, dignity, and a fresh start. The impact is astounding—families who have been touched by Humble Design now boast an incredible 99% success rate of remaining in their homes, breaking the cycle of homelessness.

We assist in the transformation of lives in Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, San Diego, and Seattle.

Since 2009, our staff and volunteers have turned moving in, into moving forward.

NATIONAL

HUMBLE NATIONWIDE TOTAL STATISTICS

In 2009, Humble Design was born. Since its inception in Detroit, we have grown to five cities and have helped thousands of individuals restart their lives after exiting homelessness.

2,910+

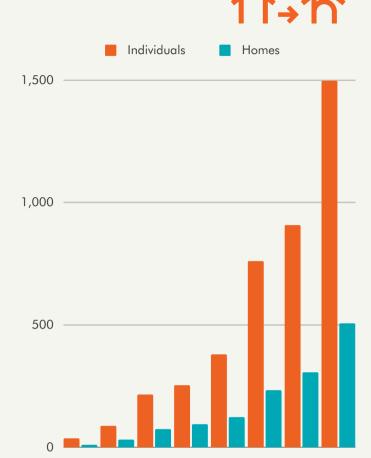
HOMES FURNISHED SINCE 2009*

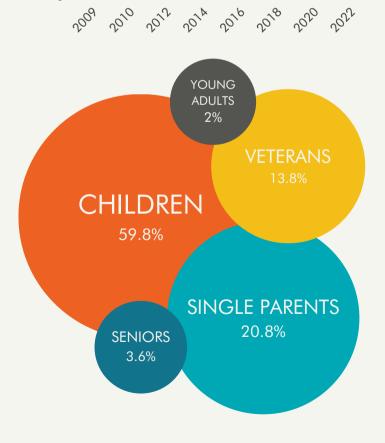
We furnish each home with the same care, empathy, and dignity we would offer our friends and family.

8,564+

INDIVIDUALS SERVED SINCE 2009*

Entering housing is an important step in the journey out of homelessness, but not enough to solve the problem. Humble Design ends the revolving door of homelessness by creating homes where families can find peace, strength, and hope. We transform a space into a home that fosters comfort, stability, and pride—allowing the families to focus on their personal and financial stability, including education, home life, employment, and building a better future.





DETROIT HUMBLE DESIGN

When the pandemic hit, our staff had to shift our process to continue our mission for those who needed us. This trying time put into sharp focus how important a comfortable home can change someone's future. Many of our clients became very concerned about their children's ability to attend online courses when they had no office, computer, or homework supplies. When we furnish a child's room and set up a space for them to work from, this dynamic shifts to produce better attendance and increased participation in school.

2022 MISSION

We have grown the mission to three homes per week to serve more people than ever. We believe our model could serve so many more with the growth of our program.





14,971
INDIVIDUAL DONORS

\$676,656

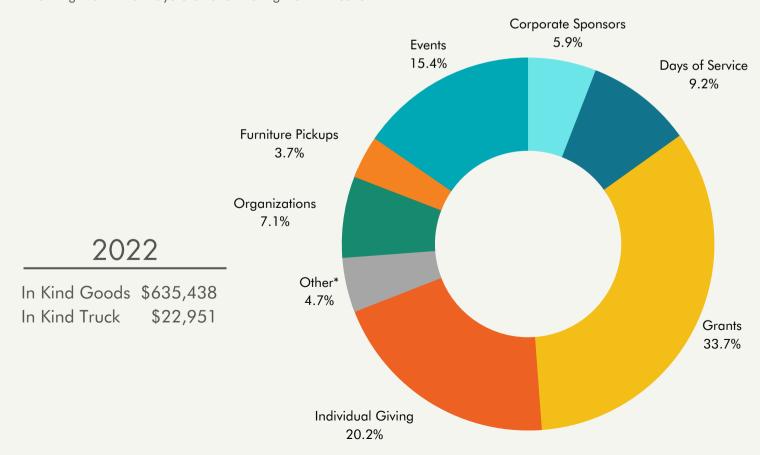
RAISED IN 2022

HUMBLE DETROIT PARTNERS

Our program is simple but profoundly impactful. None of us can do it alone. Each of us plays an important role in our mission to stop the revolving door of homelessness and strengthen our communities. With your help, Humble Design can make a house into a home. Join us in this purposeful work and help us prepare the environment from which transformation begins.

After completion of the 2022 audit, we are proud to announce that .86 cents of every dollar raised go to the program at Humble Design.

We are an environmental partner with 1% For The Planet, boast a 99%, four-star rating on Charity Navigator, and have earned a Platinum Level badge on GuideStar. Our donors can give with confidence, knowing we will always steward their gifts with care.



^{*}Other includes: Matching Gifts, Retail, and Agency Sponsorship

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HUMBLE 2022

community projects

19,895+

volunteers hours logged

148

houses designed



486

individuals served

1,762,500+

pounds of donated furniture reused with purpose

18

years for most of our families to fully-furnish their homes - given their current income. 307

children in their own Humble beds