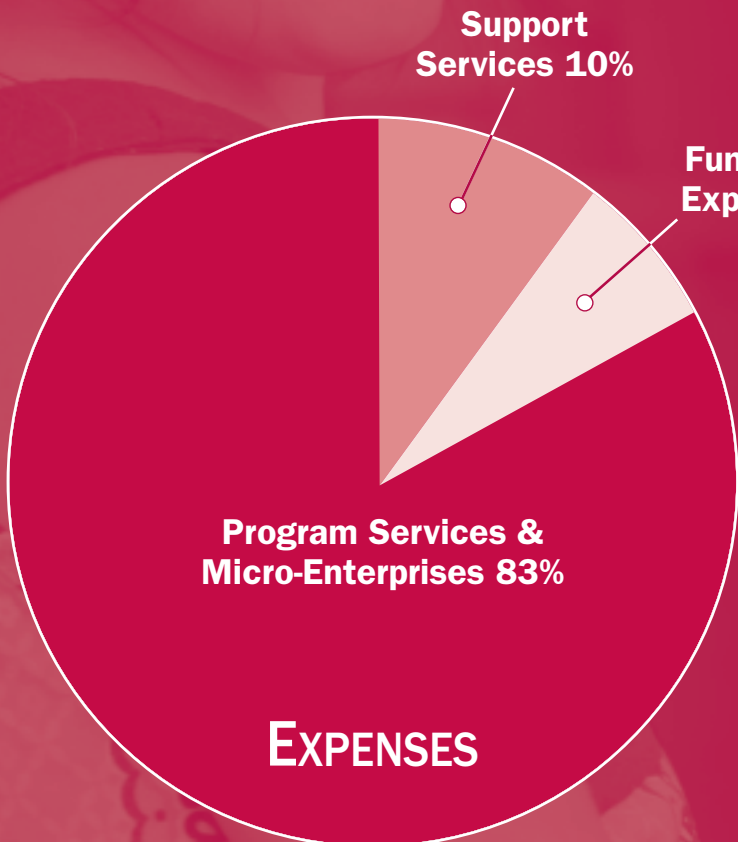
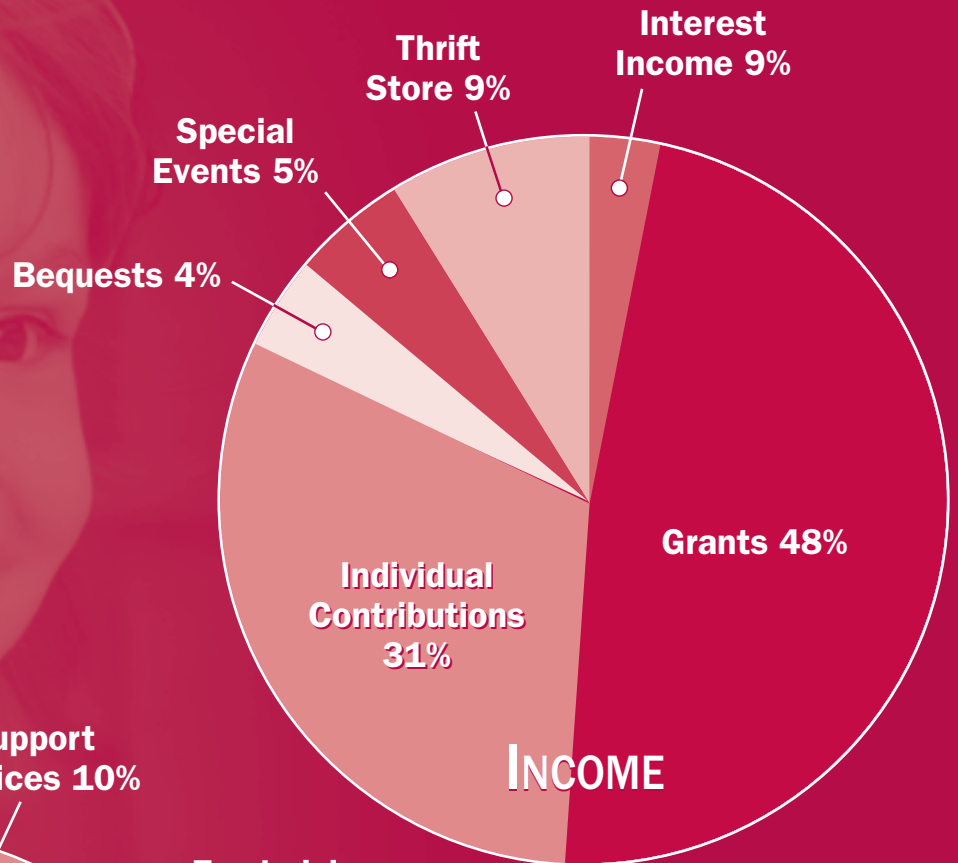


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2008-Moving Forward

In 2008, we witnessed the greatest economic downturn in more than 90 years. The rise of unemployment, housing foreclosures, and food costs contributed to an increase in the number of homeless and at-risk families and individuals seeking community services. Yet, despite the economic climate and while many non-profits reduced staff, reduced programs or simply closed their doors, The Lord's Place met the challenges head-on by expanding its services, rising up as a beacon of hope and a pathway to dignity and economic self-sufficiency. Thanks to the foresight of our Board of Directors and the support of our loyal donors, many of whom have graciously given for more than 25 years, the agency continues to improve the quality of our services.

In 2008, the Palm Beach County Commissioners approved the Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness, and The Lord's Place was there to lend our expertise in writing the plan and help lead the charge in implementation.

In 2008, the Engagement Center became a central "point-of-entry" for homeless and at-risk families and individuals to access homeless services and provide an entryway to the agency's internal continuum of care. In the first year of operation, the Engagement Center served a total of 17,641 individuals and 235 families. The Recovery Center, our new emergency housing program, also welcomed more than 70 men from the Engagement Center. Finally, we also implemented another HUD permanent supportive housing program for eight chronically homeless single men and women.

In 2008, the creation of our Micro-Enterprise program demonstrated our innovative approach to blending services with revenue. The program brought together under one department our revenue-producing entities: Cafe Joshua Catering Company, Maintenance & Beyond and the Thrift Store.

2008 was a great year in moving forward for the agency and striving to reach a higher level of services for our clients. On behalf of a compassionate Board of Directors, a professional and hardworking staff, and a supportive team of Volunteers, The Lord's Place is pleased to offer for your review the agency's Annual Report for 2008. As we look toward the future, we thank our community partners for their support.



***Together, we will end homelessness
one life at a time, one person at a time.***