The Mission and Justice Fund

(formerly the Human Development Fund) 2023 Recipients

This year marks the 54th year the people of Northaven Church have made donations to worthy organizations in support of addressing critical needs in Dallas and beyond. The fund name was changed this year to the Mission and Justice Fund. \$64,934 was distributed through 13 donations. The 2023 recipients were:

<u>Christ's Foundry United Methodist Mission:</u> Christ's Foundry United Methodist Mission provides care and support for the educational, social, physical, and spiritual needs of families primarily in the North Love Field/Bachman community.

<u>Cultiv8 Community</u>: The Cultiv8 Community is a United Methodist extension ministry whose mission addresses the creation of life and improving habitat. Based on a farm near Paris, Texas, the community aims to restore land and to bring a human community to a natural state with God. The focus is on poverty, life-affirming experience, and habitat restoration.

<u>GROW North Texas:</u> GROW North Texas connects North Texans to food, farms, and community. The goal is to create a sustainable and secure regional food system.

<u>Maria Madre de los Pobres:</u> Maria Madre de los Pobres parish, located in a strife ridden area of El Salvador, has been a partner church of Northaven for 35+years.

<u>North Dallas Shared Ministries (NDSM)</u>: Northaven is a founding partner of North Dallas Shared Ministries and along with 44 other Covenant Congregations supports NDSM mission to address the disparity between household incomes that average \$800-\$1,800 monthly and the cost of living.

Organization for the Development of the Indigenous Maya (ODIM Guatemala): ODIM Guatemala is dedicated to improving the wellbeing and future of the Maya people in the communities of San Juan and San Pablo La Laguna on Lake Atitlan, Guatemala. The Mission and Justice Fund also make a separate grant in support of the church sponsored Guatemala mission trip this past year.

<u>Project Transformation</u>: Project Transformation North Texas was founded in 1998 in Dallas to better empower communities, provide summer programming to children, and develop young adult leaders.

<u>Reconciling Ministries Network (RMN)</u>: While living a shared baptismal covenant, RMN equips and mobilizes United Methodists to resist evil, injustice, and oppression as we seek justice for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities.

Resolana Program: Resolana's goal is to empower women in the Dallas County Jail to break the cycle of incarceration.

<u>Texas Impact:</u> Based in Austin, Texas Impact provides faith leaders and congregations with information, opportunities, and tools to educate their communities so that they may engage lawmakers on public policy issues. The ultimate goal is to help move faith communities from charity to justice.

<u>Vickery Meadow Youth Development Foundation:</u> Vickery Meadow Youth Development Foundation provides educational and enrichment programs for children and youth in the very low-income community of Vickery Meadow in Dallas.

<u>Wesley-Rankin Community Center (WRCC):</u> Wesley-Rankin Community Center in West Dallas provides education and resources to drive community transformation.

<u>Pastor's Discretionary Fund:</u> The Mission and Justice Fund also supports the Pastor's Discretionary Fund targeted for specific uses by the Pastor in support of Northaven's ministries and missions.