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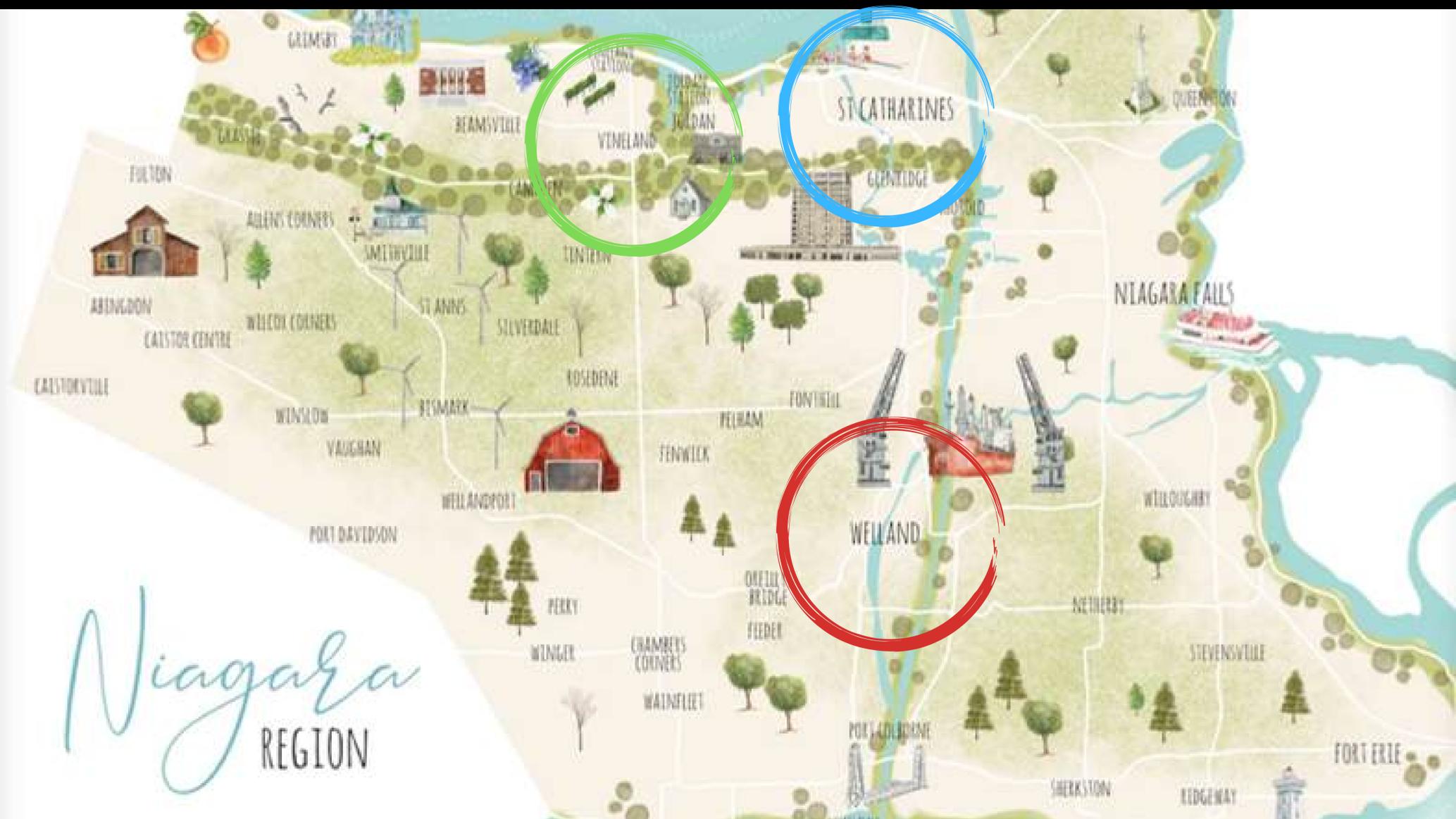
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About Southridge

At Southridge, our goal is to increasingly practice the kind of love Jesus modeled. We emphasize a way of life that's about more than just attending a weekly church service, but extends to all 168 hours of the week. And we're committed to being difference-makers where God has placed us.

Love Beyond Belief - Southridge seeks to live out a vision of what we call "Love Beyond Belief." This means two things: first, that our primary calling as Jesus followers is to live out his "Greatest Commandment" to love God and others, above and beyond our theological differences. That said, we appreciate, as a Jesus-centred, biblically-rooted, orthodox Christian church, that there are some theological essentials on which the Christian faith is founded, that we seek to understand, unite around, and faithfully live out as a community.

LGBTQ+ Inclusion - At Southridge, we believe that LGBTQ+ people are deeply loved by God and are full image bearers of God, each bringing unique value to our community. In that spirit, everyone is welcome to belong and participate in the life of our church. As a fully-inclusive Jesus-centred church, LGBTQ+ followers of Jesus have full and equal opportunity to participate in baptism, membership, leadership, employment, and marriage.

Community Integration - In living out Jesus' "Greatest Commandment" we are committed to loving our neighbours as ourselves. Our intention is for this not to simply be a mission-oriented program of our church, but to be woven into our lives as individuals and a community, including in our worship, life together, and in our kids and youth programs.

This is how we seek to live this out through our Anchor Causes:

Vineland - Caribbean-Canadian Community

Over the past 14 years we have been growing together as an increasingly integrated Caribbean-Canadian community in Vineland. As these friendships have grown, so have the efforts to meet the needs of the many in our community who serve as migrant farmworkers. **Learn more on pages 6-7.**

Welland - Food and Housing Insecurity

During the past 16 years in Welland, we have had the privilege of getting to know friends in the community experiencing disproportionate challenges from the lack of affordable food and housing. We currently work to meet these needs together and grow together in friendship. **Learn more on pages 8-9.**

St. Catharines - Homelessness Services

2025 marked our 20th year in Homelessness Services since the opening of our Southridge Shelter, integrating diverse supports with friendships that make the difference. **Learn more on pages 10-11.**

All Locations - Becoming Good Relatives

We are working to set a different trajectory as a church in our impact and relationship among Indigenous Peoples, which we call our journey towards 'becoming good relatives'. **Learn more on pages 12-13.**

All Locations - Global Compassion

Our efforts to extend compassion and justice towards less financially resourced global communities is facilitated through Compassion Canada. **Learn more on pages 14-15.**

Inspiration

This year, Our Sunday Teachings Series included the Book of Acts, Advent, the Book of Revelation, It Takes Our Village, and more!



Connection

18 BAPTISMS across our Community



"I was hit very severely with depression. It was like I had like 108 tabs going in my head all with sound...I was sitting on my front porch and I was reading a book just trying to enjoy the nature and I heard "Read". Everything just kind of went quiet and I heard again: "Read, my child". I knew at that point that that was God. I ordered myself a Bible. The more that I read, all of the tabs just sort of started closing and quieting. And by the end of August, I had read the entire Bible from front to back. All of the bad negativity is gone. And I want to devote my life to Jesus. So, Jesus talks about the shepherd leaving the 99 sheep to go and grab that one sheep and I am that sheep."

-Nicole B.

[Southridge Welland community member]

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

In 2024/2025 we started a seasonal Young Adults group that met as a 4 week seasonal group in the Fall, Winter and Spring! Between 15 and 20 Young Adults attended each of these sessions. It was such a success that we have launched a bi-weekly Young Adults group for 2026!

327 People Connected in 29 Life Groups

Mark started attending on Sundays in the fall and was inspired by a message to get connected to a Life Group. He was introduced to some members of a group who attended our Community Thanksgiving Dinner together. Mark was warmly welcomed to join them and felt blessed by what he called the 'A-Team'. This came at a time when he was hungry for Jesus and fellowship with siblings in Christ.

Family Ministry

In 2025, a major focus of family ministry was engaging families across our community, with a growing emphasis on connecting them to our anchor causes through an integrated approach. We intentionally designed these experiences with kids and families as a core audience, resulting in attendance that was 40-60% higher than the same or similar events last year.



In Vineland

Our Caribbean-Canadian Centre engaged kids and families by creating theme nights to go along with our social services serving migrant farmworkers.



In St. Catharines

Christmas and Thanksgiving Dinner as a church and Shelter community continue to be "us at our best." Our youth served over 350 guests and provided kids activities all evening long.



In Welland

Second Sunday events like Super Bowl parties, karaoke, BBQ's and potluck lunches are spaces that are designed with kids in mind to engage the whole family in friendships that make the difference.



ACTIVATE DAY CAMP

A mission-minded day camp, for kids to experience Jesus' life of Love.

We had 36 kids participated in the first-ever Activate, where they engaged in daily worship and teaching, games and crafts, and built meaningful friendships.

We also had 17 youth volunteers take part in our Launch and Lead Program. Through this program, they were given opportunities to recognize how they hear from God and discern where God is calling them. Each youth met one-on-one with Kaitlin Doornbos to begin that process, then went on to serve as group leaders throughout the week, learning to love as Jesus loved and lead with humility.



Camp was an incredible success because it gave our kids and youth opportunities to live beyond themselves. They learned about the ways God gives us the tools we need to work against a mystery in life (all tied back to our theme for the week - Scooby Doo!).

It also gave incredible opportunities to our youth to feel seen, needed and guided in their leadership abilities. Each and every one of them engaged with their full hearts loving as Jesus loved and serving as Jesus served.

206 KIDS AND YOUTH VOLUNTEERS MAKE OUR WEEKLY SUNDAY MORNING AND MID-WEEK EXPERIENCES HAPPEN!

Life Story - Youth in Action

Two youth from our St. Catharines location who served at Activate reached out to Ashley after camp and asked if they would be able to go to Harvest Kitchen. They wanted to continue to build relationships with some of the campers they connected with throughout the week.

This was an incredibly powerful testament to the experience these youth had. They saw the way that their presence influenced the lives of young people and they wanted to intentionally continue to engage in that way throughout the year.

YOUTH MINISTRY

2025 was a blur!

I wasn't able to work for the first three months of the year, but that season of youth ministry was carried so beautifully by our staff, youth leaders, and parents. I was so sad to miss amazing events like the Winter Retreats and Bowling Night, but so grateful for the community that stepped up and made them happen.

I was thrilled to return to work in April and loved planning ways to connect with students over the summer through pool parties, baseball games and Bible studies. Throughout the summer, we also spent time dreaming and planning for what the 2025/2026 year would look like, and we landed on two key goals:

- 1. Sr.Youth will dive deeper into all three of our Anchor Causes, discovering the "why" behind each one.** Through this integration, students are opening their eyes to experiences different from their own and learning how God calls us to a love that leads to action.
- 2. Creating intentional space for Jr and Sr Youth to worship and learn together, while also providing opportunities for age-specific connection.** From this the monthly Worship + nights were born. For the first hour of the evening, Jr and Sr Youth gather together to be led in worship by our youth band, play games, and hear a leader share the story of what God is doing in their life. For the second hour Jr. Youth has small group time and play a large group game. While the Sr. Youth have been going through the Alpha Youth series.

These events have been beautiful to witness as a leader. Watching our students grow in curiosity, leadership and love towards others has been a highlight of my year!

-Ashley E.

[Southridge Youth Pastor]



Caribbean-Canadian Community



Vineland Location

When we signed our family up for the Start the Party [potluck dinner in a Southridge home] we didn't know what we were in for exactly.

As new members of the church we had never done it before, but we liked the concept. A few days before the feast we received word that we would be gathering at Malivore Farm. We were intrigued!

That Sunday evening we were surprised and excited to learn that we would be hosted by employees of the farm, migrant farmworkers, including Michael and Barry, who would be bringing a taste of Jamaica to Niagara – and they did not disappoint! Upon entering their living quarters **we were greeted with a warm welcome and the incredible aroma of Caribbean cuisine.**

At the sight of the jerk chicken and baked fish we felt like our garden salad was a meagre contribution, but this sentiment was allayed by a perception that these men, despite their long hours in the kitchen, were very happy and proud to share their culture with us. Dinner guests included several more farm workers and six other families. When we had all arrived and had a chance to mingle, it was decided dinner should begin.

Michael led us with a beautiful grace and we all tucked into a delicious meal, balanced with meat, salad and fried rice, courtesy of Vuth. We got to know some of the families of Southridge while we ate around the large communal table, with soulful Christian music playing in the background. There were lots of laughs (young children at a table are always entertaining), some inevitable spills, and connections made with people young and, well, middle aged from near and far.

We left the dinner with very satisfied tummies and full hearts.

Our Start the Party experience was a reminder of why we choose Southridge to be our spiritual home. It is a church that exemplifies the true message and example of Jesus. To love God is to spend time with your neighbour; to break bread with your neighbour; to love your neighbour. This is what we are called to do – and Start the Party is a wonderful way to do it. Thanks again to our gracious hosts for sharing their home and their culture with us. Now, let's keep this party going!

-Justin K.

[Southridge Vineland community member]

2025 'Caribbean-Canadian Community' Overview

Our social services in support of the migrant farmworker community were carried out through the 'CARIBBEAN-CANADIAN CENTRE' at our Southridge Vineland location (3970 Glendale Ave., Vineland), featuring a Health Clinic (and a driving team to follow-up specialist appointments), Legal Clinic, Thrift Shop, and Social Drop-In, and which invites Canadians, including families with kids, to come and participate socially, watching soccer and football games or playing sports in the gym alongside Caribbean community members. Further **EVENTS** this year included a Welcome Concert, Bowling Tournament, BBQs, Caribbean-Canadian Church Services, and Harvest Celebration. Our **COMMUNITY CONNECT FARM TEAMS** existed to establish and grow connections between Caribbean and Canadian members of the community.



DID YOU KNOW?

Jobs under Canada's Seasonal Agricultural Worker Program are offered to Canadians and permanent residents first, meaning foreign workers are hired when Canadian labor isn't available, making migrant farmworkers essential drivers of Niagara's \$1.7 billion agricultural sector GDP.

"I come [to Southridge] every Sunday and it's like, 'I'm home'. If you should think of it there are so much things that goes on here that help us so much. That is so great, and I admire that so much about this church."

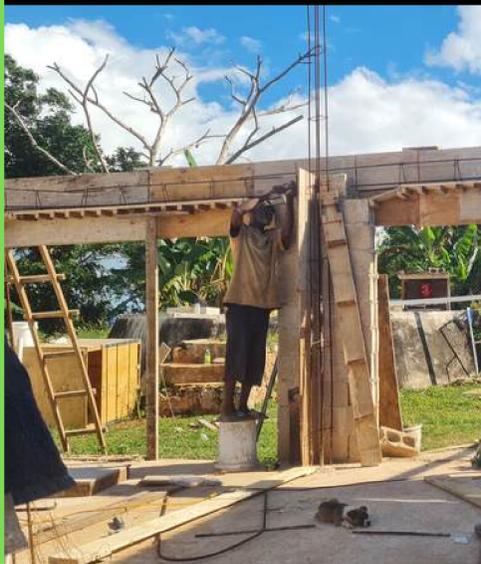
-Michael F.

[Southridge Community member and Jamaican farmworker]

\$13,040

RAISED IN SUPPORT OF JAMAICAN COMMUNITY MEMBERS IMPACTED BY HURRICANE MELISSA.

Funds were distributed among 12 Jamaican community members most deeply affected.



OUR THRIFT SHOP SERVED 357 CARIBBEAN SHOPPERS, THE MOST POPULAR ITEM WAS SHIRTS, REPRESENTING 476 OUT OF THE 1,506 ITEMS SELECTED THIS SEASON.



THE 2025 BOWLING TOURNAMENT WAS WON BY THE JAMAICAN TEAM WORKING AT MALIVOIRE FARMS

OUR COMMUNITY PROVIDED

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RIDES TO FOLLOW-UP SPECIALIST APPOINTMENTS



DID YOU KNOW?

Southridge has strategic partnerships with **Quest Community Health Care**, and **Niagara Community Legal Clinic**, who provide free health care and legal support on site, respectively.



\$31,713.64

2025 CARIBBEAN-CANADIAN COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Food and Housing Insecurity



Welland Location

I can still remember the first time I decided to come on Friday night and check out harvest kitchen, I had no idea what to expect or what I was going to do.

It was a summer barbecue and our guests were sitting around tables and volunteers were busy getting the food ready, I looked around trying to decide where to sit and wondering how to connect with the people I sat with. I sat with two ladies, introduced myself and we started to learn about each other.

It was much easier than I had imagined it would be.

Over the next few weeks the two ladies, Michelle and Cindy, would greet me warmly on Friday night when I saw them at Harvest Kitchen. They shared their struggles and that gave me an opportunity to help sometimes in practical ways with rides to appointments or sometimes just a listening ear.

Over the years, I have been able to reach out to others and develop friendships with others as well.

We have been given the opportunity to celebrate graduations, birthdays, as well as journey together through medical issues.

The thing that I am celebrating is the unexpected friendship that I get to experience on Friday. After we have finished supper, I have the opportunity to sit around a table and chat with two special friends (until Aimee turns the lights off 😊). This is a time of sharing both about their week and mine.

I would never have expected this when I first started coming out

to be part of Friday night supper, but I feel very blessed to have these new friendships.

-Linda G.

[Southridge Welland community member]

2025 'Food and Housing Insecurity' Overview

Our work to accompany our community through food and housing insecurity challenges this year were centred around our **HARVEST KITCHEN** community dinners which happened every Friday throughout the year (52 Fridays together!) at our Southridge Welland location (414 River Rd., Welland). Our **COLLECTIVE KITCHEN** cooking groups gathered a few times monthly, with everyone contributing \$20, learning to cook fresh meals together, and leaving with 20 meals each. The volunteer-led **COMMUNITY GARDEN** on site at the church grew vegetables for both of these kitchen programs, **SECOND SUNDAYS**, a monthly potluck after our Sunday morning church service, further brought us together over food and friendship, and **COMMUNITY CONNECT** created social connections between people to reduce isolation and foster mutual support.

In Case You Missed It...

Some of our social events included karaoke, picnics, BBQs, Super Bowl Sunday and potluck, trivia, Thanksgiving dinner, Christmas dinner, and more!

OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN PROVIDED **98 LBS** OF LETTUCE, **428** CELERY STALKS, OVER **200** LARGE TOMATOES AND **35** PINTS OF CHERRY TOMATOES, **29 LBS** OF GREEN BEANS, AND **A LOT MORE!**



DID YOU KNOW?

IN FEBRUARY WE HOSTED A 'PROCESSING UNCOMFORTABLE EMOTIONS' SEMINAR AFTER HARVEST KITCHEN



3,432 MEALS SERVED AT HARVEST KITCHEN

68 PARTICIPANTS AT COLLECTIVE KITCHEN

PREPARED AND TOOK HOME **1,360** MEALS



Next Gen

For the past three years our Southridge youth have been participating on certain Friday nights at Harvest Kitchen. They take turns serving food, sitting down and eating together with guests, and connecting socially.



\$92,379.39

2025 FOOD INSECURITY INVESTMENT



Did You Know?

Southridge has a strategic partnership with United Way, which has supported our food security programs since 2020.



United Way
Niagara



Homelessness Services



St. Catharines Location

April 1, 2025 marked a significant milestone for our church and our community: 20 years since we opened the doors to operate a homeless shelter in our St Catharines location.

As a 24/7 operation, the stats over the last 20 years are huge - 519,000 meals served, 280,000 bed nights offered, and countless connections made, BBQs hosted, and people who have had their lives changed forever because of how God met them in the midst of desperation and offered hope.

Beyond these statistics and stories though, I found myself reflecting on the journey represented by this anniversary. I'm acutely aware of the ways that my own life has been forever changed through the shelter and have found myself struggling to articulate what this anniversary meant for our church. Here's what I know for sure, though...

Opening our shelter in 2005 came from our church wanting to take the call to live out Jesus's radical love seriously.

It represented our church being willing to face the discomfort of the unknown and lean in to a deep dependence on God; willing to be attentive and responsive to the needs of others while coming to recognize how we meet Jesus and grow in faith in the process. This journey has allowed us to live out our faith in action and has come to shape the DNA of who we are as a community.

From there, as we've grown into three vibrant and beautiful missional expressions of our church, it also allowed us to dream big about what a 'shelter equivalent' in each location might be, again pursuing God's activity in and through us and in the community all around us.

So, looking ahead, I have a lot of confidence in what's to come; not because of our own efforts, but because **God has been faithful in protection and provision to sustain this ministry and we trust that God will continue to be faithful.**

Thank-you for your role in it. I'm deeply grateful to be the church alongside such passionate, relentless, and loving followers of Jesus.

-Annie F.

[Southridge Co-Lead Pastor]

2005-2025 'Homeless Services' Overview

Social-Service Timeline: On **April 1, 2005** we opened a **30 bed Shelter** in response to request from the Mayor and Regional Commissioner due to growing needs in the community. In **2012** we first began a **Housing First program**, working to take people out of the experience of homelessness and into stable housing. In **2020** we had a successful proposal through the Niagara Region that launched our full iteration of **Housing First and Home For Good programming, Niagara Assertive Street Outreach**, and the **After Hours Shelter Placement Line**.



DID YOU KNOW?
THE 280,000 INDIVIDUAL BED NIGHTS PROVIDED AT THE SHELTER ARE EQUIVALENT TO 767 YEARS WORTH OF NIGHTS!

Our Shelter opened in 2005 with 30 beds, which increased to 39 beds in 2008, 44 in 2015, and 55 in 2017.



In 2005 we had 8 staff supporting our Shelter. In 2025 we had 36 staff operating our various Homelessness Services.

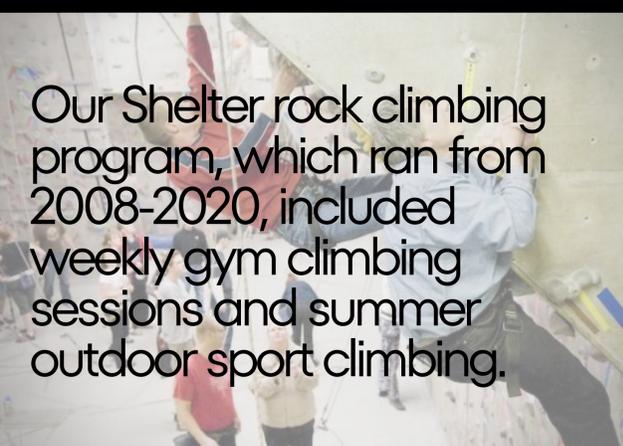
AVERAGE RENT COST OF 1-BEDROOM APARTMENT IN ST. CATHARINES IN 2005

\$600-\$700

AVERAGE COST IN 2025

\$1,700-\$1,800

Community-Supported Programming: Over the years our desire has been to have both recreation and recovery based programming, often with an emphasis on physical health and engagement. Programs have included: **rock climbing** in partnership with Peaks, **floor hockey** in the gym, **baseball teams** and **hiking groups**, an **arts club**, **Celebrate Recovery**, **Ladies' Coffee** and **Men's Coffee**, and our longest standing program - **Euchre**, which is still running every Wednesday evening!



Our Shelter rock climbing program, which ran from 2008-2020, included weekly gym climbing sessions and summer outdoor sport climbing.

Community Connect, which supports social connection, was started in 2020 to combat isolation during the pandemic and has continued ever since.



Approximately **120,000** volunteer hours served at the Shelter front desk and kitchen since 2005

Current (2025) Program Stats: The capacity of our staff and volunteer teams has continued to increase, as our housing capacity grew to supporting 105 clients through a team of 8 Intensive Case Managers and a Team Lead. Additional support was provided in partnership with Quest Community Health Care for Peer Support. Our coaches assisted 132 individuals out of the homelessness system and into housing, while our diversion staff achieved an 11% successful diversion rate, preventing unnecessary entry into shelter through safe alternatives!

\$4.067 MILLION

2005-2025 SOUTHRIDGE MINISTRY INVESTMENT TOWARDS HOMELESSNESS SERVICES



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PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY CONNECT FRIENDSHIPS, EXPERIENCING RECIPROCITY, HEALING AND BELONGING



325

PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED CHRISTMAS DINNER THIS YEAR



Becoming Good Relatives



Being part of the BGR book club has been an amazing journey for me.

We read books that not only expand our knowledge and awareness of critical issues around truth and reconciliation, but intentionally get to the heart level of what our fellow indigenous brothers and sisters have and are experiencing.

My heart was very heavy after reading *Seven Fallen Feathers*,

a book that deals with the tragic deaths of seven indigenous youths. In response to this, our group was able to process the sadness by reading prayers of lament while lighting candles to honour the beautiful young people whose lives were lost.

It was truly a blessing to be challenged by the contents of the book while processing it through a beautiful spiritual practice.

-Andrea J-L.

[Southridge Welland community member and Becoming Good Relatives leader]



2025 Becoming Good Relatives Overview

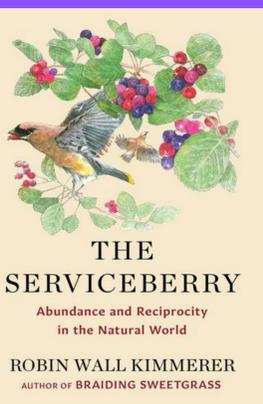
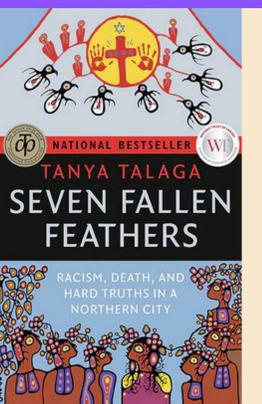
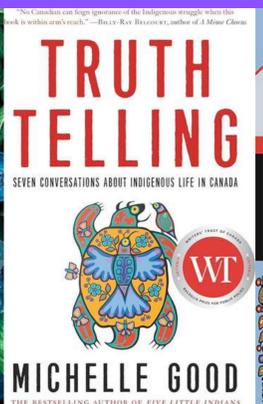
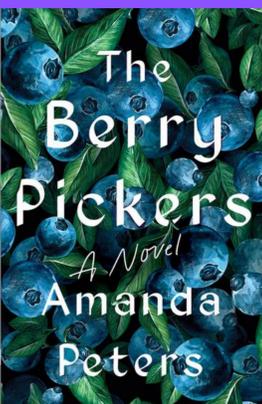
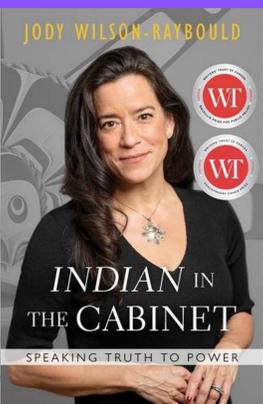
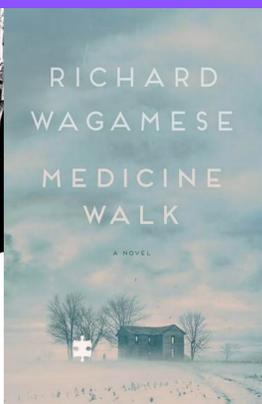
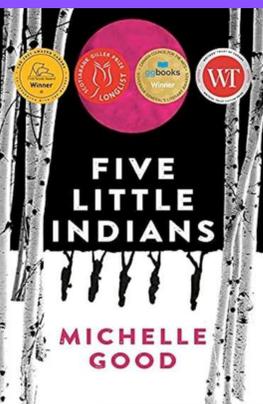
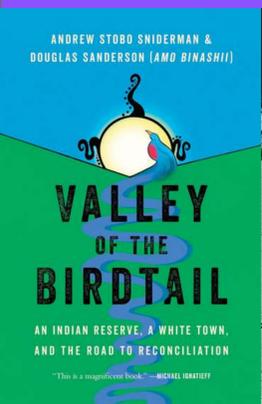
Our ongoing efforts to learn to accompany Indigenous Peoples here in Treaty 3 territory in the Niagara Region this year, led by our Becoming Good Relatives team, included attending events hosted by Indigenous communities, hosting events ourselves, and learning in various different spaces. We hosted a **BLANKET EXERCISE**, attended a **STRAWBERRY THANKSGIVING and COMMUNION**, participated in the work at the **WILLOWBANK COMMUNITY LOVE GARDEN**, attended the **DRUM CIRCLE** at the Niagara Regional Native Centre and the **BRIDGING HISTORIES** event in Lincoln, participated at the **ORGANIZE FOR REPAIR** event led by Sarah Augustine, and led a monthly Indigenous-focused **BOOK CLUB**.



Did You Know?

BGR leaders Elaine O. and Rachel S. shared at, and Laurie W. co-hosted, both the Strawberry Thanksgiving and Communion, as well as the Organize for Repair workshop.

Did You Know? THIS WAS THE ORDER OF THE BOOKS READ BY THE BOOK CLUB IN 2025:



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SOUTHRIDGE COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE 2025 BLANKET EXERCISE. TO DATE, APPROXIMATELY 100 SOUTHRIDGE MEMBERS HAVE PARTICIPATED IN TOTAL.

POINTS OF FOCUS

The 2 key areas of focus from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 'Calls to Action' which we've identified are:

1. **Learning and Education** - both self-directed and participatory/relational
2. **Financial Repair** - dollars, yes, but more significantly it's a posture shift, repentance, and desiring to do this in a covenantal way...

"Solidarity is when we put our bodies next to the bodies of those people that are damaged and harmed by systems of oppression. And I really want to point out that that's exactly what you're doing by choosing to form community and integrate community with vulnerable peoples who are unhoused, by choosing to form relationship and community with...migrant workers. By choosing to engage in solidarity and repair with Indigenous neighbours, by listening and seeking to understand the experience of those people who have been harmed by colonization."

-Sarah Augustine, to the Southridge community

[Pueblo (Tewa) descendant, author, ED of the Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery]

\$17,180.23

2025 BECOMING
GOOD
RELATIVES
INVESTMENT

Global Compassion



From 2012 to 2025, our Southridge community followed Jesus into a transformative global friendship with Compassion Canada—one marked by a commitment to stand with families facing profound vulnerability. What began with a single Child Survival Program (CSP) in Cuarto Lote, Ecuador grew into a network of up to eight CSPs annually across Ecuador, Uganda, Nicaragua, Rwanda, and Indonesia.

Over 13 years, these programs provided life-saving support to hundreds of mothers and babies every year offering pre- and post-natal care, nutrition and hygiene resources, medical monitoring, home visits, parenting education, and the spiritual encouragement of a local church community. At its peak in 2018, 240 mothers and infants were supported simultaneously, with well over a thousand impacted cumulatively through the duration of the partnership. Alongside early childhood survival, our church family embraced long-term child discipleship through Compassion's sponsorship program. Since our first presentation in 2008, Southridge has sponsored 661 children, walking with them through prayer, letters, and financial support. The impact of sponsorship is profound:

Each sponsorship represents a relationship of mutual encouragement—children known, loved, and supported by our community, and our community shaped in return. This life-changing program that equips children physically, socio-emotionally, cognitively and spiritually to release them from poverty in Jesus' name, works! Sponsored children are 27-40% more likely to finish secondary school, and 35% more likely to secure stable employment.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to support the Child Survival Programs over the years.

Although our work in collectively financially supporting the CSPs has come to an end this year, many hundreds of children are *still individually sponsored* by Southridge households (which actually represents a larger annual financial contribution), and we continue to value this relational commitment. The many personal stories over the years from Ecuador, Nicaragua, Uganda, Rwanda and Indonesia sent both to Southridge and to individual households in our community remind us that this partnership has never been about programs alone, but about people. For 17 years, God has used this relationship to grow compassion, justice, and Christlike love both globally and here at home.

-Dean B.

[Compassion Canada Regional Rep]

2008-2025 Global Compassion Overview

In 2008 Southridge and Compassion Canada began a partnership supporting **CHILD SPONSORSHIPS** by individual households. In 2012 the partnership expanded to include annual support for **CHILD SURVIVAL PROGRAMS**, a partnership which lasted until our final year of financial support for the CSPs in 2025.



Compassion's Child Survival Programs are run by local churches, supporting marginalized community members, very similarly to how Southridge operates in Welland, Vineland, and St. Catharines.

"Our church is very grateful for your help so that our church can minister to these families through the Survival program... With the implementation of this program, we have seen a change in the way the children are growing healthy and we have seen more confidence in the mothers in raising their children."

-Reverend Wenner

[Hugo Chavez Community, Nicaragua]

THE CHILD SURVIVAL PROGRAMS WE SPONSORED WERE IN THE COUNTRIES OF:



THANK YOU!

"I wish to express our deepest gratitude... With your support, we have witnessed tremendous progress in the area of child development."

-Pastor Nathan

[Nabiswa Community Pentecostal Church, Uganda]

661 CHILDREN CURRENTLY SPONSORED THROUGH SOUTHRIDGE HOUSEHOLDS

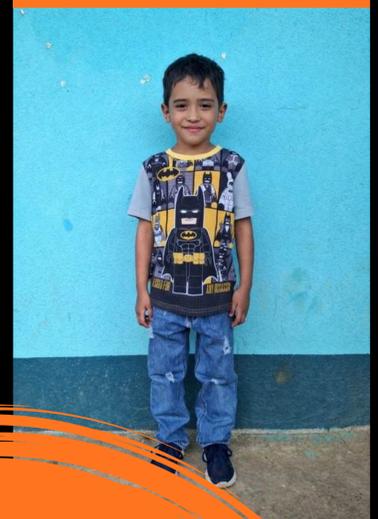
Did You Know?

Southridge's Jr. and Sr. kids across our three locations sponsor two children through Compassion: Jadiel from Ecuador, and Kylian from Nicaragua. In 2025, the kids raised \$503.21 through their Sunday donations, which provided direct support. We even supported Jadiel's mom when she was a child in the program!

Jadiel



Kylian



\$325,212

ONGOING ANNUAL INVESTMENT BY SOUTHRIDGE HOUSEHOLDS IN SPONSORING CHILDREN THROUGH COMPASSION

\$1,325,173.65

2008-2025 SOUTHRIDGE INVESTMENT IN CHILD SURVIVAL PROGRAMS

Final Word

As we look to the year ahead, our encouragement and invitation is to keep leaning in. The stories and impact of this report reflect a community who is intentionally choosing to live out the love of Jesus – not as a program or event to attend – but as a fully devoted life to be lived together.

A life that is present, relational, and deeply rooted in the belief that Jesus-shaped friendships make the difference. This work grows when we keep showing up for one another, choosing friendship over familiarity and community over comfort.

There are so many ways to be part of what God is doing among us this year, whether that's through learning, serving, giving, praying, or taking a step of connection.

We invite you to keep leaning in as we continue practicing the way of Jesus' love together!

-Annie Froese and Jeff Martens

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*Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,
fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.*

Hebrews 12:1-2

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