



## BUILD-ANOTHER-BRIDGE GIVING CAMPAIGN

### Our Goal is to Raise \$100K in Donations & Grants by 12/31/22

Across The Bridge has crossed the threshold from being a convenient place for addiction recovery meetings, sober living referrals, food and clothing distribution, and a source for mentoring and sponsorship. We have stepped into relevance through these valued services, your generous donations, and targeted grants to assist in specific new programs.

We are poised to make another step forward in 2023 and beyond. But to move into new opportunities, **WE NEED YOUR HELP TO BUILD MORE BRIDGES.** As you review those listed within this handout, please consider:

### We Have Helped Over 85,000 People in The Past Four Years!

Of these, we measure our success rate by the changed lives that have come through our doors with our unique, holistic, faith-based approach to recovery. We have built a strong bridge of hope in partnership with our many valued collaborators.

### To Date in 2022 We Began Improvisation and Expansion:

- A Women's Recovery Group
- A Spiritual Meeting Addressing Questions of Faith – Smooth Talk
- Our Under The Bridge Homeless & Helpless Program
- Introduced R.O.P.E. Reducing Opiate Problems Effectively
- Began our Xcelerate Program to Celebrate Faith & Recovery
- Expanded our building by another 3000 square feet

To Learn More About These Groups See Reverse Side

### How Can You Give?

1. We invite you to give online through the [Donate page](#) on our website, or
2. Please **notify us of your intent** to give, how much, and when you can, or
3. We accept donations any time by a **check sent** to our address shown below.

### Why Should You Give?

**WE ARE A FRONT-LINE RESPONDER PROTECTING AND ENHANCING OUR COMMUNITY!**

- Across The Bridge has been a 501 c3 non-profit for three years and is financially sound with a track record of great success. Testimonials are available upon request.
- Your gift is fully tax-deductible!
- See a list of our collaborators you can contact for reference on the reverse side.

100 % of your donations are applied to one of these three situations, or you may designate another preference:

1. Warrior Groups and the Xcelerate Program
2. Under The Bridge Program
3. R.O.P.E. Reducing Opiate Problems Effectively



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### 2022 -2023 New Programs

#### ▶ Warrior Groups and The Xcelerate Program

One of the most difficult things for a returning service person to deal with is the PTSD accompanying combat experience. Since I have this experience from the Viet Nam war as a U.S. Marine, I understand how this can develop into an addiction, trauma, and conflict with normal everyday living in general. We are currently working with the PTSD Foundation of America to support us in beginning a Warrior Group for combat veterans. This group is a Christ-centered program that brings additional resources to help veterans. Our target is to start in late October 2022; the budget is \$15,000/year.

The Xcelerate Program is about increasing our faith and recovery through Celebrations where we feed, offer live music, a testimony, and a power-packed message of hope. We also include other groups emphasizing spiritual growth; the budget is \$20,000/year.

#### ▶ Under The Bridge - Current Program for the Homeless and Helpless

In April of 2021, we began UTB offering food and showers to the homeless and helpless. Since then, the program has shifted to helping individuals within our program structure who are suffering or those in harm's way; the budget is \$15,000/year.

#### ▶ R.O.P.E. - Reducing Opiate Problems Effectively - New 2022 Program

ATB will use our current and added resources to address the Opiate crisis that is killing off our younger generation. Our proposed program began in July 2022 and will include: 1. Establishing an HA (Heroin Anonymous) meeting at ATB, 2. Providing meetings for family and friends support, 3. Monthly seminars on awareness and overdose prevention. We also have plans to provide educational awareness in Gwinnett County Schools after implementing the first 3 phases of R.O.P.E.; the budget is \$20,000/year.

### Collaborators for Reference

Recovery Foundations, We Are Living Proof, Rise Up Recovery, Step By Step Recovery, Campus Church of Christ, Life Church International, 12Stone Church, Grace Community Baptist Church, Village of Hope, Hope thru Soap, Addiction Counselor USA, 2nd Chance Athletes, His Way Recovery, Mary Hall Freedom House, and Community Relations (Jacob Baird) at the Lawrenceville Police Department.

### A Note From Glenn Yankowski, Executive Director

*It has been my great privilege and honor to serve our recovery community at ATB and watch how God has blessed us with partners like you that have allowed us to grow and thrive. It's easy to say those words and another thing to back them up. We can.*

*As we continue to weave our tapestry of uniqueness within our community and gain support from all avenues, we remain committed to what got us here, our personal approach and authenticity in who we are, and our faith in the Lord. Without His guidance, we are like a ship without a rudder.*

*We must always remember those we have lost as we sometimes struggle to find new ways to carve out a difference in this modern era of war on addiction, and then ever be encouraged as someone steps up to pick up a one-year chip with a smile so big it could hang as a star in the sky.*

*These are your neighbors, co-workers, family, sons, and daughters. These are the next generation that ATB is here to help preserve and serve. We truly need you to know that your return on your investment in us is measurable by the lives we save that would otherwise be lost.*

*I am asking for your financial help, prayers, volunteering, and approval by launching us into this fight for the remainder of this year and 2023. Our current and proposed new programs will equip us to become victorious.*

*To God be the glory!*