



Driving *Independence*

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CTN Community
Transportation
Network

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Justin Clupper, Executive Director

Independence looks different for everyone. For Jo'Male, independence is being able to go to work and saving up for your own vehicle, where you get even greater independence. For Helen, independence is being able to live on your own and scheduling your own rides to the doctor. At CTN we cherish the independence we're able to provide and measure it by how long riders have been with us.

- **Nearly 20% of our medical riders have been using CTN for more than five years!**
- **In total, CTN provided 71,736 total rides to 8,629 riders.**
- **Our vehicles covered more than 500,000 miles.**
- **And for the first time ever, we operated out of two locations.**

It was July 1st, 2022, when we opened the Memmer Family Garage, a satellite garage located on the west side of New Haven. Six routes originate from the facility and are designed to pick up their first riders in New Haven, east Allen County, or southeast Fort Wayne. With 15,000 square feet of finished space, and the ability to expand to nearly 55,000 square feet, this facility represents our future.

Another step in our future is the first-of-its-kind Regional Transportation Assessment launched in spring 2023. This assessment mirrors the community needs assessment completed by Foellinger Foundation in the late 1990's that resulted in the creation of CTN. As CTN's board of directors looked to our future, we started with asking about the state of transportation in the 11-county region of northeast Indiana. Results of the assessment will be available in early 2024 and will serve as a guidepost for CTN's future, as well as the future of other transportation providers in northeast Indiana.

One common theme through the assessment, so far, has been the need for independence. Our communities are designed around vehicle ownership. Having a vehicle, or a transportation option, means independence. Something we don't realize until we don't have it any longer.



David Leininger, Board Chair

Rest assured, CTN is doing all we can to ease the burden of transportation so that we can Drive *Independence*.

MISSION: CTN eases the burden of transportation so that more people are able to maintain life-sustaining and purposeful connections in the community.

The ability to get from one place to another independently can be *transformative*.



Meet Jo'Male. He has been riding with CTN for the past few years to go to work. And because of that seemingly simple thing, a ride, he was able to purchase his own vehicle, providing him with independence and empowering him to hope for the future.

When Jo'Male moved to Fort Wayne, he and his aunt searched for ride services to help him access medical care and his college courses. He was referred to CTN and was relieved to discover we accepted his insurance through Medicaid. After college, when he lost his insurance, he was still able to rely on CTN to get him to and from work through our work trips program.

"I knew if I called CTN, my trips would be consistent, and with my first job, I wanted to make a good impression," he said.

Jo'Male credits the rides he received from CTN as his biggest step towards independence. Without a job, he couldn't afford to pay rent or save towards his goal of purchasing his own vehicle.

"With CTN, I am able to keep living independently," he reflected. "Because of them, I was able to purchase my own vehicle, so now I can plan to meet up with friends and get where I need to go. My future looks less isolated. I feel like an actual adult who doesn't have to ask permission to leave my house."

As 2023 comes to a close, we reflect on the profound impact that accessible transportation can have on our clients. Jo'Male said it better than we ever could: "Thank you all! Through your donations, you have literally changed my life. I now work full-time, and I am in line for a promotion!"



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Driving *Impact*

16-20

Custom Routes Daily



Medical Appointments



Work Trips



Field Trips



Grocery Runs

250

Rides Daily



Seniors



People with Disabilities



Low Income



Children/Youth

1,000+

Medical Clients



Life-sustaining Appointments



Physical Therapy



Vision & Dental Visits



Well Checks

12,146

Rides to Work



People with Disabilities



Employment Training



Earning Income



Gaining Independence

50,000

Trips for Partner Agencies

85

Non-profit Partners

1/3

of our clients are
Children under 10



Private Pay Charter Services



Low-cost transportation option for our community

“I am able to go places again and feel confident that the driving staff know how to work with my equipment instead of watching me struggle.”



“Because of CTN, I can work, therefore get a paycheck and able to live independently.”



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**“They are very helpful getting my wife and powerchair into the bus. They direct her up the ramp so
They also help her off the bus and makes sure she gets to the correct destination.”**

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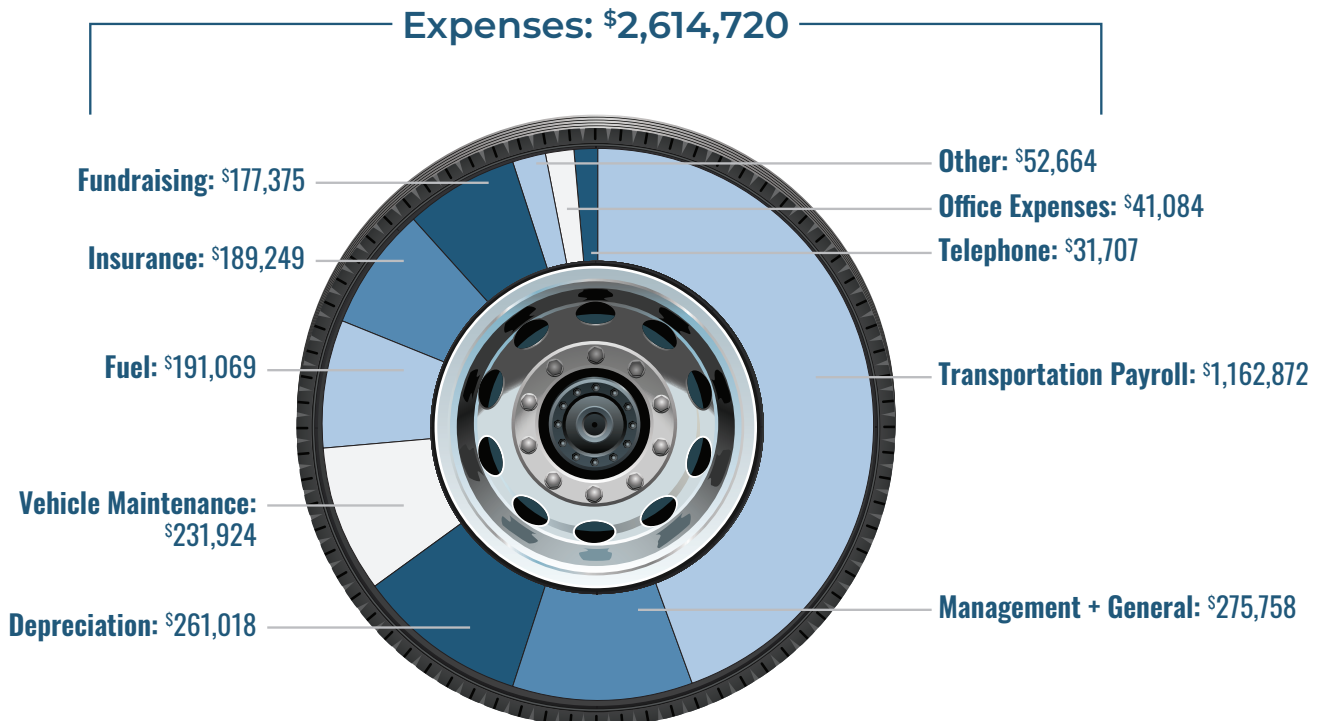
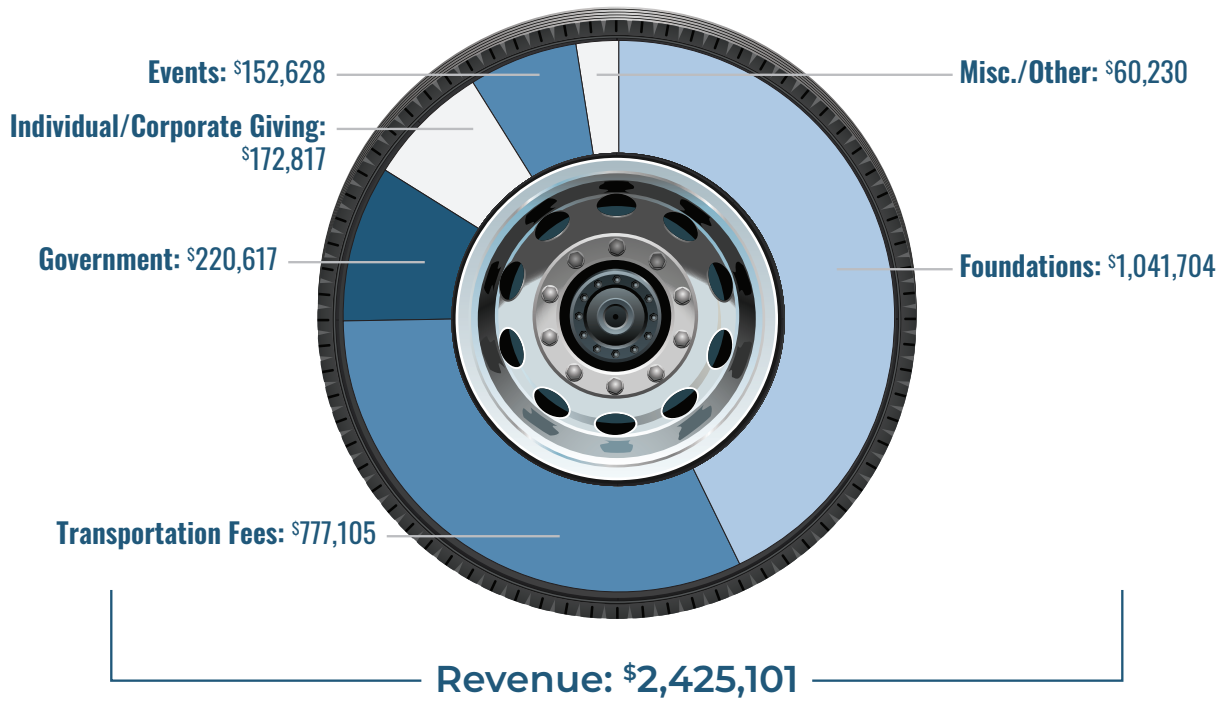
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Financials

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023



How to help “Drive Community”.

Become a Monthly Donor

GIVE MONTHLY. CHANGE LIVES.



While CTN continues to grow and expand rapidly, we simply cannot keep up with the ever increasing demand, and trip requests are denied.

Your donation is more than “just a ride”, it allows thousands of people in our community to remain healthy and independent.

“If CTN didnt exist, I would not have transportation that was affordable and I could count on to be there for me.”



Become a Driver!

JOIN OUR COMPASSIONATE TEAM.



Now hiring part-time and full-time Community Drivers! Join CTN road by applying to be a driver today!

Schedule a Group Trip With Us!

80+ PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS & 7,500+ RIDERS!



Does your company, organization or group need transportation to an event, convention, field trip or something special? We’d love to talk to you about your options, pricing, and availability. Please submit a group trip request and someone from our team will be in touch!

You're Invited!

Join Us At An Upcoming Event

Support seniors and those with disabilities—buy tickets or sponsor to provide affordable medical transportation. Your participation makes a meaningful impact!



Dine 4 Rides

Scan to purchase tickets now!



Thursday, March 21, 2024

5:30 – 9pm

Parkview Mirro Center

10622 Parkview Plaza Drive • Fort Wayne, IN 46845

Dine 4 Rides' ever changing theme keeps guests intrigued year to year. Inspirational testimonials, mouthwatering meals, live and silent auctions are at the heart of this exciting event. Funds raised at this event help more people in our community connect to healthcare, community events, schools, field trips, and more through CTN. Our events sponsors provide the gift of a ride for the year to come for hundreds in our community!



Hop On Brew Tour

Scan to purchase tickets now!



Saturday, November 9, 2024

1 – 5pm (noon for VIP!)

The Hop On Brew Tour takes you and your party to multiple breweries around Fort Wayne. CTN provides participants with circulator transportation between the breweries, allowing everyone to stay for as little or as long as they’d like! This CTN fundraiser is a fun way to give back to your community, enjoy our local breweries and meet new people all while CTN does the driving.

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