In 2020, we faced a pandemic and opened the CARITAS Center. As COVID-19 swept through the world, we stayed focused and swiftly adapted our programs to serve our most vulnerable neighbors. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, we were able to complete construction and open a new recovery program for women as well as a permanent home for the women’s shelter. We’re proud, impressed, and grateful for our staff, volunteers, community partners, and supporters who made all this great work possible.

The Healing Place for Men now has a sister. The Healing Place for Women will offer the same effective, long-term, peer-to-peer recovery program to females. Women in the program will experience minor differences from their brothers located at 700 Dinwiddie Avenue. A Family Visitation Suite, for example, will allow mothers to reunite with their children and nurture those relationships during their recovery journey.

CARITAS Works managed to thrive and grow despite numerous challenges during the pandemic. Staff members, students, and volunteers adapted to offer virtual classes, provide connectivity, and serve with dignity. In its new location at the CARITAS Center, the Works program has state-of-the-art classrooms, ready to welcome a growing number of women.

In 2019, The CARITAS Furniture Bank lost its first warehouse on Commerce Road to redevelopment. We temporarily moved into a smaller location at Gordon Avenue as we waited for the CARITAS Center to open. During the pandemic, we adapted our donation and shopping procedures to keep everyone safe. We are proud to say our new CARITAS Center warehouse is full of donations and accepting shoppers. After being mobile for more than 30 years, the CARITAS Emergency Shelter is now permanent. The Men’s Shelter is located at 700 Dinwiddie Avenue and the Women’s Shelter is located at 2220 Stockton Street. With both men and women in their new, permanent locations, they can more easily seek and maintain employment and work with our staff to find a new home sooner.

While we’ve grown and adapted our existing programs, we have added a new member to the CARITAS family: the CARITAS Recovery Residences. After working with more than 9,500 men at The Healing Place, we learned this transitional phase is crucial to ensuring long-term sobriety success. We are thrilled to offer this resource not just to CARITAS program participants, but to any community member looking for a family.
2020 FINANCIALS

INCOME
$4,916,358

EXPENSES
$4,449,853

*990s for The Healing Place and CARITAS can be found on our website