



**INTOWN
CARES**

**overcoming
homelessness
and hunger in
Intown Atlanta**



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Brad Schweers
Executive Director

Intown Cares is a nonprofit that goes the extra mile to help intown Atlantans meet their most essential human needs – housing and food.

We specialize in helping unhoused people who face major barriers make the transition to their own homes. And we provide the easiest access to food for any who need it.

our story

Intown Cares is a longtime champion and ally to intown Atlantans in great need. **We were founded in 2010 as Intown Collaborative Ministries**, a cohort of congregations that provided and operated a food pantry.

Over the years, our mission expanded – we began helping those who have long lived on Atlanta’s streets find permanent housing.

Today, we still receive vital support from our original congregations, as well as from government grants, foundations, businesses, community partners, and individual donors.



Prinsess Futrell

Director of Homeless Services

A photograph of a man and a woman in a kitchen. The man, on the right, is wearing a grey beanie, a blue vest over a white long-sleeved shirt, and has a beard. He is smiling broadly and holding up a set of keys in his right hand. The woman, on the left, is wearing glasses and a blue hoodie, also smiling. They are standing in a kitchen with white cabinets and a window with blinds in the background. The text 'homeless services' is overlaid in large yellow letters on the lower left side of the image.

homeless services



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Intown focuses primarily on helping neighbors experiencing chronic homelessness -- repeatedly unhoused or lack housing for more than a year and are dealing with a disability or substance abuse.



Helping neighbors move from street to home

FIVE-STEP PROCESS

ENGAGE

A “Housing First” model. Housing First initiates stability; other personal obstacles are addressed after moving into housing, not as a precondition.

ENROLL

A diligent and thorough approach.

NAVIGATE

We go to where neighbors experiencing chronic homelessness are, build trust, help them acquire documentation — and move toward permanent housing.

HOUSE

SUPPORT

Close coordination with partners. Intown Cares does not do everything, nor do we “go it alone.” Our place in Atlanta’s homeless services ecosystem is clear: We address each of the many obstacles facing our neighbors to help them move from street to home.

Unrelenting persistence.

It’s recognized that Intown Cares goes further in helping Atlantans make their journey to a home. We share a mindset of hard work, creativity, and resourcefulness with our supporters.



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impact

Since 2016, engaged

3,000+

Atlantans experiencing
homelessness

1,619

neighbors enrolled and
navigated toward housing

Placed **833** in their own homes

Provided individuals
no longer experiencing
homelessness with

562

Aftercare Services



**Church of the
Common Ground**



Central Outreach
& Advocacy Center



TRANS HOUSING COALITION

partners



Alliance





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Laura DeGroot

Director of Food Programs

A photograph of a man and a woman on a porch. The man, wearing glasses and a blue t-shirt, is holding a large brown paper bag and appears to be speaking. The woman, wearing a grey long-sleeved shirt and a black face mask, is seen from the back. The background is a red brick building with a window and a black metal railing. The text 'food programs' is overlaid in yellow on the left side of the image.

food programs



As food prices remain high and even continue to increase, especially for healthy fresh food, Intown works to provide nourishment, eliminate the worry of accessing food, and create food security for many Atlantans.



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Helping neighbors move to food security

- **Operates one of the largest most innovative low-barrier food pantries in Atlanta**
- **No requirements for ID, proof of citizenship, or pay stubs, and no limits on how often people can visit**
- **An expanded grocery delivery service for people who cannot travel to the pantry to pick up food, supported by volunteers and our partnership with Amazon**



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impact

500 unique households served weekly at the pantry

230 unique households receiving weekly grocery deliveries

In 2022, provided food for **300,000** meals

349,040 pounds of food distributed



partners





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to housing and food*