

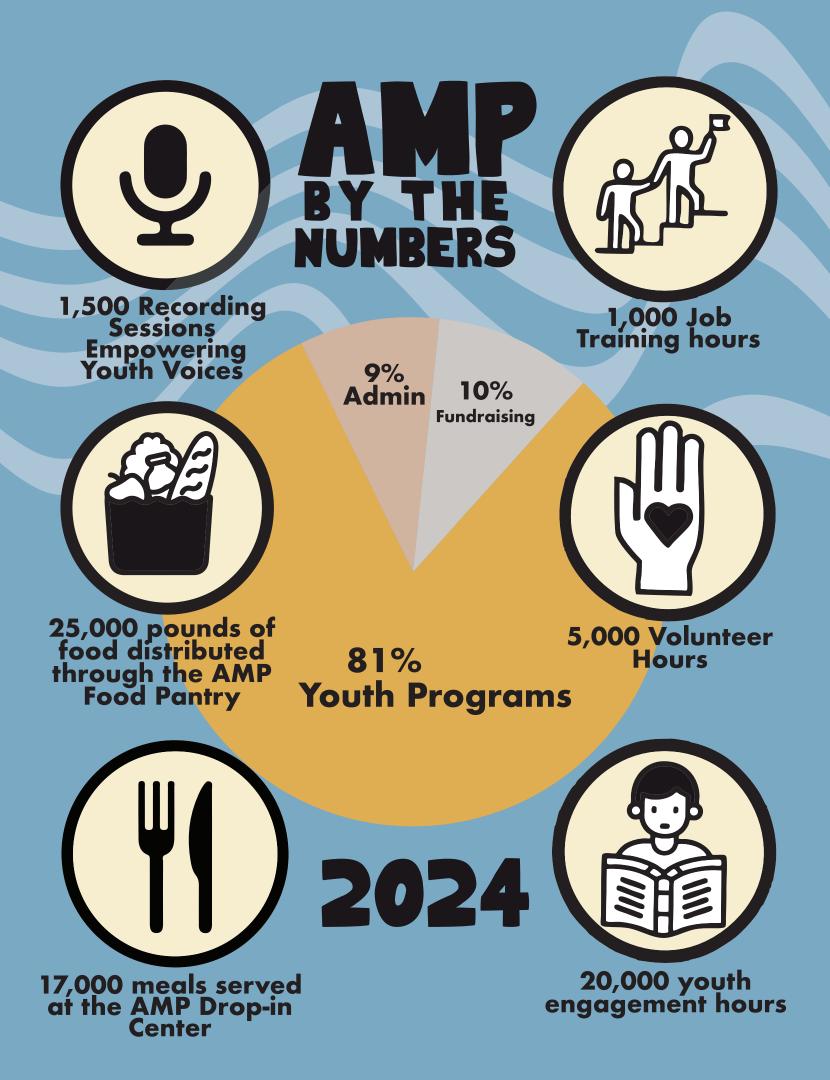
# THANK YOU

This Year, your generosity has fueled AMP's mission, opening doors for countless young people in our community to find stability, creativity, and hope. Because of you, AMP has been able to offer vital resources, inspiring mentorship, and safe, welcoming spaces for Portland's homeless and at-risk youth. Each meal served, each recording session and art workshop, and each moment of connection was made possible by your support. Thank you for standing with us and making 2024 such an impactful year.

Together, we have empowered Portland youth to find hope, express their creativity, and build pathways to a brighter future. This incredible impact is only possible thanks to the unwavering support of our generous donors and the dedication of over 90 amazing volunteers. Your commitment fuels our mission and changes lives every day—thank you!

### **BIG THANKS TO OUR** COMMUNITY PARTNERS:

Urban Gleaners, Feed the Mass, Lardo/Grassa



### **AMP GOALS 2025**

In order to expand AMP's service capacity, increase opportunities and safe spaces for Portland's youth, AMP plans to:



These goals reflect our ongoing mission to provide vital resources, creative opportunities, and mentorship to Portland's most vulnerable youth.

- Upgrade technology by replacing old computers and adding music and art software to help youth develop digital skills and explore creative expression.
- Expand support for LGBTQ+ and BIPOC youth through culturally specific programs, diverse mentors, and safe spaces for connection and expression.

- Form partnerships with mental health and housing resources to better support vulnerable youth experiencing homelessness.
  - Increase community outreach efforts by strengthening relationships with schools, community centers, and local businesses, to ensure more youth have access to our vital resources.
- Amplify youth voices through storytelling projects and community events, encouraging youth to share their experiences and insights.
  - Collaborate with organizations and influence policies on youth homelessness to enhance our services and empower youth to take an active role.
- Expand food programs by partnering locally, increasing food bank reach, and promoting healthy eating and nutrition education for youth.
- Strengthen community ties by expanding volunteer support and partnerships with local businesses, artists, and cultural organizations, creating more opportunities for youth to shine.

### **AMP YOUTH SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES**

Each year, AMP shares a youth's story to showcase the impact of your support. This year's letter highlights their journey and the vital resources AMP provides. Thank you for helping our youth thrive!

> "I don't remember when I arrived, but as time passed I realized that AMP is more than a warm place where you can get support—they help you create the projects you want to make and they include you in their events, field trips and workshops. At AMP you can develop and express yourself through music, painting, drawing, crafts, and anything else you can imagine. During the time we've been here, Will and everyone who works here has made us feel at home, after being so far away from our home in Venezuela.

> Thank you to AMP for allowing us to have wonderful experiences that we will never forget and that we will remember with a lot of warmth and happiness. This is not goodbye because we will carry this in our hearts—this is just "See you later".

On behalf of myself, Jhuliet and Danger, thank you for accepting us in your program and supporting us in so many ways while making us feel at home here!"

-Jhuliet



## WAYS TO STAY ENGAGED

### SUPPORT

Support the Artist Mentorship Program (AMP) and make a difference for homeless youth. Donate fresh or non-perishable food, volunteer to cook and serve meals, or join the AMPLIFIER program to provide stable, ongoing funding for AMP's long-term programs. Even small monthly gifts have a big impact!

### VOLUNTEERING

Volunteer your skills—whether in cooking, mentoring, administration, or fundraising—to strengthen the support we provide to youth.

### FOLLOWING US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay connected! Share our updates on programs, events, and youth stories to raise awareness and inspire others to join our mission. Together, we make a difference!



#### NOTE FROM AMP'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we reflect on the incredible milestones achieved in 2024, I want to personally thank you for your unwavering support of AMP and the youth we serve. Your time, efforts, and generosity have fueled transformative opportunities—from the meals shared and recording sessions completed to the community connections fostered within our drop-in center. Together, we have provided not just resources, but a sense of belonging and hope for Portland's youth. Looking ahead to 2025, I am excited about deepening our impact through your continued partnership. With your help, we will expand our reach, create new programs, and ensure that every young person who walks through our doors has the tools to thrive. Thank you for standing with us as we build brighter futures, one step at a time.



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With Gratitude,

Will Kendall