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SHOELESS



WE BRING RELIEF

2025
ANNUAL
REPORT



2025 | HIGHLIGHTS

SERVED MORE THAN 21K CHILDREN

EXPANDED STAFF

ADDED DPM (DOCTOR OF PODIATRY) AS MEDICAL ADVISORS FOR EACH REGION

6.4% INCREASE (1,000 MORE CHILDREN) SERVED



MISSION

To provide new, properly fitting gym shoes and socks to children in need.

VISION

To bring relief.

PICKED UP THE PACE!

S4TS SERVED CHILDREN IN **191** SCHOOLS ACROSS **21** COUNTIES IN SOUTHWEST OHIO

Like children's feet, we never stop growing!



"We are deeply grateful for our partnership. S4TS does a phenomenal job of helping their volunteers understand the challenges our families face, while making our children feel loved and special."

SCHOOL PARTNER



2025 | FINANCIALS

The following is an overview of S4TS's finances for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025

TOTAL REVENUE \$1,211,480

■ DONATIONS \$788,820

■ GRANTS \$248,000

■ INVESTMENT INCOME \$174,660



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

In 2025, relief reached more than 21,000 children across our region – a 6.4% increase over 2024. While we celebrate this achievement, quantity means nothing without quality.

We achieve quality through strong school and community partnerships, an army of incredible volunteers, excellent shoes and socks, and efficient, thoughtful processes.

S4TS has become a high-impact, trusted, and valued organization across Southwest Ohio. The demand for our services continues to grow.

Our challenge is no longer to prove the need exists, but to strategically grow S4TS so that more children can receive relief each year.

Thanks to generous and faithful donors and volunteers, over 21,000 children received properly fitting gym shoes and new socks last year – more than 1,000 additional children compared to 2024.

A pair of shoes that fit and are fit to wear seems simple, but the impact on the children we serve is profound.

We do not take the privilege of meeting one of the biggest, most-overlooked health care needs for children in poverty lightly.

Thank you to all who helped make this possible. We are confident 2026 will be another fabulous year.

Stay with us, please.

Gratefully, Kris

“you will never know the difference you make in our district”

SCHOOL PARTNER

STAFF TEAM

KRIS HORLACHER, RN, BSN
Executive Director

JOHN FORDE
Greater Cincinnati Area Director

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Operations Director

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Administrative Assistant

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DR. JONATHAN WHITE, DPM
Head of Podiatry
5 Rivers Health Care
Montgomery County

DR. SADIE WYLIE, DPM, FAFAS
Head of Pediatric Podiatry
Cincinnati Children's Hospital



OVER
21,000
CHILDREN

S4TS SERVED IN 2025*

**BRAND-NEW SHOES
& SOCKS FOR A CHILD = \$40**
[APPROXIMATE COST]

MARKET VALUE OF
SHOES / SOCKS
& VOLUNTEER HOURS

\$1,608,000
COMMUNITY IMPACT

*NUMBER OF SEATS IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN

ACROSS 21 COUNTIES
S4TS PARTNERS WITH

63
school districts

AND

26
community
& non-school
partners

TO IDENTIFY AND
SERVE KIDS IN NEED.

