

Lead in the Margins

A seasonal newsletter from Lead Collective Inc.







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Three ministries one vision

We exist to equip and elevate youth leaders in the way of Jesus, from historically under-resourced communities.



We exist to equip and elevate youth leaders in the way of Jesus, through outdoor adventures.

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We exist to equip and elevate youth leaders through neighborhood-centered ministry.

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We exist to reach and equip today's incarcerated youth to become tomorrow's leaders.

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Summer Program Updates



Summer Forever has officially begun! During the summer months GOAT partners with like-minded organizations to take hundreds of students on outdoor adventures. This summer we hope to reach a landmark - serving 10,000 students since GOAT was founded in 2009!

GOAT hires and trains Outdoor Guides each summer. These Outdoor Guides make our ministry possible (Big shout out to Maressa, Eliana and Josiah). We are also supported by a Jr. Guide (a student intern) named Sidney!



Eleos summer is wide open. You would think Eleos programs would wind down during the summer, but it's quite the opposite. Eleos runs a Summer Camp, Monday - Thursday.

Our amazing staff team is supported by our Summer Student Interns. (Shout out to JD, BiBi, and Jordan).



Reach programs run steady through the summer. We follow a 12 month re-entry program that consists of 4 phases. These run year-round, right through the summer!

However, this July we are excited to announce that 6 of our students will be graduating our 12 month program and stepping into a world of fresh starts!

A Story From Reach

Cantavious Early a.k.a. Trap is a student at Reach entering the 4th and final phase of our ministry.

"Before coming to Reach Trap's mindset was not in the right place for a 15yr old. I would consider him to be quite "active" out here... if you know what I mean. Ten months ago as Trap was dealing with the homicide of his brother, he ran into Reach. Trap has developed in so many areas... He has been elevated to a leadership position, and his whole mindset has changed. To see this young man grow and mindset shift is dope!!" - Terrell Hagood, Reach Program Director

Trap has just completed the leadership phase of our program. As we celebrate his progress we can't help but look back and see the progress he has made over these past 9 months. Honestly, it's hard not to look at him like a walking miracle... but then again... isn't all transformation truly miraculous? Isn't every transformed story, a story of grace?

Trap remembers when he first showed up at Reach. "When I first came to Reach I thought these other kids don't know nothing about me... they're just here to be here. But it wasn't like that. When I got to know them, I found out these kids was going through the same things... like they wanted to change they life. Like when I came to Reach, my life and my habits have changed. I came to Reach rough... now I'm doing very good, I'm doing excellent! Let me put this in a good way... I was originally just going through the motions, do whatcha gotta do. But when I started participating and going through the phases, it got better for me and changed everything in my life."

The term "trap" is a concession of sorts... to be trapped and unable to get out. Many identify with the trap, as a way of making peace with the streets. Because, after all... getting out doesn't feel like an option. Before Reach Cantavious may have made peace with the streets... the trap, but today he identifies as one who has been set free by the power of Jesus. In fact he says, "The finish line of my race is to be an entrepreneur and a pastor. That's really what I want. But if I can't be a pastor, I want to at least be able to go talk to kids down the road, just like you (Terrell) talk to me and how you took me in and gave me a better vision than I had before I came to Reach."

We exist to equip and elevate students like Cantavious, to become tomorrow's leaders.

We do this by interrupting the cycle of violence, and redirecting a young person away from the adult prison system. By God's grace that has happened in Cantavious' life. But none of this would be possible without your generous support. Because of your generosity Cantavious is able to go through our 12 month program, free of charge. We are committed to keeping these services within the reach of those who need them most. Your generosity makes that possible!

Thank you for your faithful support of Reach. For those of you who pray, please continue to pray. For those of you who are able to financially support us, please continue to do so generously.

We are in this together! All the best, Cam



Snapshots from the Spring







Mark Your Calendars

Reach Celebration Gala

August 19 · 6:30-8:30

Prisma Health Welcome Center at Unity Park 111 Welborn St, Greenville, SC 29601



The Reach Celebration Gala is an exciting opportunity to join kindred spirits for fine local food and drinks, as we hear inspiring stories, and discover meaningful opportunities to partner together to redirect juveniles away from the adult prison system.



Fall Beer and Gear

October 19 · 6:00-8:00

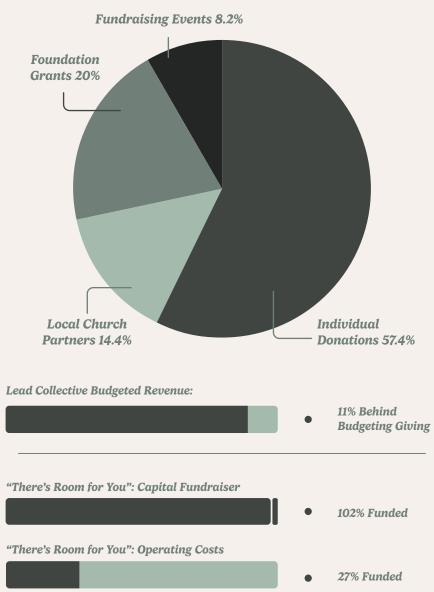
Mountain Goat 120 Shaw St, Greenville, SC 29609



Beer and Gear is GOAT's favorite fundraiser where every dollar raised goes toward making hundreds of adventures possible. This year, we've teamed up with OSM, who will be hosting a sample sale alongside our heavily discounted gear sale. Join us for a night of good times, cold beer, fresh waffles and gear from your favorite brands!

Giving Update

Lead Collective wouldn't exist without your generous support! We're able to equip and elevate students through year-round programming because of the ongoing, generous support of folks like you.



Thank You

Thank you for faithfully supporting our mission to equip and elevate the next generation to lead in the way of Jesus. We are serving more students than ever, in more holistic ways, with a skilled and energetic staff team. We're seeing students break through generational cycles, discovering their God-given potential, and growing into the kinds of leaders who will transform their families, and their communities. You are making an impact that will outlast each of us. Praise God for that.

Let's keep planting sequoias, together!



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One Final Note

We recognize that many of you support our work from a distance, and we want to bring you closer to the action. If you found this update to be helpful, or encouraging, please send me an email. I would love to hear from you!

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