2023 Annual Report



Prepared By: The Hamilton Dismas Steering Committee

A Community of Hope

We provide a safe place for people returning from prison to meet with community volunteers to share a time of fellowship & friendship.

We welcome and celebrate one another, regardless of religious or criminal convictions, knowing that we are all "offenders".

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HAMILTON DISMAS STEERING COMMITTEE

In December 2022, the Hamilton Dismas Steering Committee was formed. In previous years, Hamilton Dismas was run by Rick Pauw & Paul Tuck.

Hamilton Dismas Steering Committee

Chair | Robert Monster

Vice-Chair | Sarah Tuck

Treasurer | Ian Sutherland

Secretary | Tee Mann

Coordinator | Jeff Smallwood

Coordinator | Donna Hill

Advisor | Rick Pauw

DFN Community Coordinator | Paul Tuck

INCOME

Friends of Dismas

We can receive funds through Friends of Dismas, which is our charitable organization who can issue tax-deductible receipts for donations by visiting friendsofdismas.com or by visiting canadahelps.org to donate to your desired Dismas Fellowship location. We received \$940 in donations through Friends of Dismas throughout the year.

MCC Grants

Paul Tuck applied for a grant to help cover the costs for liability insurance, rent of First Pilgrim Church, Office/Administration expenses etc... We received \$5,300 to keep the Dismas Fellowship running in Hamilton over the next couple of years.

Cash Donations

We received a total of \$1,224.30 in cash donations to help cover the costs of food and accommodation and a special \$2,000 donation from an anonymous doner that wanted us to have a special Christmas Celebration in Hamilton.

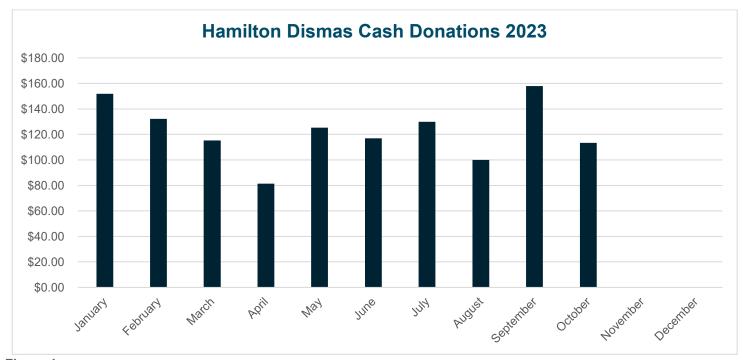
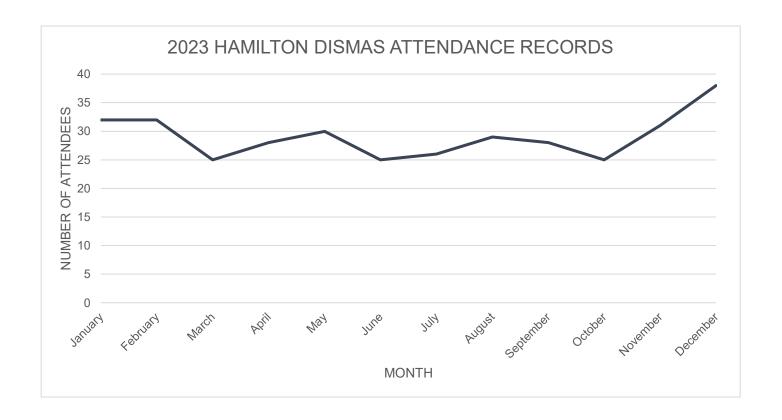


Figure 1

2023 Attendance Records

In total, we had 349 people attend Hamilton Dismas in 2023. There were 79 different people with 22 female and 57 male. We had 46 CoSA Core Members, 13 guests, 2 staff & 18 different volunteers that make up the total of 79 different people in attendance throughout 2023. This graph shows the total per month that add up to 349 people who attended Dismas Hamilton in 2023.



EXPENSES

We had a total of \$6,454.35 in expenses throughout the year. This includes an honorarium of \$1,000 paid to First Pilgrim United Church where our Dismas meetings are held and a \$300 honorarium to Harry Nigh for hosting a special training event for our volunteers. We also paid a total of \$388.80 in Liability Insurance, \$586.85 in office expenses, \$1,362.40 in Tim Hortons gift cards & Hamilton Dismas Photo Club Calendars that were given out as Christmas gifts. We spent \$2,686.30 in groceries and kitchen supplies. So, on average it costs \$223.86 per month to serve food & drink to our Dismas Fellowship community.

2023 HAMILTON DISMAS BUDGET

	2023 Budget	2023 ACTUAL
REVENUE		
Friends of Dismas	\$600.00	\$940.00
MCC	\$4,300.00	\$5,300.00
Meeting Collections	\$1,440.00	\$1,224.30
Directed Donations		\$2,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$6,340.00	\$9,464.30
EXPENSES		
Meeting Space	\$1,000.00	\$1,080.00
Insurance	\$216.00	\$388.80
Food	\$2,400.00	\$2,589.26
Kitchen Supplies	\$984.00	\$97.04
Office	\$650.00	\$586.85
Special Item	\$150.00	\$1,362.40
Service Charge	\$50.00	\$50.00
Special Events	\$940.00	\$300.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$6,390.00	\$6,454.35

Surplus \$3,009.95