

# NEXT GENERATION

VISION TEAM LANE REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2023



## LANE OVERVIEW

United City Church's NextGen Lane is all about helping the younger generations to believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ, belong to a community of Kingdom believers and become all God wants them to be. Godly leaders are the ones who prepare the way from one generation to another, calling them and equipping them to follow Jesus.

Scripture outlines in many accounts how God is a God of generations. Genealogies show us the people of God have been passing the faith on from generation to generation successfully as far back as the biblical records. Every generation matters to Jesus. Most often, the younger generations are the missing age gap in church. In fact, research from The Barna Group showed that after the age of 30, the likelihood of responding to the gospel for salvation is less than 4%. In other words, people who are giving their lives to Christ as Lord and Savior are doing it while they're kids, still in their teens, or in their twenties.

The faith of the next generation of leaders is our priority at United City. History outlines it. The future depends on it.

**VISION GAP**  
**\$5,000,000**

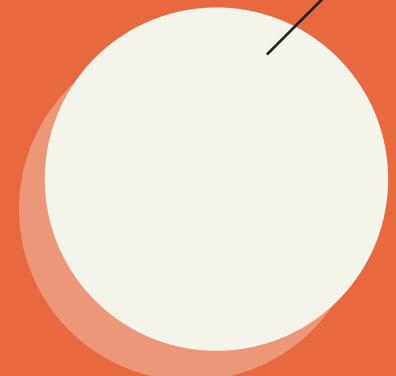
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**VISION**  
**\$5,000,000**

**FUNDED**  
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## LANE HIGHLIGHTS

- 746 first time guests in United City Kids so far in 2023
- 712 unique kids attended a UC Kids service in August
- 750+ unique kids have attended a UC Kids outreach event and heard the Gospel so far in 2023.
- Our next generation ministries are currently leading ongoing campus outreach opportunities in 21 local schools.
- 78 students have led an on campus Bible devotional within their local schools.
- UC has hosted 20 local school sports banquets on our campus in 2023.
- 531 first time guests in United City Youth (UCY) in 2023.
- UCY averages 453 unique students monthly.
- 1,540 unique students have attended a UCY outreach event and heard the Gospel so far in 2023.
- 127 students are currently part of a United City SERVE Team.
- 40 UCY students have been on mission trips and canvassed over 5,000 homes to forward the vision of our church plant partners.
- 160 salvations within Next Generation ministries at UC so far in 2023
- 128 baptisms within Next Generation ministries at UC so far in 2023



# NEW VISION PROJECTS

## RESIDENCY PROGRAM

At United City Church, we are passionate about empowering other pastors and leaders. The United City residency program plays an integral part of building the next generation of leaders to serve churches and advance the Gospel. Through a residency program, UC can offer a unique opportunity for emerging leaders who feel called to vocational ministry to learn from and work alongside more experienced church leaders who help develop, grow, and train future church leaders in righteousness, leadership, and longevity in their calling.

The residency program at United City is designed to give hands-on experience working with various staff teams of the church, combined with personal mentoring and leadership training to equip emerging church leaders for a lifetime of ministry significance. While most residents have been theologically and academically prepared for ministry by their education, their further development of leadership and ministry skills benefit greatly from hands-on experience and a close mentorship that can only come from inside a local church. Sobering statistics show us there is great need for a residency:

- 80% of people who start their career in vocational ministry will no longer be in ministry in 5 years.
- 60% of ministers do not feel that seminary or Bible college alone adequately prepared them for a career in vocational ministry.

Much of the reason for discontentment, drop out, and moral failure in ministers is due to not having a healthy introduction to full time ministry. Furthermore, the next generations are not only drifting from God and His church, but are doing so in large part because of a lack of passionate, equipped, and resourced church leaders.

United City is a healthy, growing, and loving church with the convictional belief God is calling us to train, equip, and encourage the call of God on the lives of future church leaders. Everything that we do should seek to advance God's Kingdom on earth and a residency program is one of the primary ways we can advance the Kingdom of God for future generations.

We would like to launch a residence program with 10 residents. To support the program, \$350,000 would be needed annually to cover overhead/salaries. We are praying for a significant endowment to cover the expenses of the residency program for 15-20 years.

**INVESTMENT**

**\$5,000,000 ENDOWMENT**