



# common ground montgomery

## vision:

Common Ground Montgomery's vision is to see a renovated and thriving community in Washington Park that has strong godly leadership and intact two-parent families, that cares for the poor, the underprivileged, and the marginalized, and becomes an incubator for gospel created cross-cultural relationships that transform Montgomery and beyond.

## mission:

CGM's mission is to revitalize the Washington Park Community and transform the city of Montgomery and beyond through...

1. Building leaders from urban youth through long term mentorship, biblical discipleship, and developmental programs.

2. Creating an umbrella of Christian community development partners that focus on neighborhood transformation.

3. Teaching principles of unity and change through the Common Ground Institute.

...For the glory of God.

## how we do it:

We have chosen to take a long term approach to transforming a distressed neighborhood by living as neighbors and doing life together in the neighborhood, investing in gospel-driven leadership development, and bringing change to our city by connecting people across racial and cultural boundaries for the sake of the gospel.

In the context of real relationships, we seek to create programs and connections that facilitate mutual transformation in the power of the gospel.

## programs and partner ministries:

- After School Program with 120+ kids that focuses on academics, evangelism, arts, and life skills training
- Bible studies and discipleship groups with kids and adults
- Long-term one-on-one mentoring
- Financial literacy and job training for youth
- Financial literacy and home ownership training for adults
- College tours and mission trips
- Rebuilding the community through renovating dilapidated older houses and building new houses
- Summer Camp that keeps kids off the streets and with loving adults
- Summer internship with college students
- Christmas Store providing reduced cost toys to families in the community
- Purity studies with kids age 9-18
- Sports teams and arts opportunities
- Gardening and healthy eating
- Training of visiting teams and groups on the theology of mercy, unity, and change
- CGM operates on an annual budget of \$810,000.
- More than 90% of all funding goes to providing direct services to high risk youth and their families.



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