Founded in 1903 by the United Methodist Women, the mission of the Dumas Wesley Community Center is to educate, empower and enrich the local community through collaborative programs of Christian service that provide for immediate human needs, strengthen family life, develop leadership and encourage personal responsibility.
In 2017, 266,715 services were provided for 1,973 low-income families, vulnerable seniors, single mothers, at-risk youth and homeless families.
Overcoming Homelessness

"I've come a long way. I knew it was time to leave my husband when my children were witnesses to the physical abuse I endured. So, I walked out on faith. I knew I needed structure and an environment where I felt safe. I am grateful to Sybil Smith and its staff. It's more than a roof over my head- they gave me the tools I needed to be a better person and mom. As a domestic violence survivor, I wanted to be able to tell my story, to help women who are in similar situations know that there is life after abuse. I am grateful to Dumas Wesley and Sybil Smith for giving me the opportunity to not walk in silence anymore!"

Nicole, former Transitional Housing Program participant

From the Halls of Dumas Wesley to Orthopedic Surgeon

“Dumas Wesley has provided a lot of opportunities for me and my family. The activities that were offered during my time at Dumas enhanced those skills which are very crucial to my professional life as an epidemiologist and a healthcare educator. I'm on track to becoming an orthopedic surgeon, the first doctor in my family. I want to give back to Dumas. I want to help the center help others. What better place than Dumas. It's home to me, I grew up there. It's a no brainer."

Calvin Mauldin, former After School Achievement Program participant
$11,447 in day care subsidies were provided for homeless children at Sybil H. Smith Family Village, Dumas Wesley’s Transitional Housing program.

1,883 individuals in the community received assistance from the Clothing Closet. 78,000 pieces of free clothing were given away.

709 community volunteers from local universities and schools, businesses and the Mobile community dedicated over 1,400 hours lending a hand at the Center.

84 hours of life skill classes were offered to seniors in the Senior Activities for Independent Living program. Classes focused on nutrition, financial education and healthy lifestyles.

4,902 households received supplemental food from the Joseph Project Food Pantry, a community partner of Dumas Wesley.

756 hours of extracurricular activities including tutoring, computer discovery, sports, supper, and special events were provided for school-age children in the After School Achievement Program.

50 children enjoyed weekly field trips through Dumas Wesley’s Summer Recreation program.

226,944 meals were served to children enrolled in the Family Day Care Home Program. Dumas Wesley is a sponsor of the USDA’s Child and Adult Care Food Program.

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Transitional Housing Sybil H. Smith Family Village

Provides up to 24 months of housing and support services to families experiencing homelessness

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After School Achievement Program

Provides educational programs, arts and crafts, neighborhood outreach, athletic events and summer recreation for at-risk youth

“My house is right down the street from Dumas Wesley. I love getting off the bus in front of Dumas Wesley. The After School program allows me to get my homework done, makes sure that I don’t get hungry, and well, it’s just a lot of fun. We play a lot of games and I get to make friends. Thank you for helping me.”

--- Kay-Kay, After School Achievement Program participant
Transportation Program
Offers free transportation to doctor appointments for local seniors twice a week

Senior Activities for Independent Living
Encourages daily enrichment and nutrition for seniors 60 and older

“It’s just a blessing to be here at Dumas Wesley. They treat me so nice and help me get around. I enjoy being here because we look out for each other.”
-- Ms. Gwendolyn, Senior Activities for Independent Living participant
Community Partners
Assists the community by providing clothing, food, immigration assistance and employment readiness training
• Our Sisters’ Closet
• Gulf States Immigration Services (pictured above)
• Joseph Project Food Pantry (pictured at right)
• Clothing Closet (pictured below)

Child and Adult Care Food Program
Monitors local home day care centers offering nutritional training, food monitoring and food reimbursements
2017 Fast Facts

**Seniors**
- **110** Enrolled youth in the free After School Achievement Program
- **12,805** Free meals served to underprivileged children
- **4,896** Hours of free tutoring
- **252** Free meals served to underprivileged children
- **246** Parents reported income $15,000 or less
- **252** Hours of free tutoring
- **196** Seniors who are impoverished
- **51%** Seniors who are impoverished

**At-Risk Youth**
- **134** Total number of homeless individuals housed
- **20,242** Bed nights provided for families
- **361** Referrals received for assistance
- **31%** Referrals accepted for families living on the street
- **89%** Success rate among families who moved into permanent housing

**Budget**
- **$1,245,619** Annual budget
- **42%** Revenue from Corporate, private and United Way grants
- **41%** Revenue from government grants
- **17%** Revenue from churches, individuals and special events
- **85%** Expenses support programming
- **15%** Expenses support administrative costs
- **$608,586** Total amount of monetary donations from community supporters

**Homeless Families**
- **52** Licensed home day care providers participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program
- **316** Hours of in-home training provided by a Dumas Wesley Family Day Care Home monitor
- **476** Active children enrolled

**Home Day Care**
- **2017 Fast Facts**
2017 Special Events
Partnering with the community for volunteer opportunities, special events and fundraisers

Annual Plane Pull
In May, Dumas Wesley’s 2nd Annual Plane Pull was held at the Brookley Aeroplex. Teams competed to see who could pull an aircraft weighing 130,000 pounds over 12 feet in the fastest amount of time. All proceeds supported the Dumas Wesley Community Center. (Pictured above, Team Navy competes in the First Responders Division.)

Annual Toy Store
Christmas gifts for 150 children were donated thanks to the generosity of the community. Fifty-eight low-income families were selected to participate in the Annual Toy Store. Proceeds benefited the After School Achievement Program. (Pictured at right, Teiranni Kidd and Bradley Forester volunteer at the Toy Store.)

Days of Service
Dumas Wesley was honored to be a service site for several volunteer projects throughout the year. The University of South Alabama’s Martin Luther King Day of Service, The University of Mobile’s Project Serve, and The United Way of Southwest Alabama’s Day of Caring provided volunteers to lend a hand with a variety of projects around the Center.
To volunteer, donate or learn more follow us on Facebook and Twitter or visit dumaswesley.org!