Doubling The Dream

Things don’t always go the way you plan. Sometimes they turn out better. That’s our story for 2022.

We repeatedly tried to acquire land that’s adjacent to the Tulsa Dream Center to expand our long-term potential. We made multiple offers, with no deal in sight.

Then, something else happened. We were asked to take a look at an existing community center in West Tulsa that needed an owner with a vision for serving.

The 21,000-square-foot facility opened in 2012. A few nonprofits used it on a limited basis over the years – but none recently. It still looks and feels brand new.

It was even modeled after the Tulsa Dream Center. It includes a gym, clinic, kitchen, warehouse and classrooms. It’s the place that’s pictured at the top of this page.

Two faithful souls – Rossalyn and Lewis Wilson – took care of the property all these years hoping and praying it would someday finally be used to fulfill its purpose.

Rossalyn said, “We stayed in the trenches believing that help is on the way. It took a lot of personal sacrifice – a whatever-it-takes mentality. Now, help is here.”

That help is the Tulsa Dream Center. Right after Christmas, we purchased it debt-free with cash-on-hand for pennies on the dollar compared to its true value.

Now there are two Tulsa Dream Centers – a north campus and a west campus. The way it happened is something only God could do – beyond anything we imagined.

The 74107 zip code around the west campus mirrors the economic needs we see in North Tulsa, with more people living in poverty per capita than the state average.

We’ll begin replicating our programs for children and families in West Tulsa incrementally. First, we want feedback from the community on what’s needed most.