



2017 ANNUAL REPORT

**BUILDING STRONG
NEIGHBORHOODS**
Full of Opportunity



MISSION

The Milwaukee Christian Center (MCC) builds strong neighborhoods full of opportunity.



DAWNTTAE YOUTHBUILD PROGRAM

"YouthBuild taught me the skills I needed to stay focused on accomplishing my goals, take initiative and be a leader. I earned my high school diploma and my driver's license and now I am working toward long-term employment."

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MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP

Dear Friends,

As a result of your generosity, positive change is underway for Milwaukee families and neighborhoods!

Your investment in MCC's work means a wealth of opportunities—big and small—are extended to neighbors in need every day. Young people like Dawnttae are building their confidence and moving towards a future of stability. Teens like Zaryiah are finding the support they need to make good choices. Folks like Diana and Julio are achieving home ownership for the first time in their lives, and older adults like Sandy are finding friendship and support when needed most.

Big and small, these opportunities are changing lives and building strong neighborhoods. It is with deep pleasure and gratitude to you—our donors, partners, and volunteers—that we share the impact of your investment.



Karen Higgins
Executive Director



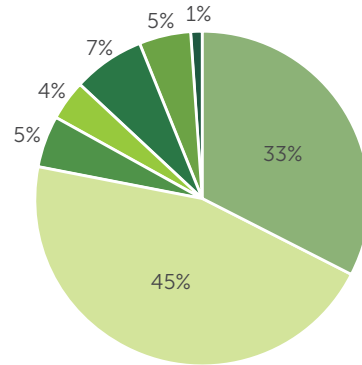
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FISCAL YEAR 2017

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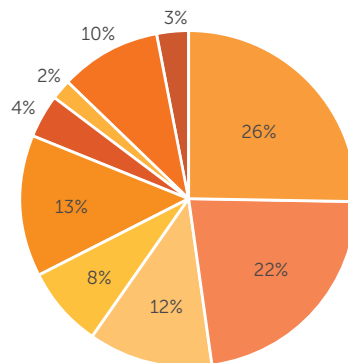
ANNUAL REVENUES

Government Grants.....	\$ 1,565,550	33 %
Contributions and Grants.....	\$ 2,144,060	45 %
House Sales.....	\$ 214,900	5 %
Program Service Fees.....	\$ 201,783	4 %
Contributions In-Kind.....	\$ 314,064	7 %
United Way.....	\$ 234,879	5 %
Other Revenue.....	\$ 32,457	1 %
TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUES.....	\$ 4,707,693	100 %



ANNUAL EXPENSES

Housing Programs.....	\$ 1,164,255	26 %
Violence Free Zone.....	\$ 1,018,099	22 %
YouthBuild.....	\$ 525,174	12 %
Emergency Food Pantry.....	\$ 368,883	8 %
Youth Programs.....	\$ 612,384	13 %
Senior Program.....	\$ 190,780	4 %
Building Neighborhood Capacity Program.....	\$ 72,364	2 %
General Administrative.....	\$ 453,102	10 %
Fundraising.....	\$ 115,008	3 %
TOTAL ANNUAL EXPENSES.....	\$4,520,049	100 %



NET ASSETS – \$1,315,224

YOUR INVESTMENT MATTERS.
With your support, MCC –

**SUPPORTS
YOUTH**



**CONNECTS
OLDER
ADULTS**



**STRENGTHENS
NEIGHBORHOODS**



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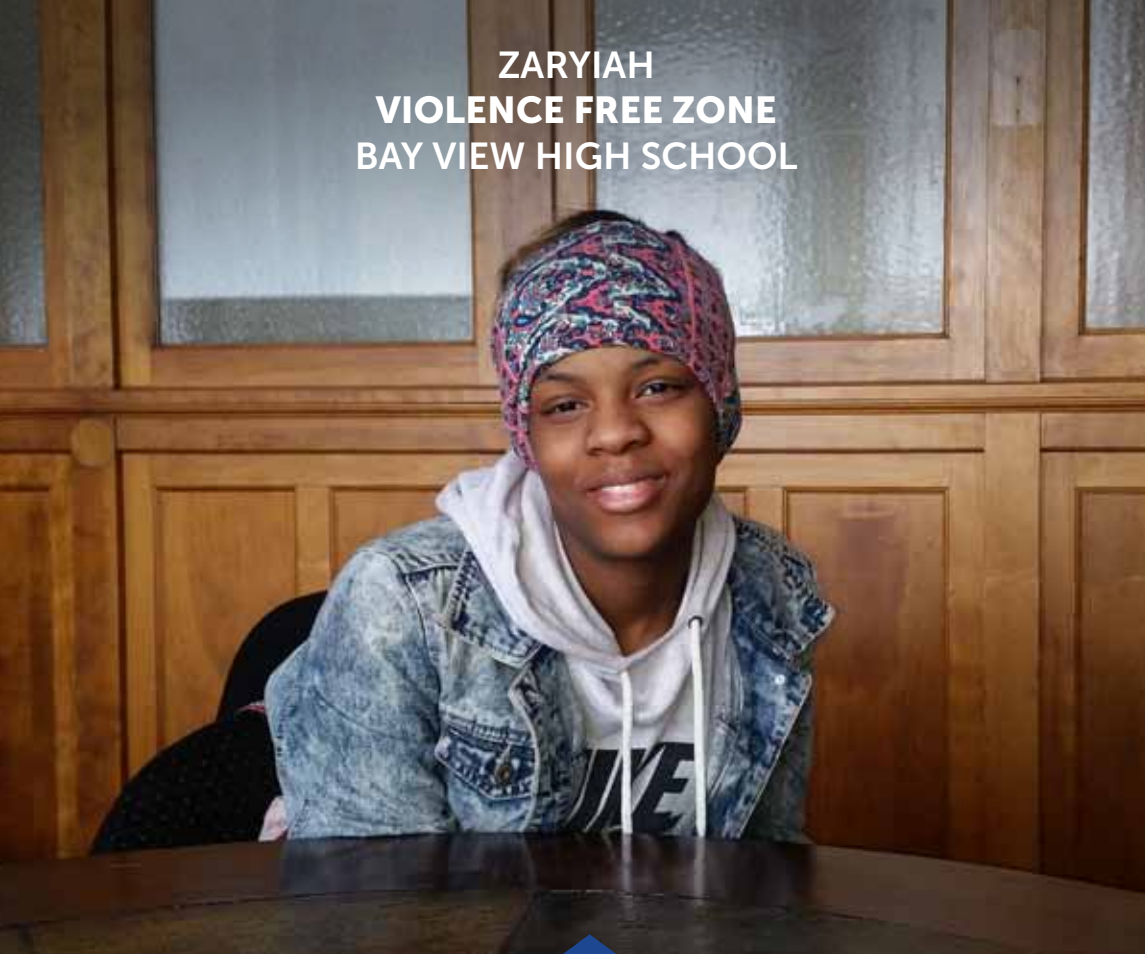
CHRIS LEGACY CIRCLE SPOTLIGHT

**"MCC helps people live their
lives fully. I've made a gift in my
will because I want to continue
supporting it far into the
future. MCC treats all people
with respect. I can't imagine a
world without it."**

– Chris Leitner

Chris is a former MCC board
member and now gives her time and
talents to MCC as a volunteer in its
Senior Program. She is a member of
First Baptist Church of West Allis.

ZARYIAH VIOLENCE FREE ZONE BAY VIEW HIGH SCHOOL



Zaryiah joined MCC's Violence Free Zone (VFZ) Program at Bay View High School two years ago. While life for Zaryiah is better today, it hasn't always been easy for her. She faced daily challenges of being a high school student and finding a job to help care for her young son. "I needed help to get my life back on track."

Zaryiah met with VFZ staff, who took the time to talk and "helped me get through a lot of stuff. When I talk to someone from

VFZ, everything just gets better – every day, every time – my days just get better and better." Staff taught Zaryiah how to make good decisions and work through the challenges in her life.

Today, Zaryiah feels good about the direction her life is taking as a student, mom, and now, as an employee.

"I thought I would never have a job or be able to get help for my son. Everything is good now."

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MARIA BUILDING NEIGHBORHOOD CAPACITY PROGRAM



Maria cares about her neighbors. As a resident of the Muskego Way neighborhood for the past 28 years, Maria believes in being a strong advocate for her community and dedicates her time to leading improvements. From working with the local alderman to create safer streets to weeding and cleaning up the community garden, Maria cares about improving her community and would “like to see neighbors more involved in creating change.”

Maria believes, as citizens of our community, “we all have an obligation to contribute. I know that with good will, effort and energy, many things can be achieved.”

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Sandy and her husband, Smith, have been driving to the Senior Program at MCC for 12 years. Sadly, Smith passed away last year, leaving Sandy unable to find transportation to the Center. Knowing Sandy was isolated in her home, MCC staff helped her secure transportation to MCC.

Now Sandy attends the Senior Program three days a week, benefitting from the exercise classes and enjoying the many activities offered here, including Sandy’s favorite - Bingo.

“It is so sad to be home alone. Coming here makes me happy, because I see all of my friends.”

DIANA & JULIO HOUSING PROGRAM



The desire to own their own home and a need to get out of their current rental situation propelled Diana and Julio to inquire about a new home MCC was building in their neighborhood on Milwaukee's near south side.

The house met their needs, with the big yard and the garage an added bonus. Working through the application process and partnering with a local bank and

MCC, Diana and Julio finalized the purchase of their first home.

Today, the family has settled into their spacious new home in a vibrant community and couldn't be happier.

"Owning a new home was important to us. Now our monthly payments go toward a home we own."

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JUDY
EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

Struggling to keep food on the table, Judy has visited MCC's Emergency Food Pantry to supplement her groceries and has also received assistance with clothes, bedding and furniture. "I always recommend MCC to others," mentions Judy. **"Too many people are ashamed to ask for help, but trust MCC. They are there to help!"**

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