IMPACT REPORT
2020-2021

It takes a village.
The COVID-19 Pandemic has presented significant challenges to our community and our world, exacerbating issues and injustices our community has been dealing with for decades. In the 2020-2021 school year, students faced a second consecutive year of virtual learning, which our education system was unprepared for at large. Our students and families experienced the loss of loved ones, burnout, lack of social connections, increased stress, and greater social/emotional needs. Many youth found themselves disengaged from school, as evidenced by significant drops in attendance and, subsequently, grades.

Despite our many challenges, our team worked tirelessly to support youth and their families. Our village of members, partners, funders, volunteers, and staff rallied, convened, and collaborated to accelerate our support when our community needed food, vaccines, rental assistance, and safe places for their children to learn. And because we are acutely aware of the lasting impact this pandemic has had on our community, especially our youth, we continue to adapt to meet their needs and improve outcomes so that they can succeed.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

"...because we are acutely aware of the lasting impact this pandemic has had on our community...we continue to adapt to meet their needs and improve outcomes so that they can succeed."

— Walter Lewis
We serve children, families, and the community by breaking down the social and economic barriers to success.

Together, with a strong village of support, we are transforming Homewood, creating a community of opportunity—a place where families thrive and children succeed.
Through collaboration, engagement, advocacy, and research, we offer a continuum of direct services and learning support for children and their families.

**YOUTH SERVICES**

- 52% of 434 youth improved or maintained a GPA of 2.5 or better.
- 181 youth participated in college and career exploration activities.
- AmeriCorps Members served 133 youth with over 768 service hours.

**FOOD & BASIC NEEDS**

- HCV supported 549 individuals with food and basic needs, helping a total of 269 families.
- 200,000+ meals delivered since the start of the pandemic in partnership with Bible Center Church.
- Provided 100+ laptops to students in need.
- Provided $84,000+ in rental assistance to families.

**TOTAL SERVED:**

- 1320 FAMILIES
- 1181 YOUTH
- 937 ADULTS

Our programs are *youth-centered*, designed to provide support from *cradle to career*. 
We connect families to resources that include continued education, job training, and anti-poverty and leadership programs. The ultimate goal of this multigenerational (2Gen) programming approach is to support families holistically toward self-determination and physical and economic well-being, which provides the foundation for self-sufficiency.

I am thankful and humbled, and I’m grateful. I feel like you go out of your way to help me. Without you, I would not be getting my home delivery for seniors or my food delivery!

— A Homewood Resident

377 adults participated in 2Gen programs

187 adults Supported by Family Advocates

HCV also provides programming for families and adults, centered on the core belief that parents are children’s first teachers, and the research suggests that increasing adults’ capacity can improve child outcomes.
Recognizing the lack of vaccine clinics accessible to Homewood residents at the height of the pandemic, HCV, with the support of other community partners, organized a 2-day clinic where 1,000+ community members received the COVID-19 vaccination. The event was subsequently replicated for the second dose and a third for booster shots, all doses, and flu shots.

PARTNERSHIPS

Allegheny County Health Department
Alma Illery, Primary Health Services (PCHS)
Black Equity Coalition (BEC)
Homewood-Brushton Branch, YMCA
UPMC Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh
UPMC Magee Women’s Hospital
United Way of Southwestern PA
Covid Vaccine Collaborative
Allegheny County Health Department
University of Pittsburgh, Schools of Nursing and Pharmacy
University of Pittsburgh, Community Engagement Center, Homewood

“The Homewood vaccination clinic was an amazing achievement. HCV worked with the BEC, University of Pittsburgh, PCHS, the YMCA and several other partners for the clinic. With additional support from volunteers, we collectively were able to contact and register 1,000 seniors from the community. We then worked to host the clinic over two days, assisting residents getting to the clinic, keeping them out of the cold, and getting them in and out in a timely manner. Residents frequently commented on how smooth the process was. From the first meeting to the last patient leaving the clinic, the whole event occurred in 4 days! Being part of this work was one of the highlights of my professional career.”

Raymond Robinson
Director of Partnerships and Community Engagement
EVENTS & GIVEAWAYS

108 Coats
Winter

307 Turkeys
Holidays

143 Gifts
Toy Drive

88 Gift Cards
Families

25 Bikes
Distributed

“Ms. McCoy, you have made my life so bearable. Your love and devotion to the children are real. The way you organize and support us [by] going [the] extra mile...I salute you. You were genuinely born to serve.

— A thank you note from a parent to a Family Advocate
In 2021, we grew our team to include a Director of Outreach and Development and a Director of Partnerships and Community Engagement. This allowed us to increase our internal capacity to build relationships, develop partnerships, and generate income to expand our programs and services.

We hired 5 additional Family Advocates to the team including to provide ongoing holistic support to families, connecting them to high-quality programs and services while supporting youth with the tools and resources that help them achieve success in school and life.

To facilitate well-being and stability, our Family Advocates work with families to provide resources that further their emotional, environmental, financial, intellectual, occupational, physical, social, and spiritual development.
HIGHLIGHTS

FINANCIALS

Revenue - Total $3,523,375
- Foundation & Government Grants - 70%
- Programs & Services Contracts - 22%
- Individuals & Corporate Donations - 7%
- In-Kind and Other Support - 1%

Expenses - Total $2,636,018
- Programs - 81%
- Management & General - 14%
- Fundraising - 5%
To all partners, leaders, funders, supporters, team members, donors, volunteers, champions, and friends—you are all members of our village.

412 Food Rescue
Action Housing Inc
ALCOSAN
Allegheny County Department of Human Services (DHS)
Allegheny County Health Department
AthLife
Bible Center Church
Bike Pittsburgh
Black Monarch/Camo Customz
Black Radish Kitchen
Black Urban Farmers and Gardeners (BUGS)
BNY Mellon
Boy Scouts of Laurel Highlands
Cancer Free Economy Network
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh
Carnegie Mellon University
Coaching Boys Into Men (The United Way)
Citizens Bank
City of Pittsburgh
Clare Foundation
Community College of Allegheny County
Community Empowerment Association
Cosmos Technologies
Dollar Bank
Each One Teach One
Fathers Collaborative Council of Western Felecia Brown Media
Giant Eagle
Google
Grable Foundation
Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank
Green Building Alliance
Grow Pittsburgh
Healthy Ride
Hefren-TilLOTSON
The Heinz Endowments
Hillman Family Foundations
Holy Royal Arch Masons of PA, Sheba Chapter #13
Homewood Brushton Business
Homewood Community Development Collaborative (HCDC)
Human Service Administration Organization (HSAO)
Hype Media 2020
Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh
Jewish Healthcare Foundation
Just Harvest
Kelly-Strayhorn Theater
The Kresge Foundation
McElhattan Foundation
Mission Continues
Mt. Ararat Community Center
My Brother’s Keeper, City of Pittsburgh
Neighborhood Allies
North Way Christian Community Church L.A.M.P.
Operation Better Block (OBB)
Omicelo
Painting with Perfection
Partner 4 Work
PBEOC RK Melon
PearArts Studio
PennSERVES
Pittsburgh Black Elected Officials Coalition (PBEOC)
The Pittsburgh Foundation
Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy
Pittsburgh Pirates
Pittsburgh Police Department Zone 5
Pittsburgh Public Schools
Pittsburgh Steelers
Pittsburgh Technical College
Primary Care Health Services
RAND Corporation
Reading Is Fundamental
Remake Learning
Richard King Mellon Foundation
Ruth’s Way
Salvation Army
Strong Women, Strong Girls
The Forbes Funds
The Shop
The United States Department of Education (DOE)
The United Way of Southwestern PA
Tree Pittsburgh
Trying Together
United Way-Be There Attendance
University of Pittsburgh
University of Pittsburgh Community Engagement Center
Urban Academy
Venture Outdoors
Wesley Family Services
Western PA Food Bank
Westinghouse High School Alumni Association
The Wheel Mill
Women for a Healthy Environment
YMCA
YWCA
OUR TEAM

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Family Advocate

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It takes a village to raise a child, support families, and transform a community.