



**HOMEWOOD**  
CHILDREN'S  VILLAGE

# IMPACT REPORT

## 2020-2021

*It takes a village.*

## 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



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.

# CHILDREN FAMILIES COMMUNITY

## WHAT WE DO



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.

# HIGHLIGHTS

## 2020-2021

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**.



# 2-GEN PROGRAMMING

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.

# PARTNERSHIPS

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.



“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

**1,000+ community members vaccinated with the help our partners!**

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

# 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





# TEAM GROWTH



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.

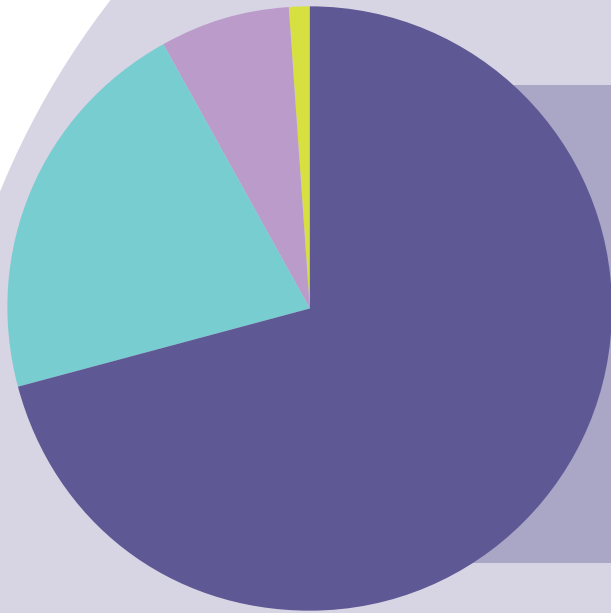
We hired **5 additional** Family Advocates to the team including to provide ongoing holistic support to families, connecting them to high-quality programs and services while supporting youth with the tools and resources that help them achieve success in school and life.

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

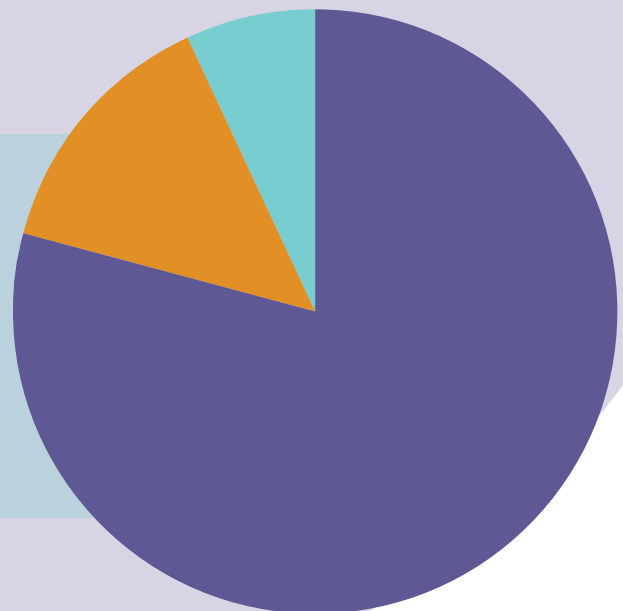


Revenue - Total \$3,523,375

- 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%



# THANK YOU

PARTNERS,  
FUNDERS  
& FRIENDS

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  
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PennSERVES  
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Pittsburgh Public Schools  
Pittsburgh Steelers  
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Remake Learning  
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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

Charis Alton  
Family Advocate

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Community Schools Site Manager, Fasion

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transform a community.**