

Report of the 32nd Avenue Jubilee Center to
the 128th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Colorado - October 1-3, 2015



32nd Avenue Jubilee Center
Serving with compassion & seeking justice for our Northwest Denver neighbors.



The 32nd Avenue Jubilee Center has been a constant presence in the Northwest Denver community since 2001.

executive summary

For the 32nd Avenue Jubilee Center, 2014 was a year of challenges and new hope. Our major challenge has been how to best serve the low-income residents of North Denver as they struggle with meeting basic necessities in the midst of our rapidly gentrifying neighborhood with its higher rent, increased property taxes, and fewer employment opportunities.

The Center was blessed this year to receive a grant from the Justice and Advocacy Ministries Group of the Episcopal Church to perform an Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) demonstration project in North Denver. This project has taught us much about what draws people to this community, as well as what their greatest interests and desires are for this neighborhood. As we have been witness to the value of facilitating connections among new gentry and long-term residents of the community, our hope is that the Jubilee Center can also help infuse values of compassion and justice into the gentrification process so that those in poverty can have an equal voice and place in the community.

We give thanks to our many grant-makers, church and individual donors, and volunteers for their faithful support to the Jubilee Center! Please know that we are committed to continue serving those in need in North Denver for 2015.

our financial story

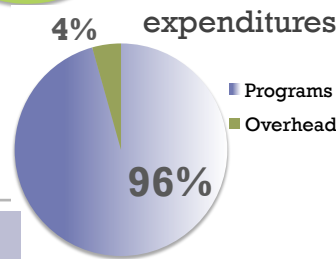
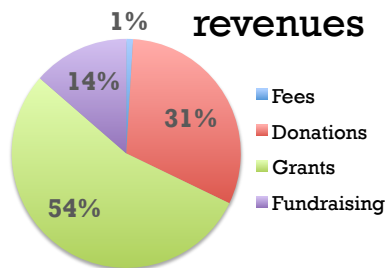
The 32nd Avenue Jubilee Center receives financial support from many sources in the Denver area and Episcopal Diocese of Colorado. 2014 revenues were \$117,272 compared to expenditures of \$109,797. Ninety-six cents of every dollar went directly to supporting the people who benefit from the programs and services offered by the 32nd Avenue Jubilee Center. These numbers for 2014 are provided prior to the formal review of our financials.

We are a small 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization.

We are so grateful for our Episcopal Service Corps Interns
Joe Ellerbroek (left) and John Putnam (right)!



In 2014, volunteers served over 1,500 hours, a value of \$34,400! Our programs provided training opportunities for interns from Episcopal Service Corps, Regis University, Cliffl School of Theology, Community College of Denver, & North High School.



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John Putnam, Interns,**
Episcopal Service Corps
- Maria Casillas**
Bilingual Interpreter, Translator,
and Input Support



Welcome to
Maria Casillas,
our newest staff member!

2014 highlights



Youth Educational Enrichment

Our youth educators provide a safe, fun place for at-risk children to receive continuing academic support in our After-School Program and Summer Educational Enrichment Kamp (SEEK). In 2014, we

- Had over 1,800 visits from children (ages 6-14), most of whom were Latino.
- Provided tutoring and homework assistance for on average 30 students/wk.
- Served 47 youth through our SEEK program.

Emergency Assistance

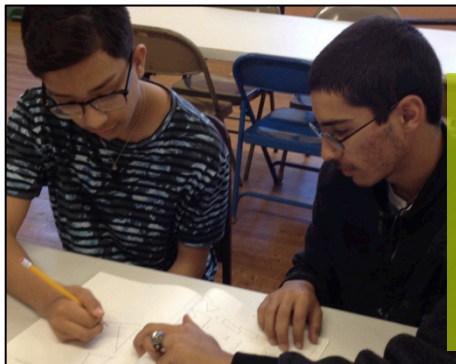
Our intake desk receives people who are seeking assistance for their basic human needs – shelter, food, supplies, and fuel. In 2014, we

- Welcomed 1,482 guests at our intake desk (15% veterans, 17% new guests, 18% homeless).
- Provided food assistance to >500 guests.
- Aided 116 guests with rent & utility assistance paperwork through agencies including LEAP, Betty Proctor Fund, and the Action Center; funding assistance was valued at over \$10,000.
- Helped 200 guests with basic assistance.

Community Healthcare

Our healthcare staff provide medical education and basic healthcare screening and assistance for low income residents in need. In 2014, we

- Issued > 2,500 bus passes (value \$4,300) for access to medical/dental appointments.
- Enabled 27 guests to receive medical prescriptions and/or vision care.



Jubilee Center intern and North High School student Carlos Garcia (right) tutoring during the After-School Program.



SEEK students on a field trip in summer 2014.

Immigration Advocacy Initiative

The Center's staff assisted 14 youth/young adults who qualified under the federal Deferred Action for Childhood Applicants (DACA) program. We provided financial assistance for legal fees and application fees to the Department of Homeland Security. By qualifying for Deferred Action, these youth/young adults are able to receive their Social Security cards and drivers' licenses, thus enabling them to obtain gainful employment.

Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD) Pilot Project

With a grant from the Episcopal Church, the Center conducted an ABCD pilot project in the North Denver neighborhood. We conducted one-on-one interviews with local residents and business owners, facilitated small group conversations among people with common

interests, and hosted a community meeting to identify what people value about their neighborhood. We are preparing an ABCD manual to be published in 2015 for use in other churches and ministries.

coming soon!

In 2015, the Center will be releasing a manual titled *ABCD with Your Neighborhood* about its experience with Asset-Based Community Development. The manual will be available to churches, nonprofits, and other entities interested in learning about connecting and empowering neighborhood residents.

ABCD Coordinator Aspen Matthews presenting the ABCD project at Diocesan Convention in October 2014.



Many thanks to our church partners for your generous donations and support! We are so grateful!

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