We are pleased to present Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry’s 2016 Annual Report. For 48 years, LMM has been committed to innovative ways to help the community through advocacy and social service. Your generosity allows us to continue to make a difference in the lives of 8,000 people each year. Here are just a few of 2016’s many highlights:

- LMM named a Chief Operating Officer as part of our 2016 focus of strengthening the structure of the agency. Maria A. Foschia, MBA, LSW, is the first to hold the title in the agency’s history.
- “Chopping for Change” came to fruition in 2016 to help reduce women’s recidivism in Ohio. The program provides culinary training for women in the criminal justice system that empowers them to re-join the labor force upon release.
- Gritty City, formerly called Trek for Teens, moved to the St. Clair Superior neighborhood. The 5K run/1 mile walk benefits youth services.
- The RNC came to town and LMM leadership staff were listed as experts in a resource guide given to international media. Topics included criminal justice reform and homelessness in Cleveland.
- The agency increased its digital footprint by ramping up social media use across multiple platforms.

As we quickly move toward our 50th year in 2019, we are committed to helping people in need in the areas of Housing & Shelter, Workforce Development, and Health & Wellness Services. The progress you’ll see in this report continues because of your support and generosity.

Thank you! We look forward to sharing another year of vital community impact with you.

With appreciation,

Andrew Genszler  
President & CEO

Marcella J. Brown, MNO  
Chair, Board of Directors
2016 community impact

3,793
HOMELESS ADULTS AND YOUTH RECEIVED SHELTER

842
PEOPLE ACCESSED HEALTH CARE

800
PEOPLE HAD POSITIVE HOUSING OUTCOMES

8,272
PEOPLE SERVED

3,584
VOLUNTEERS ENGAGED

572,020
POUNDS OF FOOD PREPARED FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS

175
STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATED IN ADVOCACY INITIATIVES

99.5%
OF RE-ENTRY PARTICIPANTS STAYED OUT OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry
Housing & Shelter • Workforce Development • Health & Wellness Services
advocacy & civic engagement

The Office of Advocacy works to change public policy and raise awareness of important community issues. Our advocacy staff accomplishes this through direct public policy advocacy, contact with public officials, civic engagement, and community events. LMM annually prioritizes, and our board approves, public policy and advocacy issues reflective of program interests, community issues, client needs and stakeholder concerns. LMM has a mission-level commitment to advocacy and we work for common sense public policy solutions informed by innovative programs working on behalf of low-income and marginalized people.

Advocacy & Legislative Initiatives
• Joined in the push to maintain Medicaid expansion in Ohio
• Conducted four state and two federal Advocacy Day visits
• Obtained community-based support to help Ohio pass the Fair Hiring Act to help citizens receive employment
• Addressed issues related to housing for veterans, renewable energy, payday lending, criminal justice, and foster care

Civic Engagement
• Motivated 250 community residents to serve as Health and Wellness Ambassadors
• Educated 3,000th household on lead dangers through the Lead Paint prevention program
• Participated as a lead agency in the Ohio Transformation Fund for social change
• Inspired RTA to remove felony question from employment applications, also known as the “Ban the Box” initiative
• Developed and coordinated low-income and returning citizens in an initiative to reduce mass incarceration

LMM believes:
Smart and effective government is an essential way society makes equitable decisions to improve lives, families and communities. Good public policy results from people with differing views rationally finding common ground; transcending exaggerated differences and aligning for the common good.
we offer a hand up

2016 financial highlights

EXPENSES:

- Criminal Justice Services: 31%
- Housing and Shelter Services: 6%
- Guardianship and Adult Care Services: 16%
- At-Risk Youth Services: 14%
- Social Enterprises: 11%
- Advocacy and other services: 7%
- Management and Fundraising: 6%

CONTRIBUTIONS:

- Foundations: 19%
- Government support: 13%
- Fee for service and other: 3%
- Charitable contributions: 65%

- 85 cents of every dollar spent is used directly for programs
- RSM US completed our 2016 financial and Uniform Guidance Requirements audits
- Our year end net assets totaled $8,761,853
impact statement

LMM seeks that people who are oppressed, forgotten, and hurting be empowered, valued, and healed by our unwavering commitment to addressing chronic needs, enabling people to self-sufficiency, and advocating for system change. We seek to change the social, political, and religious conversation about justice from one of limitations to one of possibilities.
we build bridges…

“See Your Words” by Jo Byrne
Created at LMM’s savor on April 27, 2017
and communities
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