# Writing The Next Chapter

Helping The Recently Incarcerated Begin Navigating New Paths



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# Writing The Next Chapter Putting In The Work To Begin Life Anew

We are delighted to share Saint Leonard's Ministries 2022 Annual Report as we continue to write our next chapter together. As you read on, you will discover the rich and impactful history of Saint Leonard's Ministries that began in 1954 with one building housing 12 men released from jail. Cook County Jail Chaplin, Father James Jones, recognized the need to provide support for those coming out of jail as they reenter our communities, and Saint Leonard's House was born.

The chapters that follow this message lead you through the stories of resilient, innovative and dedicated people creating a safe, supportive, healing community focused on helping those returning from incarceration. There was **no judgment**, **no shame**, **no stigma**. Father Jones, an Episcopal priest, hung a framed motto above the entrance to Saint Leonard's House reading, "Let Each Guest Be Received as Christ." That edict and **commitment to social justice** runs thought the fabric of Saint Leonard's Ministries to this day.

As our residents, tenants, and program participants know all too well, society places stigmas and obstacles on those released from incarceration. Though the challenges of the formerly incarcerated have improved since 1954, many of the judgements and obstacles to employment and housing still exist today. Our dedicated staff works tirelessly to help clear those obstacles and create paths to opportunities that **support our community members as they write their next chapter**.

The distinguishing factor making Saint Leonard's Ministries programming so successful is over **40% of our staff are Saint Leonard's alumni**. They experienced the healing impact dignity, love and respect had on their journey at Saint Leonard's. Our staff supports our community members in unique, insightful and experiential ways. Quite simply, our programming and staff breaks the cycle of returning to prison with rates less than a quarter to a half of state averages of those without Saint Leonard's Ministries programming!

> As we prepare to write our next chapter together, we have worked diligently to ready ourselves for these steps. I am pleased to share some of our recent accomplishments:

• Our Board of Directors has formalized a **strategic plan to outline our Community's direction for the next 3 years**. This thoughtful plan will improve our integrated, holistic care for participants' and alumni's well-being, success and renewal.

• Efforts to fix our century-old buildings are underway, with a priority on our transitional housing for our reentry Community. We secured over \$1.4 million in public funding and continue to explore additional funding opportunities for building and programming revival and renewal.

• We will continue to work with DePaul University professors as we define broader outcome measures of our impact, especially in key areas of **dignity and respect**.

• We are living out our commitment to **Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging** in all aspects of our work, and especially with our community members.

Of course, we cannot accomplish this work alone. With our amazing co-located partners Rush University College of Nursing, Healthcare Alternative Systems and the Adler School of Professional Psychology, we have formalized a **sophisticated and integrated clinical care model of holistic supports** for many of Saint Leonard's Ministries community members. All on site. All with coordination and communication.

Our Board of Directors has approved a strategic plan to meet objectives for 2023 and beyond. This thoughtful plan will be our guidepost as we continue to make Saint Leonard's a leader in reentry for the formerly incarcerated. Key commitments of the strategic plan are:

**Commitment 1** – Saint Leonard's holistic service model is integrated throughout all programming creating **One Saint Leonard's Ministries for Life** extending long-term support of alumni on their journey beyond Saint Leonard's Ministries.

**Commitment 2** – **The Place to Work and Serve** – Saint Leonard's is the employer of choice in human services for the reentry population. Our employees and volunteers are the means to dignity and respect.

*Commitment 3* – Strong and Sustainable – Saint Leonard's has the resources (financial, people, facilities, and systems) needed to thrive both today and for the long-term. As shared earlier, several of our facilities do not support the level of care our community members deserve and need.

To accomplish these milestones, we will require the continued support of our wonderful benefactors, corporate partners, foundations and government funding sources. I can assure you that the return on donor investment here will make a significant difference in taxpayer savings on incarceration costs and put many eager, hardworking individuals on-track to reenter our workforce, and their families while living and prospering in Cook County and beyond.

I know our stories and history will inspire you as they inspire me each day I have the privilege to serve this amazing Community of love, dignity and support.

Writing the next chapter together begins now!

With gratitude,

Zack Schrantz Executive Director Larry Green Board President

## INTRODUCTION Lowering Recidivism Through S upport, Opportunity and Hope Strengthening Com munity & Families

The United States has less than 5% of the world's population yet has over 20% of the world's prison population. One of the biggest issues politicians and media focus on is being "tough on crime" and keeping our streets safe. However, there is little to no conversation regarding supporting those that have paid their

**MEN - 23%** 

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with a criminal record; it's virtually impossible without

most intimate feelings about growing up in underserved

assistance and time to heal. This is an all too common situation

**WOMEN - 9%** 

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debt to society, completed their sentence and are returning to our communities, the workforce and their families.

High recidivism rates are the norm across the United States and Illinois is no exception. In a nutshell, recidivism, or return to incarceration, is a cycle often resulting from a lack of resources, housing and employment. In Illinois, people are released with less than \$100, a bus or train ticket and the clothes on their back. Imagine serving decades in prison, being released, and trying to find housing and employment opportunities

of lacking resources while serving sentences. It is very common for our residents to experience **Recidivism Rate** Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder from experiences both in and 2022 out of incarceration. **MEN - 43%** In Illinois, the odds a formerly incarcerated man returning to **WOMEN - 36%** prison within three years is 43% and for women it is 36%. This calculates to more than \$13

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- Each recidivism costs over \$152,000 per individual.
- Saint Leonard's programming for one year is less than

These statistics do not take into account the impact on families, communities and the workforce. The human toll is immeasurable, as recidivism significantly impacts all of our communities.

billion taxpayer burden over five

years. What is more disturbing

violations" like violating curfew,

missing a court-mandated class

is a quarter of those returned

to prison are for "technical

or missing a meeting with a

probation officer.

that don't always have supportive resources available to community

members. Growing up and living with these influences can

create a seemingly endless cycle of desperation and the need

for survival, often exacerbated during incarceration as a result

#### Saint Leonard's Ministries Programming Slashes Recidivism Rates for our Residents

Our holistic approach to residents coming to our doors is to provide each person a pathway of opportunity to achieve and define the life they want on their terms. So many that participate in our programs have never had anyone ask about their psychological well-being, interests, education or dreams. Introducing a holistic, person-centric program that includes mental health support, substance use treatment, education and vocational skills training breaks the cycle of recidivism. The key to



Saint Leonard's Ministries successfully keeping people out of the carceral system is our incredible alumni staff.

#### Keys to Saint Leonard's Successes:

- Over 40% of our staff are alumni understanding community member's emotional and mental health needs.
- Comprehensive services and treatment plans take the whole person into account.
- Individuals work and progress at their own pace and are never charged for services.
- Alumni are welcomed back and can continue to use Saint Leonard's Services.

Some of our residents have served over 40 years and don't have their journey. family in their lives any longer. The staff at Saint Leonard's Ministries often becomes a family to those we serve while creating So many of our staff have walked the path new residents are a community of caring. Our successes come from looking at the about to undertake and set the example you can achieve what entire person, understanding their story, learning their needs and you want in your life!



The high cost or recidivism:

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for many of Saint Leonard's Ministries community members. \$15,000 per resident. Many of our community members have shared their stories and neighborhoods, challenging family dynamics, and in communities

#### **David Harris**

One of the key differentiators in Saint Leonard's Ministries success in keeping people from returning to the carceral system is our amazing alumni/staff. Forty percent of Saint Leonard's Ministries staff have completed Saint Leonard's programming and know the challenges. obstacles and rewards that accompany our residents when they arrive on campus. These dedicated alumni are with our residents every step of their journey and



David is the brightest example of dedication and service.

"Early is on time and on time is late." When you hear those words, you know Saint Leonard's Ministries alumni and longest tenured employee, David Harris, is not far away! That mantra is the example of the discipline, dedication and work ethic David brings daily to Saint Leonard's since his arrival to campus in 1996. David has always had a strong work ethic, even as a kid. The discipline that David acquired within himself took a while to emerge because he was exposed to much controversy and trauma as a child.

David is a life-long west side Chicagoan, knows the city like the back of his hand. loves to read and has an unwavering faith that guides his life. As David says, it is his "calling" to serve and help others. A path that was circuitous, painful and fraught with challenges along the way. As with everyone here at Saint Leonard's, there is more to David's story than meets the eye. You can read David's story at slministries.org.

providing opportunities. We strive to break the social stigma associated with incarceration, help knockdown obstacles to resident's success and walk with them every step of the way on

## PROLOGUE Walking The Talk-The Founding of Saint Leonard's Ministries

#### **Pioneers Against Racial Injustice**

It is one thing to theorize or talk about equality and social justice, but quite another to stand up, be heard and insist that action be taken. A commitment to some of the basic tenets of Christianity instilled a passion in our founder Father James Jones and his successor Father Robert Taylor. These men actually "walked the talk" and put words into action to help those seeking to regain



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control of their lives post-incarceration.

Racial segregation was the "norm" in American society in the 1950's. The tide began to turn in 1961 when Fathers Taylor and Jones joined the Freedom Riders groups of white and African American civil rights activists who participated in bus trips through the southern United States to protest segregated bus terminals. On September 13, 1961,

a group of 15 Episcopal priests including 3 black priests entered the Jackson Mississippi Trailways Bus Terminal. Upon entering the coffee shop, they were stopped by two policemen, who asked them to leave. After refusing to leave, all 15 were arrested and jailed for "breach of peace," under a now-repealed section of Mississippi law that "makes guilty of a misdemeanor anyone who congregates with others in a public place under circumstances such that a breach of the peace may be occasioned thereby, and refuses to move on when ordered to do so by a police officer." James Jones and Robert Taylor were among many arrested that historic day in Jackson Mississippi.

#### Saint Leonard's House Opens-A Safe Haven In Tumultuous Times

As Saint Leonard's House opened its doors in 1954 through the efforts of Father James Jones, Chaplain at Chicago's Bridewell

Jail, (now Cook County Jail.) Father Jones identified the extraordinary challenges and needs of the men coming out of the jail system, particularly those men facing racial discrimination, with virtually no support.

Father Jones shared the needs of those returning from the carceral system with the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago and the Diocese leadership quickly recognized this as a vital mission to serve the marginalized and aligned with their own mission of Christian service and care for those in need.

Father Jones was appointed Executive Director of Saint Leonard's House, a home and refuge for men returning from Bridewell Jail. Father Jones and his eventual successor, Father Robert Taylor, both Episcopal priests, were early forces in shaping Saint Leonard's House and took a holistic approach of healing the whole person. Both priests were well-known and respected in Chicago and the Illinois Department of Corrections because people were aware of the needs of those coming out of prison and saw the results being achieved at Saint Leonard's House. Word quickly spread through the Episcopal Diocese and to other Episcopal churches in the Chicago Area about the tangible results being delivered through the mission work. Through tenacity and long hours, the dedicated people that established the Saint Leonard's Community set the stage for the supportive, thriving community we enjoy today.



#### Growth To Meet The Needs **Of Changing Times**

Our reputation of delivering results coupled with an increasing need for services designed to provide a successful reentry to society promoted the founding of the Michael Barlow Center to provide education, training, and job placement services for formerly incarcerated men and women. In 2005 we opened the doors to this three-story, ADA compliant facility that includes six classrooms and three meeting rooms. Classrooms include a completely equipped commercial kitchen and an 18-station computer lab with internet access.

#### Sister Jean- Champion of People And Education

For over 16 years, Saint Leonard's Ministries Sister Jean Hughes Adult High School certificate program has been helping those

touched by the carceral system get their high school certificates. Countless numbers of residents and program participants have gone on to get their college degrees and other professional certifications because of this terrific program.



Sister Jean, an Adriatic Dominican Sister, was a fierce advocate for the

residents of Saint Leonard's and had a gift for not only the reentry work we do, she had a gift for people. Sister Jean seemed to know what a person needed even before they did. She also had a way of getting people to see the potential in themselves they couldn't.

In the early 1980's through the early 2000's, Adriatic Dominican Sister's played a major role at Saint Leonard's Ministries as directors of departments, working with residents, coordinating volunteers all while providing spiritual and emotional healing to our residents.

Education was incredibly important to the Sisters and to Sister Jean in particular. She leaves the legacy at Saint Leonard's Ministries with the Sister Jean Hughes Adult High School program. Since the Sister Jean Hughes Adult High School has



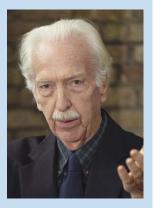


#### A Few Questions With **Bob Dougherty** Former Executive Director Saint Leonard's Ministies

#### What brought you to Saint Leonard's Ministries?

I wanted to respond to the Gospel calling to reach out to help those in need. I could see no other group of men and women more in need than those imprisoned.

#### What did you see are both short term and long term needs at Saint Leonard's?



Early on, I was struck by the dismal physical conditions of the setting which at that time was two buildings. We couldn't ask men to put their lives together while they lived in a hovel. We could work to enlarge the skill sets of those who worked at the House but no one - resident or staff - would stay around very long if the setting was so counterproductive. The bricks and mortar needs continued to be both short and long term needs during my years at Saint Leonard's.

Working with staff to develop a focus of service to residents that was humanistic and hope-filled was a long term need. This remained a constant concern with all endeavors at staff development. It always seemed to me that it paid off – as evidenced by SLM's very promising recidivism statistics.

#### What were and are the biggest misperceptions about SLM and our work at SLM?

Many friends and family members asked if I was afraid to work with so many "ex-convicts." It never once occurred to me to be afraid of anyone connected with Saint Leonard's. Really, the opposite, growing close to individuals who were re-creating their lives was ever present.

There are those who think some people "aren't worth the effort." It's really very easy to help an individual feel valued and worth their own effort at personal reconstruction. I always used to say what SLM does at its best "is not rocket science!"

been on our campus, over 500 adults completed their high school education. Sister Jean is beloved on the Saint Leonard's campus by our longtime staff/alumni with her picture on many a wall on campus! Sister Jean's influence is just as strong today as they were when she first walked on campus!



## CHAPTER Stability, Education & Job Re adiness – The Keys To Success

For some people we serve our program is the first true form of continuity they've experienced. Creating a stable environment and investment in education are the keys to success in rehabilitative services. After completing the transitional housing program at Saint Leonard's House, men have the opportunity to move to the next phase, apartment life at Saint Andrews Court. These subsidized units provide privacy and preparation for independent living after completing our program.

Women participants reside at Grace House, located in Chicago's near West Side. Launched in 1994, Grace House has provided interim housing, emotional and spiritual support, and professional counseling to women who are exiting the Illinois prison system.



When people are given

the chance to reflect and find themselves, we find that an entirely new individual emerges. In order to successfully compete in the job market, education is essential, and that's what we deliver.

The Michael Barlow Center is the hub of our educational program activities. Named after Michael Barlow, a Saint Leonard's alumnus who returned from his service in Vietnam with a heroin use issue.

Michael spent most of his twenty's living on the streets or in prison, and eventually decided he wanted something better for



himself. He entered a long-term treatment facility and worked hard to achieve sobriety. Michael was arrested for a crime he committed years earlier and once he completed his sentence came to Saint Leonard's Ministries as a resident and program participant. Upon completion of Saint Leonard's programming, Michael began working for Saint Leonard's as a house manager and

later transitioned to the role of a substance use counselor and eventually became Saint Leonard's Ministries first after-care counselor. Years later he became a spokesperson for Saint Leonard's, sharing his story and inspiring many until his untimely death from cancer at age 45.

The overarching goal of our work at The Michael Barlow Center is to help community members secure jobs with sustainable wages and benefits.

#### Our programs include:

Road to Success Program – This job readiness class will prepare students for the employment market and job search through resume preparation, mock interviews, dressing for success and the soft skills required to secure, maintain and grow as an employee.

Financial Literacy – A 4-week financial literacy class to teach participants about opening a bank account, establishing good credit, budgeting, banking in the digital age, investing and other important financial topics.

High School Preparation / Literacy Tutoring – This small-class format program is designed to offer individual assistance for the adult student who has been away from school for some time or has difficulty learning in a large classroom environment.

Sister Jean Hughes Adult High School - This single-semester, senior year equivalency program provides an opportunity for formerly incarcerated adult students (over the age of 21) to earn a High School Completion Certificate.

**Culinary Skills Vocational Education** – Culinary Training program teaches both basic and advanced culinary skills, including industry certifications in food handling safety and prepares participants for employment in a professional kitchen.

**Construction Skills Vocational** Education - Teaches basic and advanced construction techniques, including OSHA certifications. Participants have gone on to union trade apprenticeships and jobs. A grant from Boeing Global Engagement helps with funding.



Illinois Board of Higher Education - The Construction Skills Training Program and Culinary Skills Training Program are approved by the Division of Private Business and Vocational Schools of Illinois Board of Higher Education.

#### Saint Andrew's Court Celebrates 25-Years

Saint Andrew was considered Jesus's First Saint and was a fisherman by trade; Jesus called him a Fisher of Men! Naming our men's home after Saint Andrew is quite appropriate, as men completing the Saint Leonard's House program, they transition to their next steps as tenants of Saint Andrew's Court. In the 25 years Saint Andrew's Court has been in operation it has housed and served over 610 men and counting.

Saint Andrew's Court has 42 units of safe, clean, affordable housing with supportive services to assist tenants on their next steps to independence and returning to our communities. Each tenant has a private bathroom and kitchenette, providing a refresher course in life skill development and community interaction.

"When people are making it...when they come back and show you pictures of their apartment...those moments to me are the highlights of my career." David Rosa-Administrator & SLM Alumnus

Thirty of our housing units are subsidized by Chicago Housing and respect, because as David shares, "we all deserve that and that's the Authority (CHA); tenants work towards obtaining a permanent way I have been taught ... and that's the way I move forward with it." CHA Project Based voucher. As with any CHA housing voucher, tenants are required to pay 30% of their gross monthly income with the rest of the rental subsidized by CHA. For many of our Court CHA unit or move off campus. Many IDOC tenants have tenants, this is the first time they are responsible for paying rent. financial savings to bring with them. The Saint Andrew's Court support staff provides services that are David Rosa, Saint Andrew's Court Permanent Housing Site crucial to the tenant's long-term success. As one tenant said, "it's Administrator for 22 years summed up the housing program like the training wheels have come off." saying, "We not only teach our men how to find housing, we The remaining 12 units teach them how to keep it. We want them to be good neighbors."



are funded by the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) for one year. Tenants are not required to pay for any of their rent in an IDOC unit. However, Saint Andrew's Court encourages these tenants to set aside at least 30% of their gross monthly income which goes into a savings account. Once their one year in a DOC unit is completed, tenants either move in to a Saint Andrew's



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#### David Rosa

When you meet David Rosa his humility and caring spirit are on full display. A great deal has changed in his life since being paroled in 1999 after serving 26 years of a 150-year sentence. David learned about Saint Leonard's from his stepbrother, applied and was accepted into the program. He hit the ground running, determined to never return to life in a penitentiary.



After completing our program David rolled up his sleeves and began working for us as a part-time house monitor, then a program aid while returning to school to become a case manager. After a short stint as a case manager, then Executive Director Bob Dougherty, asked David if he would move to Saint Andrew's Court as the Administrator. David was surprised and said, "for a person coming out of jail after serving 26 and had no clue about property management, budgets, about nothing, to be given that opportunity it was a blessing in disguise."

Nearly 25-years later David is still with us as our Permanent Housing Site Administrator at Saint Andrew's Court. As in the early days, his goal is to provide each individual with the resources they need to succeed with dignity

Saint Andrew's Court has earned a Fannie Mae Foundations Maxwell Award of Excellence in the category of Special Needs Awardee. When assessing awardees a Program Director for the Fannie Mae Foundations exclaimed, "Saint Andrew's Court is one of the most vitally important and impressive affordable housing projects in Chicago. It is also one of the most innovative supportive housing projects in the country as, in serving homeless ex-offenders, it houses an enormously underserved segment of the population."

# CHAPTER Integrated Care – Pow ered By Team Support

From renewing the body and nurturing the mind to reviving the spirit, our programs and services guide individuals through the necessary steps to transform their lives for a bright future.

We are fortunate to have assembled a dream team of professionals who provide a full range of supports to meet the physical/emotional care needs of our community members. Our intake, housing, case management and education professionals work with nurses and students from Rush University College of Nursing. Our residents are provided health assessments and care, prescribing services and referrals to other professionals if necessary.

A top priority of our program is mental health care. Adler University professionals work alongside those we support with

#### A Team of Supports

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Tenants

Provides: Health ass and care

 Referral services Prescribing services

HAS Provides: Substance use assessments

Mental health

Group therapy

Individual therapy

Saint Leonard's **Community Members** Residents Participants

RUSH UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF NURSING

group and individual therapy programs. These services help people struggling with PTSD or other concerns post-incarceration. Since the 1970's Healthcare

mental health assessments,

Alternative Systems (H.A.S.) has been serving people with roots in alcoholism treatment. Their organization has grown to include a comprehensive array of substance use counseling, treatment and supportive care services. They also offer programs in anger management, and domestic violence counseling. If a resident requires intervention, expert partners from H.A.S. provide another healing outlet.

Our care does not end when

program members complete their work here. The Saint Leonard's staff and external resource partners encourage continued dialog and long-term support to ensure success.

#### Self-Expression Through The Arts

Latrice is a proud alumna of Grace House and is delighted to work at Saint Leonard's as a Grace House employee and leader since 2007. Latrice took the opportunities to work on herself, both inside and out, and takes great joy passing what she learned to those new Grace House residents.



Latrice shares, "being at Grace House has given me a chance to try new amazing, things such as **Still Point Theater Collective**; which is a program of theater that comes and offers Grace House residents a chance to express ourselves in acting as well as writing poetry. A lot of what you do is truly finding out about yourself and giving yourself a fair chance."



#### **Back on My Feet**

Back on My Feet is a national nonprofit located in major cities across the county using the power of fitness, community and mentorship to heal and uplift those overcoming challenges of incarceration and homelessness. Back on My Feet Chicago has been a partner with Saint Leonard's Ministries as part of our holistic approach to healing our community members.

# back on my Call!

Meeting on campus twice a week before sunrise, this dedicated group of volunteers and residents head out for a run, jog or brisk walk. Sharing stories, fellowship and supporting each other to complete the morning's workout. The accomplishment of getting the run/walk done carries over to successes over the course of their day. We have had residents with decades of incarceration discover the power and impact fitness can have on one's physical and emotional life. We have had residents complete the Chicago Marathon! Back on My Feet is a part of our holistic approach and a great partner with the Saint Leonard's Community.



#### Volunteers Help Write the Next Chapters

We are fortunate to have the assistance of many volunteers who selflessly devote time and energy mentoring residents, leading life skills classes, assisting in the computer lab and performing office tasks. We thank you!

#### On the Road To Work

Once employment is secured, finding reliable, affordable transportation to the job is essential. Our partner Working Bikes of Chicago provides a bicycle, helmet, u-lock and a set of lights. Cycling not only provides a no-cost means of transportation, but also adds an exhilarating feeling of freedom. Cycling also provides health and environmental benefits.

#### **Chris Roach**

Chris' first encounter with Saint Leonard's was like something out of a dream. Chris shares, "it was a gloomy day, but it was like the sun was cast directly over this place. It was bright as the sun in here. And there were a few other things I noticed. There was a kid playing in the courtyard; there was a berry tree that had these blackberries, and the parakeets were in the tree. The whole ground was perfect. I knew there was something different happening here."



When asked what sets Saint Leonard's apart from other reentry organizations, Chris said, "We're giving people an opportunity. This place says, 'Come here. We'll feed you, we'll clothe you, find resources for you. We'll give you the time that you need to figure out which direction you're heading.'

Chris says the time he's spent here has taught him how to be a "better neighbor, a better friend, and a better employee." He's learned how to weigh the consequences in every decision that he makes - he always asks himself, "What price will I pay for my actions? Is it worth it? I know what I have to lose.'

Now, in his forties, Chris is a pillar of the Saint Leonard's community. He often shares his journey with people to encourage them it can be done. He says that he's "still a work in progress," but he makes sure to keep it "100% real" with the other residents to remind them he's no different than they are. He is human and he struggles too, but one thing he keeps in mind is that he has to "live for the day."

Chris shares what works for him in overcoming his struggles with the other residents. He does this in the spirit of passing on what he's learned and "paying it forward." Chris says that one of the most formative things he learned in his life was "in order to keep what you have, you have to be willing to give it away. Chris does that daily with residents as it was done for him.







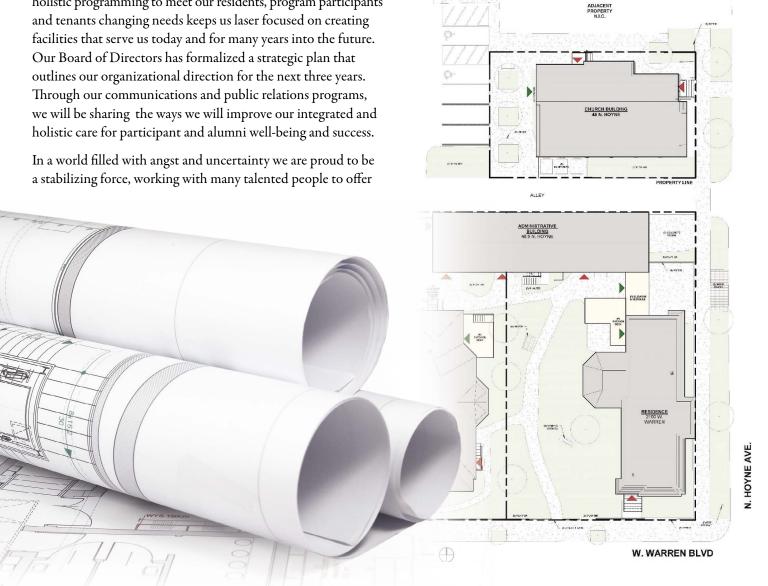
# CHAPTER THREE Building a Brighter Future in Chicago

As the need for transitional housing and reentry programs continues to rise, we will begin to make substantive progress on our century old buildings in need of modernization to better serve those transitioning from the carceral system. Our overarching goal continues to be providing a safe, supportive and dignified place to live.

The work to modernize our aging buildings is underway, with a priority on our transitional housing for the reentry community. To date we have secured over \$1.4 million in public funding and continue to explore additional funding opportunities for building and programming improvements.

Remaining true to our mission of providing comprehensive, holistic programming to meet our residents, program participants hope and a bright future to those we serve. The impact of this work will reduce the extreme cost of incarceration and work toward making the streets of greater Chicagoland safer. Though we are located a few blocks from the United Center, the Saint Leonard's Community extends well beyond our physical borders. Our Community extends to you and we are grateful to have you as a member.

There are a many exciting projects happening and on the horizon for Saint Leonard's Ministries. We are grateful to have so many wonderful benefactors willing to walk with us as we help our participants write the next chapters of their lives.



# **Financial Highlights** Fiscal Year 2022

#### **Statement of Financial Position**

As of June, 30 2022

**Total Assets** 

**Total Liabilities** 

**TOTAL NET ASSETS** 

#### Statement of Operating Activities

For the fiscal year ending June, 30 2022

#### Revenue

Government Grants and Contracts

**Fundraising Revenue** 

Other

**TOTAL REVENUE** 

#### **Expenses**

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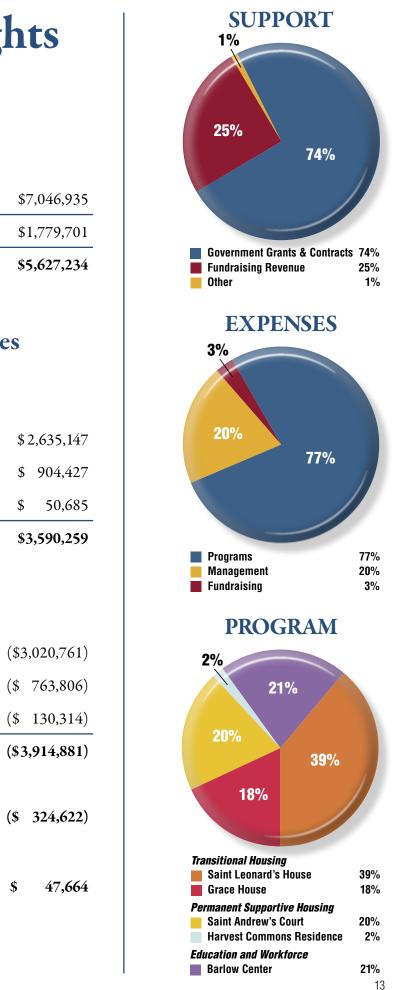
Management and General

Fundraising

**TOTAL EXPENSES** 

#### **NET OPERATING SURPLUS (LOSS)**

**NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES** 



#### SAINT LEONARD'S DONORS

#### \$50.000-\$99.999

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#### \$25,000-\$49,999

Anonymous Bank of America Charitable Foundation Sallie L. Gaines Lisa and Zachary Schrantz The Judy Family Foundation W.P. & H.B. White Foundation Mr. and Mrs. David B. Waud

#### \$10.000-\$24.999

Christ Church Winnetka David Dilcher Jackson National Life Insurance Company Kenilworth Union Church Julie & Bob Montgomery Nikki and Fred Stein The Helen Brach Foundation The Owens Foundation

#### \$5,000-\$9,999

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