YWCA MAHONING VALLEY

ANNUAL REPORT 2022



EQUAL. POWERFUL. UNSTOPPABLE.

"Cooperation is the thorough conviction that nobody gets there unless everybody gets there."

- Virginia Burden

At YWCA Mahoning Valley, we know that each role is just as important as the other. We rely on each other and the skills we bring to the table to work together. In 2022, we held our staff retreat in Mill Creek Park where we took part in teambuilding and wellness activities. It takes caring for ourselves to be well enough to care for our community. We also initiated Building Blocks for Change, an organizational race equity assessment for our staff. It was important for us to let the work we do be a reflection of our internal process toward equity. Therefore, since we are always working toward positive change, we must continue to discover what that looks like within our organization. What better way to demonstrate equity and empowerment than by our own example? This is why we added a Mission Officer position at the end of the year in order to increase racial justice initiatives and the work of our mission as a whole, internally and externally. Our goal in adding this role is to complete research and increase mission impact and planning for future programs that effectively work towards eliminating racism and empowering women. YWCA Board of Directors, staff and volunteers provide so much support for daily and long-term operations. We are able to reach our goals because of the work we do collectively. Together, we are equal, powerful and unstoppable.

LEAH MERRITT, PRESIDENT & CEO

RACIAL JUSTICE & CIVIL RIGHTS

136 people attended the Mahoning/Trumbull Domestic Violence Collaborative Seminar.

52 people participated in the 21-Day Stand Against Racism Challenge.

30 people attended the Stand Against Racism panel discussion.

53 people participated in Racial Justice Lunch & Learns.

58 people participated in the Ohio Nonviolence Week 5-Day Reading Challenge. The Stand Against Racism panel discussion in April focused on the four themes of YWCA's 21-Day Challenge. Speakers were Art Byrd, Genna Petrolla, Dr. Nicolette Powe and Heather Smith.

Intended Outcomes: Increased Knowledge and Participant Action



(L to R) Megan Lee, Michaela Write, Jessica Gibbs, Varada
Bhide, Joy Smith, Leah Merritt, Ashley Wilfong, Anupama
Pokharel and Sage Mason at Y's Women: Power of the Purse
sponsored by the Cafaro Foundation.

Intended Outcomes: Economic Empowerment for Women and Girls

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

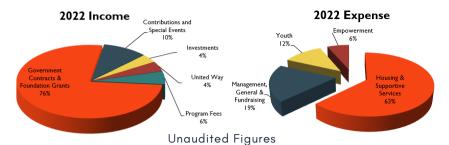
130 people attended Y's Women: Power of the Purse.

29 high school seniors were honored at the 28th Young Women with Bright Futures event where two scholarships of \$12,000 and \$8,000 were awarded. Each honoree received a \$500 award also.

149 works from 63 artists were showcased in the 40th Annual Women Artists: A Celebration! show in which selected artists combined won \$3,865 in awards.

10 works from 6 young women artists were showcased in the 17 Under 17 gallery where \$250 in awards were given.

FINANCE REPORT



Total Income: \$2,081,023 Total Expense: \$2,268,164

CHILDCARE & YOUTH **DEVELOPMENT**

33 middle school girls participated in Y-Girls STEAM Ahead Summer Camps where they obtained exposure to living wage careers in STEM fields.

18 children were enrolled in YWCA Discovery Place Early Learning Center which prepares them for kindergarten with a STEAM focus.



Y-Girls STEAM Ahead Summer Camps explored musical engineering by utilizing different materials to create their own turntable/record player. They also learned about the role art plays in everyday life.

Intended Outcomes: Children and youth receive quality education and build transferrable skills



IBEW Local 64 Wish Upon A Star donation



HOUSING WITH SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

23 individuals and families received Permanent Supportive Housing at WINGS.

32 individuals received affordable housing at Rayen Apartments.

26 individuals and families resided in the Barbara Wick Transitional Housing Program.

14 accessed affordable housing at Kensington Liberation Station.

181 remained housed with permanent supportive housing for families with disabilities.

182 pregnant or new moms with families remained stably housed with Emergency Rental Assistance.

59 individuals and organizations donated to Wish Upon A Star Program.

124 children and teens in YWCA Housing Programs received gifts and gift cards in the Wish Upon A Star Program.

Intended Outcomes: Those rent burdened and at risk of homelessness will obtain and maintain affordable, stable housing

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Michaela Write

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