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LETTER FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



DEAR CENTER FOR SUCCESS COMMUNITY,

The Center for Success Network is thrilled to be able to share the exciting events that led to our most successful year yet! We honor all of the students, families, mentors and staff that have worked with us on this journey of continued growth.

In this year alone, we have increased the number of students served by over 200, reaching 350 students and families with the Center for Success Literacy Program. The number of trained, dedicated mentors that met with students weekly doubled to 400. The relationships built during these sessions have enabled our students to make significant progress on the path to reading proficiency.

We partnered with the City of Detroit Parks and Recreation Department and Detroit Public Schools to provide 6 weeks of literacy interventions at the Summer Fun Center within Ronald Brown Academy. This program was supported by a successful partnership between CFS and Michigan State University, which placed Urban Immersion Fellows on site to provide daily literacy programs to the elementary students.

Center for Success is committed to ensuring all students have access to literacy instruction, even those outside of our program. As a member of 313 Reads!, the local chapter of the National Campaign for Grade Level Reading, we participate with the city wide collective impact network that is committed to addressing systemic inequities through the levers of Early Language and Literacy, Summer and Out-of-School Time Learning, and Early Childhood Enrollment and Attendance. The goal of this work is to ensure every student is reading proficiently at grade level by grade three. I am honored to serve as the co-chair of the Summer Learning Table.

None of this success would be possible without the support of our network. From devoted, caring staff who ensure our students have access to high quality programs, to volunteers who give of their time to beautify our spaces, funders who confidently support our programs, mentors who dedicate their time to weekly sessions, and students and families who attend regularly and work so hard, we are grateful to each of you! As our network and programs continue to grow in scope and depth, we remain steadfast in our mission to unite community and literacy to empower students in their journey of education.

With Gratitude,

Andrea Meyer

Andrea Meyer
Executive Director

About Us



MISSION

The mission of Center for Success Network is to unite community and literacy to empower students in their journey of education.

VISION

Our vision is to vitalize the community's affiliation with literacy, thereby inspiring families to relate with literacy as a fundamental necessity and encourage parents to generate themselves as primary stakeholders engaged in their children's success.

OUR HISTORY

2013

On March 21st, 2013, brothers DJ and Ryan Ikeler bid on and purchased an abandoned building in Pontiac that would become the very first Center for Success site.

350+

Active students across all the sites attending weekly Center for Success programs

400

Nearly 400 volunteers from all areas of SE Michigan that mentors our students each week

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Our collaboratively rich programs ignite a passion for education that inspires students to thrive academically. We provide safe spaces and intentional learning structures where students connect with dedicated mentors for guided, specified literacy interventions. We pave the way for community contribution towards children's lifelong love of learning through reading.



Photo: CFSN Pontiac Summer Camp 2019

Summer 2019 Field Trips: Detroit Zoo, Cranbrook Art Museum, Detroit Institute of Arts, Stoney Creek Metro Park Nature Center, Michigan Science Center, YMCA Swim Lessons, Waterford Oaks Waterpark, Spencer Beach and Park, Greenfield Village, and Mack Athletic Complex

School Year 2019–20 Field Trips: Rochester Cider Mill, Boll Family YMCA

A YEAR IN REVIEW

*** Fountas and Pinnell Running Records (F/P Data)

This assessment helps to determine a student's independent and instructional reading levels. The assessment is given in a one-on-one situation which also allows assessors to observe student reading behaviors, engage in comprehension conversations that go beyond retelling, and make informed decisions that connect the results of the assessment to the instruction we are developing for each student. The student's independent reading level is then used to help choose materials from the classroom library for the student to use during the mentor sessions.



Program Year 2019– 2020

Number of Students: 203

Summer 2019

Number of Students: 127



Program Year 2019– 2020

F/P Data Average Growth: 3.5

Summer 2019

F/P Data Average Growth: N/A



Program Year 2019– 2020

DIBELS Data Average Growth: 100%

Summer 2019

DIBELS Data Average Growth: 42%

*** DIBELS

The Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) are a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of early literacy skills from kindergarten through sixth grade. They are designed to be short (one minute) fluency measures used to regularly monitor the development of early literacy and early reading skills.

THANK YOU FUNDERS

100 Women Who Care
Facebook Community Fund
Grosse Pointe Old Devils
Huron Capitol

GM Community Foundation
Jamie and Denise Jacob Family Foundation
Julius and Cynthia Huebner Foundation
The Skillman Foundation - Brilliant Detroit Collaboration

CFSN QUOTES



I am happy for my son...He has improved in his reading [and is] more open to talk and participate in classes. He has progressed a lot. Thank you for doing these programs for our children.

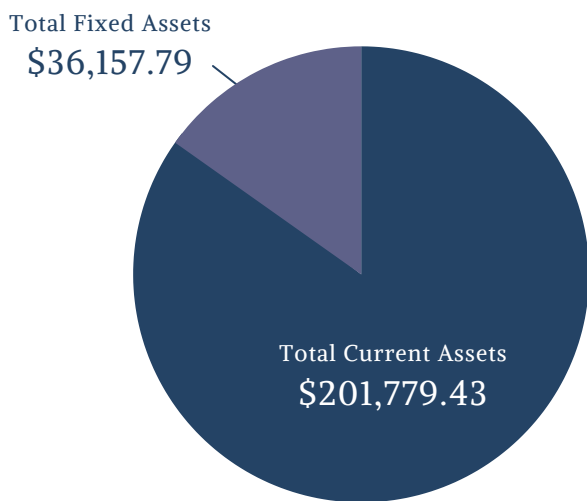
-CFSN Parent

My mentee has been improving his reading every time and has even jumped up his reading level.

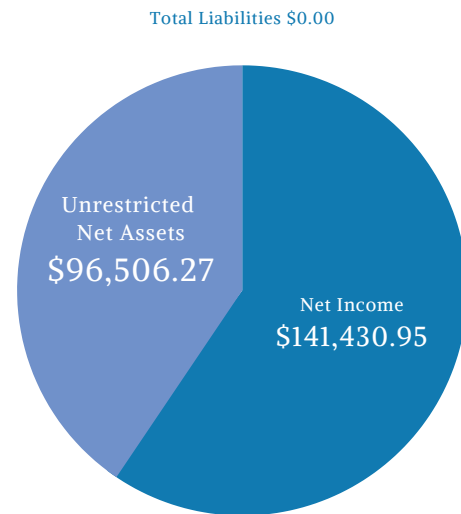
-CFSN Mentor

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Total Assets
as of December 31, 2019

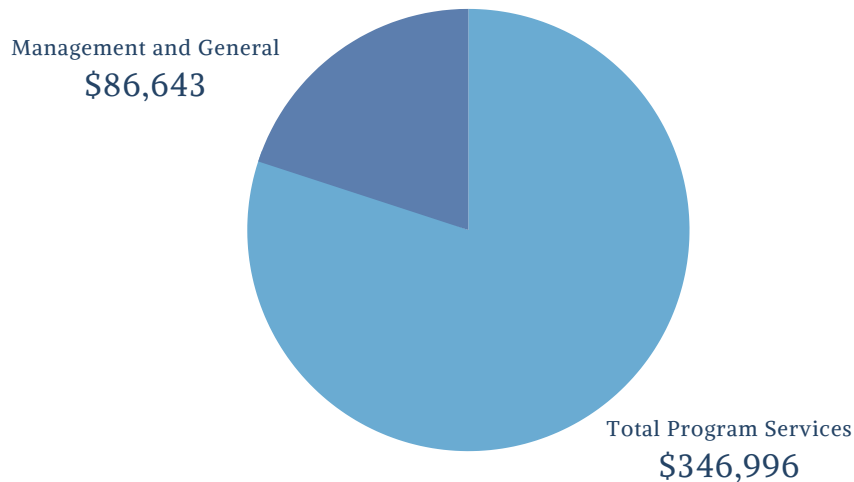


Total Liabilities & Equity
as of December 31, 2019



2019 STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

Total Functional Expenses: \$433,639



GET INVOLVED



Interested in becoming a CFSN Mentor?

Click [HERE](#) to complete the CFSN Literacy Mentoring Interest Form

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Join the growing number of people who have found value in contributing to the work of Center for Success Network!

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