

**COMMUNITY CENTER
OF NORTHERN WESTCHESTER**
Sharing the Essentials of Living

**ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2013 - 2014**



OUR MISSION

The Community Center of Northern Westchester seeks to improve the well-being and self-sufficiency of neighbors in need in Northern Westchester by providing food, clothing, programs, and other resources.

TO OUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, AND SUPPORTERS

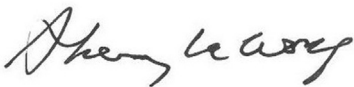
The Community Center of Northern Westchester makes a tangible difference every day in the lives of our neighbors. We take the edge off hunger and exposure with food and clothing. We offer practical tools for attaining self-sufficiency, including job counseling, classes on construction skills, computer literacy, and English language. For students, school supplies and educational scholarships are available.

We assist our neighbors in need in improving their quality of life with health screenings and clinics, nutrition workshops, summer camp scholarships, and more. We share special foods for the holidays as well as new pajamas for children, giving the kids the gift of warmth and comfort.

Visit us at the Center to watch our community at work, or visit us on the web at communitycenternw.org to learn more about all we do and how you can help.

We are pleased to present this annual report for fiscal year 2013-2014, with an overview of our program along with our financial results.

With warm regards,



Sherry Wolf
Executive Director



Christine Meyer
Board President



10 FACTS ABOUT THE COMMUNITY CENTER OF NORTHERN WESTCHESTER IN 2014

- Over 2,000 families came to us for help in 2014, twelve times the number that came in 1992.
- We help neighbors in need from 38 communities in Northern Westchester.
- Our food-insecure neighbors made 7,565 visits to our Food Pantry.
- 35% of those who received food from the Center's Food Pantry are children.
- Over 89 tons of clothes, shoes, and linens were donated; families made 7,626 visits to our Clothing Boutique.
- 734 children received new school supplies.
- 910 children received new sleepwear for the holidays.
- More than 1,000 adults attended classes and workshops to improve their practical skills.
- Volunteers gave over 50,000 hours of service.
- Over the Center's 22 years, families have made 104,000 visits to our Food Pantry.

We are deeply grateful for the Center's outstanding and selfless work with its full pantry, its educational initiatives and its dedicated volunteers there day in and day out, year after year ensuring that those in need do not go without. The Center represents all that is good in our community, the generous hearts, the selfless giving and the rock for so many. On behalf of the Town Board, I express our tremendous gratitude.

Chris Burdick, Bedford Town Supervisor

FOOD PANTRY

We provide Northern Westchester residents from 38 communities with monthly supplemental food ~ about 4 to 5 days worth of food per person ~ from our choice-style pantry. Food drives help stock the pantry shelves year-round. Clients choose the items they want, including frozen meat, eggs, and fresh produce throughout the year.



“ I come to the Center because it is so helpful. I get food, clothes, and shoes. I only have work on weekends, so this food helps me get through the week. I am grateful for the help. People at the Center are always nice and courteous to me.” ~ VW

CLOTHING BANK

Our very generous local community donated gently used seasonal clothes, shoes, and linens to our clothing bank, where families in need select from these items at no charge.



SEASONAL AND SPECIAL DRIVES

We spearhead drives to collect special items for families of limited means: prom and graduation attire for local students; school supplies and books to fill children's backpacks; special holiday foods for Thanksgiving and the winter holidays, and new sleepwear for children for the December holidays.



ADDITIONAL SERVICES FOR CLIENTS

We offer health screenings and flu shots, access to breast cancer screenings, eye exams and eyeglasses, donated furniture, and, as available, scholarships for higher education and summer camp. All our services are free.



WORKING TOWARDS SELF-SUFFICIENCY

The Center offers a range of classes and workshops designed to help individuals improve their skills, better manage limited resources, and attain self-sufficiency. Our programs include:

- Career and job counseling
- Construction skills program
- English language instruction
- Advanced English course
- Computer training
- Nutrition workshops and classes
- Immigration updates
- Assistance with
 - SNAP application (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)
 - Tax preparation
 - GED preparation
 - Citizenship exam preparation
 - Higher education application process



Basic Construction Skills class

“Thank you to the Community Center and the teacher having the patience to teach us all about the basics of construction and many more things.” ~ OC

“This is an excellent opportunity to learn what is needed in our daily work.” ~ JN



Lesson in electrical wiring

CLASSES AND COUNSELING



Job counseling

“At the Center I got help applying for jobs online and writing my resume. I could not have done this by myself.” ~ MG

“I come to the Community Center to learn English because I will get a better job. This place is so helpful and the classes are good. I like the teachers. They make it interesting for the students.” ~ MJ



Advanced English Class



English language class

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WESTCHESTER, CHAPPAQUA**

**TEMPLE SHAARAY TEFILA,
BEDFORD CORNERS**

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF
MOUNT KISCO**

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PURDYS

VOLUNTEERS: THE LIFEBLOOD OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER

The spirit of volunteerism and caring that runs deeply through our community finds a welcome home at the Center. Without the energy, time, skills and commitment of hundreds of dedicated volunteers, the Center simply could not do what it does. Our volunteers range in age from teenagers through retirees.



“I have lived in Katonah for 25 years and being able to help neighbors in need is so meaningful and satisfying.” ~ NS



FINANCIALS

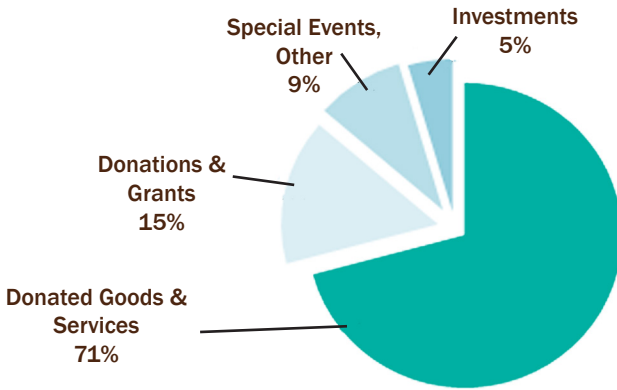
Note: Effective July 1, 2013, our reporting period changed from calendar year to fiscal year (July 1 - June 30).

| | FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2014 | FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012 |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| INCOME | | |
| Donated Goods & Services | \$ 1,253,563 | \$ 1,244,933 |
| Donations and Grants | \$ 273,995 | \$ 258,452 |
| Special Events, Other | \$ 161,098 | \$ 156,820 |
| Investments | \$ 80,870 | \$ 68,764 |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$ 1,769,526 | \$ 1,728,969 |
| EXPENSES | | |
| Food & Clothing Services | \$ 1,448,514 | \$ 1,445,642 |
| Educational Classes | \$ 79,858 | \$ 82,067 |
| School Supplies | \$ 19,848 | \$ 8,273 |
| Management and General | \$ 67,124 | \$ 86,037 |
| Fund-raising | \$ 75,202 | \$ 88,700 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$ 1,690,546 | \$ 1,710,719 |
| NON-OPERATING ACTIVITIES (depreciation) | \$ 22,434 | \$ 30,028 |
| CHANGE IN NET ASSETS | \$ 56,546 | \$ (11,778) |
| BALANCE SHEET | | |
| Total Assets | \$ 1,222,365 | \$ 1,243,296 |
| Liabilities | \$ 32,502 | \$ 9,883 |
| Net Assets | \$ 1,189,863 | \$ 1,233,413 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS | \$ 1,222,365 | \$ 1,243,296 |

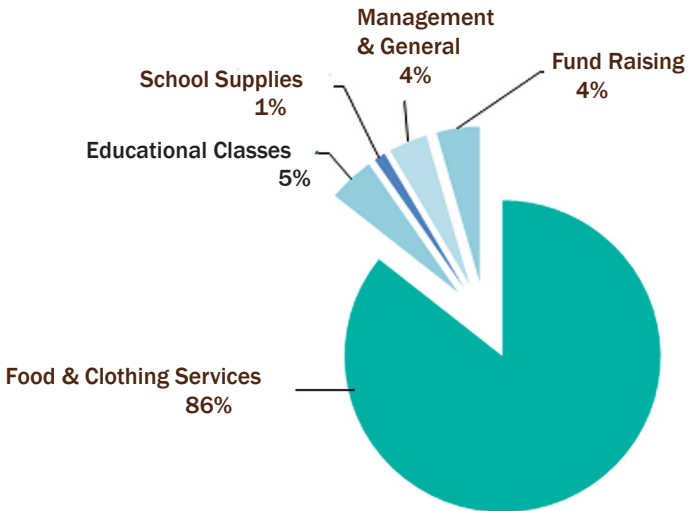
Board designated and restricted reserve balances as of 6/30/14: \$ 688,418.
Unrestricted fund balance: \$ 501,445.

Monetary donations, from sources including individuals, foundations, and our Community Partners, provide the financial support to help our neighbors in need.

INCOME 2013 - 2014



EXPENSES 2013 - 2014



92% of our expenses go directly to programs and services for our neighbors in need.

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