

2017 ANNUAL REPORT



Kingsbridge
Heights
Community
Center



LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Greetings,

Kingsbridge Heights Community Center has magic!

That's what our kids say, and our success is entirely due to our highly capable staff, tireless board of directors, steadfast funders, representatives and exciting partnerships. With this support and a shared vision, we have strengthened KHCC's position in the Bronx community to better serve our children and families with continued excellence. From cradle to career, participants are provided with a safe, secure space that enables them to thrive and prepare for a brighter future. We are so proud of our KHCC family!

In 2017, we celebrated KHCC as a 'Home Away from Home' to the Bronx's most vulnerable populations. Despite 74% of our children and families living below the poverty line and 86% of participants being eligible for free or reduced lunch, 90% of our young women and men were accepted into college. In this group, 75% are the first in their families to go to college. Three hundred adults sought to improve their English writing and reading comprehension to better adapt to life in the U.S., provide for their families, and access better opportunities. The Bronx has the highest child victimization rate in the City. Our Early Childhood Program provided health and mental health screenings for our three and four year old children and their families to mitigate abuse. Our Changing Futures Program staff served more than 200 child abuse survivors and their families. Our Special Needs program built bridges by developing youth through mentoring and literacy programming. Teens mentor grade schoolers and build leadership skills in themselves and their peers.

KHCC programs emphasize that integration makes us stronger, and our ability to connect across differences makes our lives richer and our resilience inevitable. We celebrate our children and families, our staff and wider community. With your continued support, we also commit to accomplishing greater feats in serving the Bronx. We ask you to give what you can and contribute your skills to our Junior, Advisory or Executive Boards.

Join us in this rewarding and timely work to positively impact the future of the Bronx.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'M Della'.

Margaret Della

KHCC AT A GLANCE

ABOUT KHCC

For more than 43 years, Kingsbridge Heights Community Center (KHCC) has provided resources to empower Bronx residents from cradle to career. Our services advance education and well-being for a vibrant community. We achieve this in an environment that fosters academic milestones, literacy, mental health support, nutrition, technology, and the arts.

OUR PARTICIPANTS

87%

OF FUNDS RAISED GO TO KHCC'S COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

74%

PARTICIPANTS CURRENTLY LIVING BELOW THE POVERTY LINE

4,500

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND ADULTS SERVED IN 2017

5,330

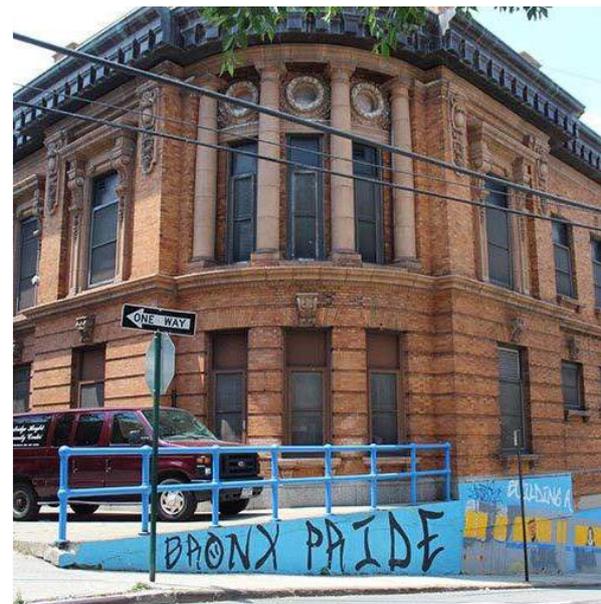
POUNDS OF FOOD GIVEN THROUGH FOOD PANTRY

2,000

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED

200+

NUMBER OF DEDICATED KHCC VOLUNTEERS



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OVERVIEW OF SERVICES

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In 2017, we celebrated our 43rd birthday serving Bronx families with education, support and counseling services. We focused on operations, investing in our staff and building our sustainability in our existing programs - Early Childhood, Youth, and Adult & Family Services.

EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES

- We served over 500 children under 5 years old and their families, 80% living below poverty line providing comprehensive early care and learning in several different program options including: Early Head Start, Early Learn NY (ELNY) and PreK for All.
- ECS provides education, health, mental health, and special education outreach services under our comprehensive family services model.
- EHS provides services for pregnant mothers, family child care and home visiting for children and their families up to age 3. (135 families)
- ELNY has family childcare for children ages 3 months to 3 years old and center based preschool for children aged 3 and 4. (338 families)
- PreK for all is center based preschool for children aged 4. (38 families)



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YOUTH PROGRAMS

- We served more than 700 students during the summer of 2016 and the 2016-2017 school year through our **summer camps, after school, special needs, tween, teen and college directions programs**.
- This includes 248 teens (182 high school age teens, and 66 middle school tweens) 107 middle school students at Tech International, 110 high school students at Bronx Theatre High School, 63 special needs youth and adults in our center based **Respite** programs, 55 kids in our school age after school program, and 130 "campers" (k-8th) across Center and school based locations.
- In 2017, 85% of our **College Directions** Program seniors were accepted and matriculated into college; 75% of them are first in their family to go to college
- 86% of our after school children were eligible for free or reduced lunch.
- 70% of our 2017 special needs participants came to KHCC seven days a week during the school year, despite their Autism diagnosis and learning challenges.
- In 2017, two of our youth program participants placed 2nd and 4th in the Community Board 8 Youth Committee Poetry Slam.
- Two tweens were selected to read their essays about "What after school means to me" at the PASEsetter annual awards dinner and ceremony at Cipriani.
- One of our high school participants won first place in DYCD's Recipe Rescue cooking competition hosted at the Institute for Culinary Education.
- A Tech International SONYC participant was named a Yankee Youth Leader by Community Board 8.

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ADULT AND FAMILY SERVICES

Changing Futures Program (long-term abuse treatment and therapy) served more than 1,000 individuals and 200 families in 2016. This Program provided nearly 2,000 mental health services through long-term therapy for survivors of domestic and child sexual abuse.

We also provided parenting and English for Speakers of Other Languages (**ESOL**) classes to more than 300 parents and adults



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NUTRITION AND FOOD ACCESS

- **Food Pantry:** KHCC's emerging food pantry distributed over 5,300 pounds of food (equivalent of 4,441 meals) to over 200 impoverished families in 2017.
- **Feeding Program:** Each day, approximately 400 low-income children and youth receive freshly prepared, healthy meals in our early childhood and afterschool programs. For some of these children, these meals are the only food they will eat all day.
- **Nutrition Education and Community Garden:** Over 170 participants in KHCC programs—from early childhood to seniors—spend time in our community garden each week, witnessing and participating in the seed to plate process and enjoying the refuge of a green space. Over 120 pounds of food produced from our garden each year is used to support nutrition education program.
- **New Park:** In June 2017, with a generous donation from a corporate sponsor and a partnership with New York Restoration Project, we converted a parking lot to a park. This has given the community a new green space that is safe, has disability access, and a private area for our sexual abuse and domestic violence counseling services. This extension to our community garden will also promote more physical activity and provide outdoor learning spaces for our participants and the larger community, who will have access during non-program hours.

PEOPLE ARE TALKING ABOUT KHCC

"The center helped me with noticing that everything is ok, and that no matter what happens, everyone loves me and I am supported."

- Diamond Brown, Youth Leadership Council and After school program participant

"Kingsbridge Heights Community Center has a wonderful Special Needs program that provides amazing help and activities that have allowed my daughter and its other participants to grow, socially mature, and develop character"

- Melissa Barber, parent of Special Needs participant

"All four teachers that I work with are incredibly emotionally responsive. You can tell they all care about the students in their classrooms, and they take into account the strong environmental factors that often spill over into the classroom. "

— Lauren Goettel, DOE Pre-K Social Worker



"WHAT KHCC DOES TO SUPPORT THEIR COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY FOR CHILD SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE, IS CLOSE TO MY HEART AND ENABLES PEOPLE TO HEAL AND MOVE FORWARD IN THEIR LIVES."

— Sunny Hostin,
co-host on ABC's The View and 2016 Bernice Stern
Awardee for Outstanding Community Service



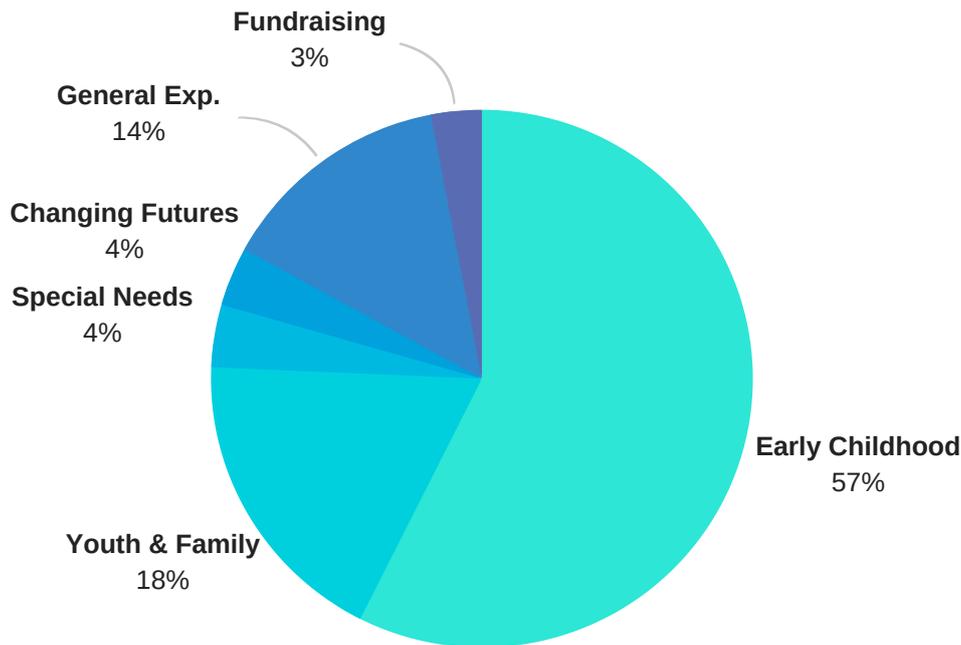
"WORKING WITH KHCC IS BETTER THAN GETTING ANY GRAMMY OR AMERICAN MUSIC AWARD."

- Darryl "DMC" McDaniels,
member of legendary rap group
Run DMC and 2017 Bernice Stern
Awardee for Outstanding
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FISCAL REVIEW FOR 2017

INCOME AND EXPENSES

THE FOLLOWING IS AN OVERVIEW OF KHCC'S INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017:



Early Childhood	\$ 5,467,776
AfterSchool, Middle School, Teens, College Directions, Adult/ESL (Youth and Family)	\$ 1,838,781
Special Needs	\$ 380,017
Changing Futures	\$ 360,497
Management & General Expenses	\$ 1,415,641
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 301,551
Total Expenses	\$ 10,521,685
Change in Net Assets	\$ (590,239)
Net Asset Balance	\$ 44,042

TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUE **\$ 9,871,957**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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*Note: Board of Directors as of June 2017**

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