HOPE

YEARS

Here to stay

ANNUAL REPORT 2012

Community

"The antidote to despair is hope and community."

—Char Madigan, founder

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Kids on Hope's playground, 2012.

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Celebrating a Milestone

Dear Friend,

Thirty-five years later, I am grateful and amazed at what has come to be since 1977 when we started St. Joseph's House. In the beginning, our vision was very small: a 30-day shelter. We were an oasis of sorts for a month, a time to rest up, figure out what's next. The need was so great that thousands stayed there. We ran on donations of money, food, volunteers. Really, the guests helped run the place. In the midst of crushing adversity, they created community.

Early on, we knew people needed more than temporary shelter. They needed their own permanent, safe and affordable place, where they could raise their kids and be part of a strong community. A new vision emerged. I believe the great miracle is that just the right people came along at just the right time to evolve us into the big vision you are supporting now. Mary Keefe, Hope's director, all the staff and hundreds more who support us in so many ways are evidence of that.

I'm so grateful to be able to stay here, way past my "prime" because I passionately love and believe in what is happening. Where there was so much pain and despair, really, now hundreds of adults and kids live in safe, healthy buildings. But there's more. Some people assume the solution to inner city problems is to push inner city people out. At Hope we know that people in the community are the solution, not the problem. They are the abundance hidden in plain sight.

Yes, since 1977 we have grown beyond our imaginings. I am so proud of what has come to be and what will come to be. You, who have been with us since the beginning and those who are here now. Together, we keep dreaming and working.

We are all why Hope is here to stay. Rooted and grounded in hope and love. I bow down, cry thanks.

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We are so grateful that Char Madigan, Hope's Founder (along with Rita Steinhagen), has stayed with us all these years. She calls herself our cheerleader. She is our inspiration.

All photos are by Bruce Silcox unless noted otherwise.

People Are the Solution

e have learned and accomplished a great deal in 35 years. Housing is an important part of our work but alone is not enough to transform a neighborhood. Community change begins with building trust and relationships, connecting to people around their interests, and working together in a series of steps that all add up to a much bigger impact.

What Matters Most to People in the Community?

- People want to be a part of making this community strong and safe for their families and for themselves.
- Young people want real relationships with adults. They want to learn about leadership.
- Many parents want to improve their own level of education so they can provide better for their families and help their children succeed.
- People want to know how they can have power, and how to be part of shaping the future.



Youth from the leadership program leave for a oneweek overnight camp in Amery, Wisconsin.



A familiy at Hope in their home, a restored 1920s five-plex.



Land for the final South Quarter* building across from Hope's Wellstone building will include 90-mixed income units and a 4,800 square foot community garden; constructions begins 2013.

* Partnership with Aeon.

A COMMUNITY LEADER IN ACTION

Omari grew up in Detroit with his two brothers and a sister. They moved often from one housing project to another. He struggled to stay in school. As a single parent, his mother worked a lot. Omari remembers there were few people who could look out for him.

His life began to change when he moved to Minneapolis. Omari became a student at Summit Academy and learned carpentry, a trade that he says "changed his life." During the day he went to classes. At night he slept in shelters. It was still a hard time in his life.

Omari found a studio apartment at Hope, reserved for formerly homeless adults. He says, "Working, living in a warm, dry place was the first time in my life I began to feel good about myself. And that feeling made me want to give back."

Six years ago, Omari became a youth mentor at Hope and he was part of a resident safety group. He recalls, "Hope surrounded me with people who encouraged me, and for the first time, I had mentors." He lived at Hope for two years.

Today, Omari lives with his family in North Minneapolis. He has his own carpentry business. Last year he volunteered with neighborhood youth and community members to build a community growing space at Hope and completed the Permaculture Research Institute's nine-month Urban Farming Certification program. Inspired by the benefits of healthy eating, in 2012, Omari began a Community Outreach and Planning internship to support Hope's year-round food and leadership work.

"I stay involved," Omari says. "Because Hope is an organization that gave me hope...hope for a better future."

2012—A Year in Review:



"Hope is giving us the tools we need to keep this neighborhood safe. They are pushing day after day."

> – Yusuuf Mohamed, owner of Twin Cities Child Care Center

WHERE THERE WAS DEVASTATION,

Quality, well-designed homes, community spaces and neighborhood businesses

We act as stewards for Hope's physical spaces.

- 173 Hope rentals are home to 475 children, youth, and adults (85 percent affordable).
- 50 apartments for low-income adults and families include renovated early-20th century homes, new duplexes and row homes.
- Three multipurpose, four-story South Quarter buildings* reclaim the corners of the Franklin and Portland intersection. The buildings include 126 rental units, Hope's headquarters and community center, Midwest Market, and Twin Cities Child Care Center (full enrollment with 120 children and 37 jobs).
- South Quarter Phase IV received full tax credit allocation from the city of Minneapolis. The final phase will add 90 new mixed income units and 4,800 square feet of community garden space; construction begins 2013.
- Hope tenants and participants reflect the neighborhood including African American, Euro-American, Native American, and African and Latino immigrants. The median income for tenant families (three people or larger) is \$19,000. Over half of our tenants have incomes below the federal poverty level.

Building layers of strong community and leadership for the future.

We work with people across the community—over 1,000 in 2012.

Youth learn about themselves, gain skills, and make new friendships. Parents get involved.

- Five- to twelve-week programs keep what's most important to children and youth at the center: Young children learned reading and writing is fun in a one-onone literacy program (41 U of M students volunteered as mentors), youth prepared for a first-time, one-week overnight camp experience with their peers in a fiveweek leadership program, and teens prepared for the City of Minneapolis' Step Up summer job program.
- Listening dialogues with parents led to nutrition and computer workshops.

Art-making and community dialogue

 Adolescent girls in the Girl's Empowerment program developed healthy self-images and expressed their ideas about culture and community as they grew strong together.

* The South Quarter is a development partnership wth Aeon.

Building a Stronger Community



A HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOOD IS GROWING.



- Twenty-five neighborhood youth and six young adult artists created the mural, "Art Saves Lives," and filmed the hands-on process from planning and negotiating for wall space with businesses to the 6-week art-making process and community unveiling. Mural partners: Waite House, American Indian Center, Little Earth and Main Street Project.
- New in 2012, an intercultural community dialogue project called "Intersections" brought people together in gatherings infused by food, music, and spoken word.

Adult opportunities

- Hope's eight-month civic engagement and leadership training called SPEAC prepared people to engage more deeply in their community. The sixth cohort began in 2012. (80 percent of the graduates stay involved in SPEAC.)
- Two 12-week micro-entrepreneur training sessions, facilitated by Neighborhood Development Center at Hope, connected people to business tools and supportive networks.
- A seven-week Personal Empowerment Training engaged very low-income adults in an interactive emotional intelligence training designed by Twin Cities Rise! (Two cohorts graduated in 2012).
- Through a partnership with AccountAbility Minnesota, 652 people received free tax preparation services and received \$1,100,000 in tax refunds.

Healthy Community

- Over 100 people participated in Hope's year-round calendar of healthy food and growing activities in 2012 with partner Land Stewardship Project.
- Over 70 low-income people had access to bikes through Hope's partnerships with Cycles for Change and Nice Ride, and 72 community members and four organizations participated in a listening project focused on bike access and use in this neighborhood.

Reaching out: Partnerships

 Over 35 partnerships, networks, and connections expanded Hope's capacity: organizations, universities and colleges, businesses, top police officials, politicians, and decision makers in local institutions.

Awards

- The National MetLife Foundation Community Police Partnership Award for long-term strategy and work around combining community-building and crimeprevention strategies to build a safer neighborhood.
- Selected by the Starbucks Foundation as one of two Minnesota organizations to participate in a statewide vote for funding based on a "holistic approach to building sustainable, whole-community impact on complex issues or problems by using a combination of strategies." (Hope won the top award!)
- Recognized for outstanding service learning partnership with the University of Minnesota, Presidents' Community Partner Award.

Here to Stay

Real Estate Development and Community Spaces

Engaging Community Lasting neighborhood change

It has to be about place and people

Buildings only last when community is strong. Hope is facilitating and providing space for community members to learn, participate, lead, and network. Our work has become a catalyst for individuals to be leaders. Partnerships with dozens of organizations spread the impact. Everything we do fights isolation and builds ties among diverse groups.

It has to work: strategy and scale

Together, we are changing the face of a formerly devastated neighborhood. We developed the vision, built the partnerships, and secured resources to create new, quality housing, commercial and community space.

It has to last: the long-term view

Meaningful change takes time. All our strategies are built with this in mind. 35 years ago we made a promise to this neighborhood: to take a stand and work with community residents to reclaim the neighborhood. We honor our pledge to stay. "Lasting change occurs when people believe it can happen and when they are a part of it."

> —Patricia Mullen, Hope Board Member since 1994

TOGETHER

We have to work together to make the future for everybody.

1371, June

Beautiful four-story buildings brought life back to a onceabandoned intersection a mile from downtown Minneapolis. Pictured here: The 49-unit mixed-income Wellstone building, which features a solar water heater

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INTERNS

Hope recognizes the deep commitment of talented young people who joined our staff this year and the partnerships that connected us to them.

Some of the most special volunteers come to us through the federal Americorps and VISTA programs. They get paid a small living stipend to work full time in the community for a year. In 2012, Sarah Halvorson-Fried (pictured above) began an 11-month term of service at Hope as an AmeriCorps GreenCorps member.

We are grateful to University of Minnesota work study students Amina Ilmi and Aida Ibrahim, Organizing Apprenticeship Project intern Leroy Duncan, and University of Minnesota–Center of Urban and Regional Affairs Intern Renan Snowden.



STAFF

Front row (left to right): Char Madigan, June Bouye, Azeta Garthune, and Marcia Cartwright

Second row (left to right): Betsy Sohn, Bonita Ruiz, and Mary Keefe

Back row (left to right): Eliza Severson, Jackie Blakey, Chaka Mkali, Will Delaney, and Andrew Hopkins

Hope Community Financials



Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

SUPPORT AND REVENUE

Individuals Foundations, Corporations, and Congregations Restricted Government Grants—Properties In-Kind Contributions Rental Income Deferred Development Income Other Program Fees and Income	\$ 379,022 661,162 25,273 142,936 397,890 81,999 131,475
Total Support and Revenue	1,819,757
EXPENSES	
Personnel Costs	682,990
Contracted Services	32,484
Professional Fees	91,703
Professional Development	19,010
General Supplies	21,893
Communications	10,792
Equipment	6,213
Insurance	29,710
Program—Other Costs	180,200
Properties Costs	292,635
Space Rental Expense	30,480
Loans Interest	118,002
Depreciation and Amortization	241,250

Total Expenses	1,757,362
Change in Net Assets	\$ 62,395

2012 Support and Revenue Breakdown

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2012

ASSETS

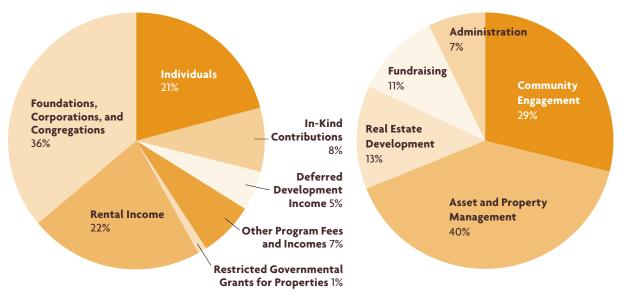
Cash	\$ 520,584
Grants and Other Receivables	10,232
Due from Related Entities	108,380
Prepaid Expenses	72,813
Investments	455,415
Notes Receivable	2,753,385
Property and Equipment, Net	3,893,339
Construction in Progress	1,621,832
Other Assets	333,076
Total Assets	\$9,769,056

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS AND EQUITY

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Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 9,769,056
Total Net Assets and Equity	6,084,501
Permanently Restricted	70,000
Temporarily Restricted	23,016
Unrestricted	5,991,485
Net Assets and Equity	
Total Liabilities	3,684,555
Long-Term Debt	3,468,131
Deposits Held for Others	67,269
Accrued Liabilities	52,579
Accounts Payable	52,197
Notes Payable	\$ 44,379

2012 Expense Breakdown



Note: Restricted funding listed above in Support and Revenue is used strictly for Hope's real estate development activities and is not available for general operating and program-related costs.

Volunteers and In-Kind Donations

A dedicated team of Hope staff and over 100 annual volunteers are part of a continuum of opportunities that keep people engaged, inspired and rooted in community. We honor the contributions and impact Hope's volunteers have had on our success this year. In 2012, the volunteers' work equaled \$142,936 in monetary value. With their help, our mission continues to unfold.

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In the past year Hope has received **generous donations** of goods and services that support our organization. In Kind donations vary from plants and flowers to beautify our neighborhood, to professional services to support our staff. One thing that doesn't vary is how much we appreciate them.

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Hope is here to stay. With deepest gratitude we thank the donors here for believing in possibility. Because of you, a neighborhood once in despair is renewing and a strong community is growing. We honor you—our friends and partners.

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In the past year Hope has received many gifts given in honor of birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, graduations, and simply for someone's amazing presence in the world.

Donors have also made gifts to Hope in memory of the people they have loved and have held an important place in their lives. We thank all of you who gave.

We honor and remember you who are named here, and we ask your blessing on our little patch of Hope.

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Remembering Bobby Hicks

We remember Bobby Hicks, a long-time tenant of Hope and a strong member of our community, who passed away in 2012. At Hope, he was a leader and a "community connector", often knocking on neighbors' doors to make sure they knew about a harvest potluck celebration or a group bike ride. Bobby had a wonderful sense of humor and a deep commitment to this community. We miss him dearly.













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Mission

Hope Community is a catalyst for change, growth and safety. We are building a sustainable neighborhood model through community organization, active education, leadership and affordable housing development.

Vision

Hope Community will be a nationally recognized model for urban community transformation in the areas of community engagement, neighborhood redevelopment and affordable housing. The vision will be accomplished by partnering with other agencies, organizations and individuals:

- to provide opportunities for youth and adults to build personal and collective power through community-based learning, leadership training, organizing and community building.
- to revitalize communities where current residents are not displaced, but are primary partners in building diverse, mixed-income neighborhoods.
- to identify, develop and redevelop affordable housing and related public spaces that promote and nurture community relationships.

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