



CENTRAL OUTREACH & ADVOCACY CENTER

Opening Doors Out of Homelessness

Our Mission to work in partnership with individuals and families to assist and advocate with them to avoid or overcome homelessness is accomplished through our core programs: supportive services, job readiness, and public policy advocacy.



In 2015, through the faithful dedication and work of Central OAC's staff and 4,717 volunteer hours, 18,273 services were provided to 5,616 unduplicated guests.



2015 Annual Report

Fiscal year ending December 31, 2015.

Audited financials will be available in April 2016.

Community Involvement

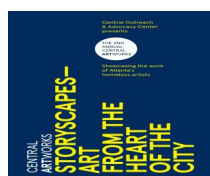
Central OAC has a story to tell and in 2015 we committed to being out in the community as much as possible to tell our story. We found ourselves in a variety of venues. We were grateful for the opportunities to talk about how we are opening doors out of homelessness.

- 11 Alive Community Service Awards
- Horizon Theatre
- Hello Gorgeous Boutique & Café
- Atlanta Continuum of Care
- Central Presbyterian Church's Women's Studies
- Chamblee Harvest Festival
- Spelman College Empowerment Resource Fair
- Project Homeless Connect
- Salvation Army Provider Fair
- Phish Concert with Waterwheel
- OAC Guest's ArtWork at WonderRoot
- Central Presbyterian Church's Ministry Fair
- Central ArtWorks at Atlanta City Hall



Fundraisers

We had two successful events, raising a combined total of \$25,509 and acquiring several new Central OAC supporters!



Central ArtWorks
Fuse Gallery
180 in Attendance



Cheers for Change
Monday
Night Brewery
207 in Attendance

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Services

We provided the following services:

- 1,112 Birth Certificates
- 1,591 State IDs
- 835 Assists with Social Security Number
- 1,144 Homeless Verification Letters
- 772 Shelter Referrals
- 457 Reading Glasses
- 1,245 Medical Referrals

Through partnerships with other agencies we assisted with:

- 721 Food Stamp Applications
- 133 Social Security Disability Insurance Applications
- 171 Eye Exams/ Prescription Glasses
- 28,895 Pounds of Food for 1,942 Individuals

Through the Main Frame Job Readiness Program:

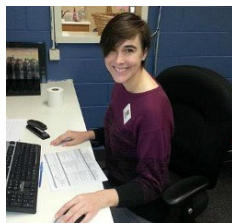
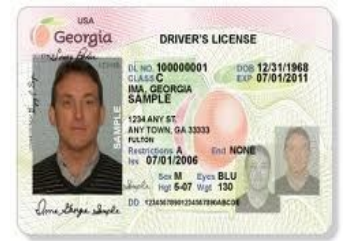
- 2,046 Job Applications Submitted
- 43 Graduates
- 28 Found Employment
- 65% Employment Rate

Main Frame Graduate Quote:

"If you are serious about finding a job, try the Main Frame. It helps!"

Program Highlights

- Extended birth certificate services to both homeless and near homeless guests and expanded the reasons for which we would provide documentation to include housing, employment, benefits applications, and school.
- Began tracking the primary reasons guests stated they needed a birth certificate and/or state ID and followed up with guests to see if the documentation enabled them to achieve these goals.
- Established written policies to add a housing component to the Main Frame Job Readiness Program and signed a Memorandum of Understanding with CaringWorks, Inc. to partner on this endeavor.
- Established an Advocacy Task Force to work with our Advocate, Elizabeth Appley, on setting our annual legislative agenda.
- Held our first Advocacy Training and Day at the Capitol events to mobilize others in advocating for policy changes that either directly or indirectly affect our guests.



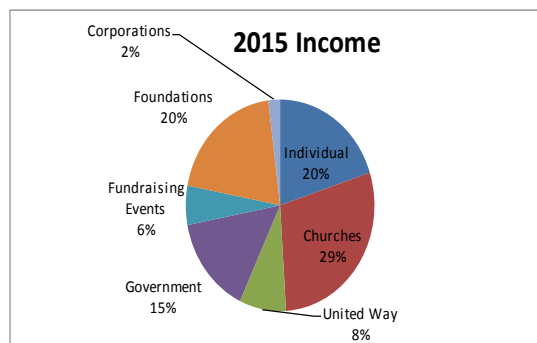
Staff Additions

Hannah Landgraf ... Program Assistant

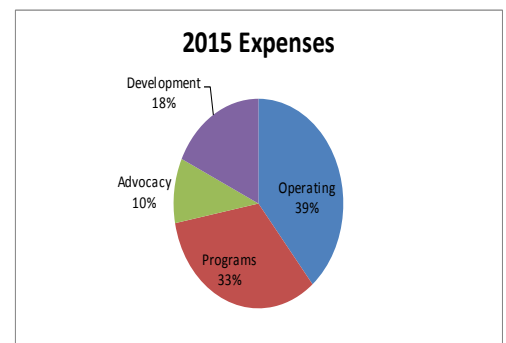
Lashawnda Carter ... Development Director



Statement of Financial Position



Total Unaudited Income \$500,761



Total Unaudited Expenses \$400,001

Through partnerships, attention to our spending, and the continued faithful support of our donors, we maintained a positive cash flow throughout 2015 and ended the year in a positive net income position. We begin 2016 with enough in reserve to begin our planned giving program, increase services to our guests, and maintain a liquid cash reserve of three months' expenses. Audited financials will be available in April 2016.