















Journey
House
Annual
Report

2018 has been a year of tremendous growth for Journey House as we continue to support transformation within the Clarke Square Neighborhood and beyond. Thanks to your support through generous donations, sharing our story, volunteering at our events, and attending our programming we have been Growing Together through enhanced programming, strengthened partnerships, and visionary plans for the future.

In September, we celebrated the ribbon cutting and Grand Opening of the Felix Mantilla High School Field at Baran Park. In partnership with Major League Baseball, Brewers, Cal Ripken Foundation, Scotts, Majerus Foundation, Zilber Family Foundation and host of other partners, we opened a Major League Baseball quality high school field. The high school field is only the beginning and will soon by joined by three little league fields and an Urban Academy Center, which will serve as a second home for our rapidly expanding Journey House family.

This year Journey House was proud to be chosen by BelAir Cantina as the Powered By Taco community partner! We worked closely with BelAir's executive chef to develop a delicious taco that captured the essence of our community and culture. All the proceeds from the Powered By Taco partnership directly supported our core programming. We hope you had the chance to sample one while also championing Journey House!

It seems like every year we celebrate record involvement in our family engagement events. Journey House is a staple within the community and our families know the caliber of programming and events to expect. This year was no different, with 1,053 ghouls and goblins at our Halloween Spooktacular and 1,543 attendees at our Winter Wonderland. Our partnership with Young Milwaukee continues to grow and this year they donated almost 4,000 toys through their Annual Gala. This powerful partnership helps us put more smiles on children's faces every holiday season! Additionally, we were excited to add another core family event, a Spring Egg Hunt. Through a wonderful partnership with Girl Scout Troop #8605, our families celebrated the beautiful spring weather with crafts, games, and an egg hunt with over 2,000 eggs!

As we move into our 50th Anniversary celebration we recognize all the hard work of those who came before us. The next step is to take what exists and make it even better through a commitment to retention and onboarding of high-quality staff who effectively deliver Journey House's programs in a professional manner

unparalleled for a community organization anywhere throughout the country. We are eager to see what the future holds!

Thank you for Growing Together with us!

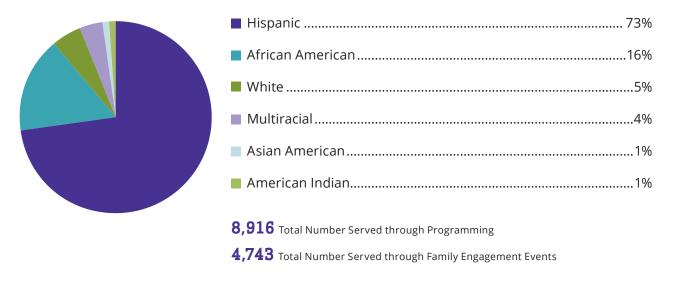
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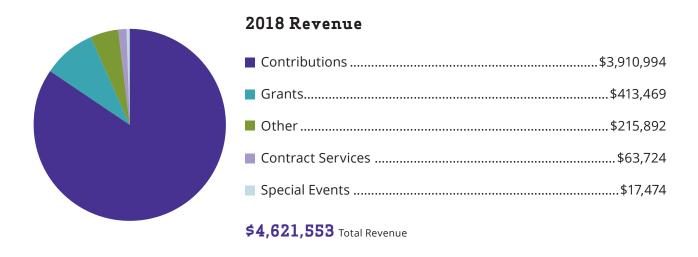
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Journey House empowers families
living on Milwaukee's near
Southside to move out of poverty
by offering adult education,
workforce development, youth
development, and family
engagement programs.

### 2018 Demographics









### Awards & Highlights

The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Major League-quality baseball field at Baran Park took place September 20, 2018. The \$450,000 field was paid for by a grant from Major League Baseball and Scotts.

The First Annual Punt, Pass, Kick Fundraiser was held September 28, 2019. Teams Secure Fire & Safety, Young Milwaukee, RBC, Milliman, Argent-West Bend Mutual, R&R Insurance, and Barb Klein battled it out on the field during an afternoon of friendly competition. Team Milliman stands as the 2018 Champion.

On June 2, 2018 Journey House hosted the **One Dream One Team Gala & Auction**. The event welcomed 213 guests and raised \$200,000 in support of our programs and services.

Discovery World recognized Journey House as their **Community Partner of the Year** at their July Discovery World Gala.

Journey House families received care packages filled with all the fixings for a delicious holiday dinner thanks to the **Donald Driver Foundation's Turkey Trot**. This year 205 families took part in this program.

















### Core Programming

This year was an exciting year as we continued to grow our programming and impact! Through our pillar programs of adult education, workforce readiness, youth development, and family engagement Journey House provides the tools families need to advance their personal and professional goals and move their families out of poverty. All program areas integrate three key methods that allow us to achieve our mission: education, relationship building, and exposure.

#### **Adult Education**

As an MATC satellite site, Journey House provides high quality instruction in English Language Learner (ELL), adult basic skills/GED/literacy (offered in English and Spanish), and a pathway to citizenship. The skills developed through these programs serve as powerful tools for adults to obtain and maintain quality employment. Our classes offer a Personal Education Plan to ensure we are meeting the specific needs of each and every one of our students. In order to limit the obstacles adult learners encounter when continuing their education, Journey House provides free, bilingual, on-site child care with a curriculum centered around social, physical and intellectual stimulation to prepare children for Head Start and K4. Throughout the year, 543 adults took part in these classes. Eight adults earned their GED, 352 increased an instructional level, and 36 adults became US Citizens. Additionally, 120 children attended our on-site childcare.

#### **Workforce Development**

Our Workforce Readiness programs provide participants with a solid foundation to gain the skills employers are looking for. Journey House is one of three Local Initiative Support Corporation Financial Opportunity Centers in Wisconsin that allows low-income residents to obtain the tools and resources necessary to gain meaningful employment. An integral part of our framework is the THRIVE internship, an intensive 12-week program that prepares individuals for the workplace. This year, 805 participants benefited from our workforce readiness services, including 49 job placements, 24 completed the THRIVE































Career Pathway Certification, 91 completed our two-week mental skills boot camp, and 624 FY2017 tax returns were filed, free of charge, through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. Additionally, 12 residents took advantage of Journey House's Campus Housing Initiative, which provides housing and transitional services to youth aging out of the foster care system.

### **Youth Development**

Abundant opportunities to thrive in academics, athletics, and the arts (visual and performing) allows our youth to develop the educational and life skills to create a promising future for themselves. Journey House believes that personal and academic life skills are developed in the classroom, on the playground, and on the field. Through this holistic approach we offer a variety of programming highly organized athletic leagues, Journey House Football League and the Felix Mantilla Baseball League, College Careers Academic Enhancement Structured Study Hall, modeled after Division I College Athletic programs, Youth Leadership through Esquires and Girls in the House and an after-school Community Learning Centers.

In 2018, we served 482 youth in our athletic programs, 628 in our arts programs, 392 in our youth leadership programs, and 843 in our Community Learning Centers at Longfellow Elementary, Kagel Elementary, and South Division High School.

### **Family Engagement**

Community events are a special time for families to come together and celebrate in a fun, free, and safe environment while enjoying a meaningful evening out. These events foster rich environments where families can learn, grow, and laugh together. This year was our First Annual Spring Egg Hunt, in partnership with Girl Scout Troop #8605. We also continued many beloved traditions with our Halloween Spooktacular, Thanksgiving Dinner, Tree Lighting Ceremony, Shop with a Cop, Adopt a Family Program, Longfellow Homework Nights and Family Dinners, and Winter Wonderland. Throughout the year 4,743 individuals participated in these impactful programs, more than any year before!



### Family Story

The Perez-Basurto family moved to Milwaukee from Mexico in 2004 and shortly after arriving, Sara Basurto heard about the English classes being offered at the former Journey House Adult Learning Center on 19th and Washington. She was attracted not only to the free classes, but also the on-site child care where her children Elena and Ramon spent their early years while their mom pursued her education. Journey House community events are a vivid childhood memory for Elena, as she and her brother attended holiday events such as Winter Wonderland, Thanksgiving, and Halloween Spook-tacular. They even volunteered with Journey House during the holidays, helping wrap the many presents that were donated each year. A particularly special memory for the Perez-Basurto are family picnics that the adult education classes took with their children every summer.

Journey House offered the resources and skills that Sara needed to be able to find a better job and not worry about the safety of her kids. "They always took really good care of us at that day-care, we were always creating fun projects and doing engaging activities," remembers Elena.

Through the years the Perez-Basurto family continued to take advantage of different programming as their needs changed. Sara came back to Journey House later, and this time brought her sister, Laura, along. Sara continued her education by pursuing her GED and Laura joined the THRIVE workforce development program to help her become more employable. Sara was also excited to learn of new opportunities for her now adolescent children. Elena joined the youth center as a youth worker for the summer camp program. Re-joining the Journey House family connected Elena and her family to more opportunities within the community. Elena started volunteering with Clarke Square Neighborhood Initiative and their annual Ciclovia event.

As Elena grew closer to her high school graduation, she joined the Earn & Learn summer internship and eventually began learning administrative tasks to become an effective receptionist. Now, Elena's bright, welcoming smile greets everyone who walks through the door. While being a part-time receptionist with Journey House, Elena is attending Alverno College on a full scholarship, majoring in Art Therapy. She and her family are a true testament to how families growing up in Journey House can make their dreams a reality.



# Cornell and Terrion Oliver

Journey House is home to outstanding, well-crafted youth programs such as, Esquires for Boys, Youth Athletics, and College Careers. The two young men featured here have done it all: meet Cornell Oliver (19) and Terrion Oliver (18), two brothers whose lives were shaped through Journey House. The Oliver brothers are well-known throughout Journey House whether it's through their involvement in athletics, academics or even volunteering.

The Oliver brothers have been a part of the Journey House mission since their early years. Cornell and Terrion found comfort in Journey House from the first moment they walked in the doors, "I remember seeing a lot of guys playing basketball and it was exciting" Cornell shared about his first impression. For Terrion, access to technology through our computer lab facilities proved most useful for him.

Journey House means many things to many people and for the Oliver brothers it has been a place to develop life-long leadership skills. "Since my first day here, Journey House has been making me better as a young man and preparing me for the world. Being a part of Journey House has opened up all of the doors to make us successful in life." As Journey House serves many families every year, those same doors have been opened even wider thanks to people like Cornell and Terrion who believe in the work we do and help spread our mission.

Both Cornell and Terrion continue to be heavily involved in Journey House programming, especially when it revolves around sports. Both brothers have used the lessons they've learned growing up in Esquires and Youth Athletics to become influential leaders within their Milwaukee Public School high school. They have been recognized as outstanding athletes and leaders.

Although sports have been a strong focus of interest for both Cornell and Terrion, their favorite Journey House memory has been the



opportunity to travel to our country's capital, an experience they never would have had if it hadn't been for their close involvement with Journey House.

"Going to Washington D.C. was the best, hands down, no contest. Being presented with the opportunity to travel to our nation's capital city for free, not once, not twice but three times will never be topped."

Cornell and Terrion wanted to be sure to leave a heartfelt "Thank You!" to everyone who has supported them and watched them grow through their years at Journey House and beyond.

Cornell will be attending UW-Green Bay in Fall 2019. Congratulations!



### Journey House Fellows

The Journey House family is large and diverse, and an integral part of our community are our Journey House Fellows. This year we were blessed to grow to four full-time Fellows, the most we've had to date. Their stories of transformation are inspirational and highlight the strength and assets within our community.

### **Rafael Espino (Upper Right Photo)**

As a high school dropout, I was pointed to the YouthBuild Program here at Journey House through my school. My plan was to obtain my GED and find a stable job through the program and Journey House offered MATC teachers to help with the process. My teacher was Dr. Bria and after YouthBuild, I heard there was a job opportunity for the Earn and Learn Program where I applied and got the job. I loved it so much that I applied for another position in Journey House and Dr. Bria and Coach Brown gave me a shot with a part-time fellowship job working directly under their leadership and it was the best thing I've could have done.

### **Keandre Lee (Lower Left Photo)**

My Journey House journey started after I heard about the Thrive Career Internship Program. As a kid aging out of foster care, I needed a way to keep moving forward in my life. Journey House was an invaluable source of opportunities and resources built around the development of people from my same background. After Thrive, I was fortunate to be offered a position as a Fellow. My job at Journey House is centered around concessions and landscaping for the different Journey House properties. Journey House has helped me gain and maintain a variety of useful skills and become more involved in my community.

### **Dra 'Vonn Bankhead (Lower Right Photo)**

After dropping out of high school, I didn't have a lot of options and I felt like I was running out of time. I found a program, YouthBuild, which offered GED and a 15-week construction course, and I thought, why not? During my time in YouthBuild, my classes for GED were held at Journey House and from the moment I walked in the door I knew I was going to be successful here. Now, I have been employed at Journey House for over three years, and I've done so much in that time, from working in our afterschool program to concessions to giving tours and public speaking on behalf of the organization. Being here has opened so many doors for my future and I'm so thankful.

(Shawn Folck, Upper Left Photo)















### Community Solutions International Fellows

IREX is an international NGO that implements the Community Solutions Program (CSP), a program of the US Department of State. CSP is a professional development program for up-and-coming leaders from around the world working in environmental issues, tolerance and conflict resolution, transparency and accountability, and women and gender issues. The CSP program brings these leaders to the U.S. for a four-month professional development experience. As part of that experience, the fellows are placed with a U.S. host organization where they work full-time with their American counterparts. This year Journey House was chosen to host two CSP fellows, Deogratias Kayumba from the Democratic Republic of Congo and Sa'eed Diabat from Israel.

As a Training Manager for Al-Fanar, Sa'eed Diabat (top photo) has experience guiding and coaching people from diverse communities and backgrounds to develop their employment opportunities and careers and widen their field of interests. During his fellowship, Sa'eed worked closely with our youth and family engagement programs to learn new methods of community empowerment and promoting the social inclusion of minority groups. He also brought a partnership with Play for Peace to Journey House and through his leadership ten Journey House staff members were trained on Play for Peace strategies. Upon returning to Israel, Sa'eed initiated a project of leadership and social commitment for youth from diverse backgrounds and minorities in the Middle East.

As a Program Manager for Human Care and Community Development, Deogratias Kayumba (lower photo) has experience delivering vocational training and extension programs related to the environment and agriculture to smallholder farmers. During his fellowship, Deogratias worked closely with our Food Systems Initiative to improve his leadership skills and broaden his knowledge of development practices for sustainable agricultural and environmental management. Upon returning to the Democratic Republic of Congo, Deogratias is using his acquired leadership skills to implement community development projects and innovate sustainable household agricultural improvement projects.

### Washington D.C.

Expose! Explore! Experience!

In August, 40 scholar youth leaders had the opportunity to visit Washington D.C. and Baltimore thanks to a grant from Herb Kohl Philanthropies. These students were youth that showed exceptional dedication and leadership throughout the summer while participating in volunteer projects, community service, and internships through Journey House programming.

This 5-day cross-country adventure was an opportunity for our students to learn more about our country and nation's capital through visits to important national landmarks such as the U.S. Capital, the African American Museum, the Newseum, the Navy Academy, the Lincoln Memorial, the Martin Luther King Memorial, the historically black college of Coppin State University, and dining at the historic Ben's Chili Bowl.

Three of our scholar leaders had the distinguished honor of laying the wreath at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

For more pictures visit: http://www.journeyhouse.org/dc.html

"Our favorite part was the Naval Academy because it was really interesting for us and we would like to be in the Navy someday, so we learned a lot of stuff."

- Twin sisters Angela and Angelica





















### THRIVE Career Intern

"Before joining Journey House's THRIVE program (summer of 2018) I was unknowingly still carrying mental baggage that initiated years ago. My day today life had become an emotional rollercoaster and I often times found myself in a deep dark place of depression. Ready to explode at any given moment. I was uncertain with life, unmotivated and unemployed at the time when Ritchie Martin introduced the program to me. But, mentally I was determined to complete all necessary steps for completion because I needed a job.

It wasn't until our third day of Mental Bootcamp that I began to self reflect on the reasoning "why" I was so mentally disturbed. One of the rules for the week was "Do not speak unless moved." To me this would be a piece of cake. I only knew one individual in the class and I was uninterested in giving my life's story to a bunch of strangers that at the time I was unwilling to even get to know. I sat in eerie silence for two full sessions battling face to face with my real thoughts and emotions that were suppressed for so many years. On the third day everything changed and I couldn't hold my composure any longer. I was tired of acting as though everything was okay. I was tired of rotting in self-hate and self-blame. So, finally I opened my mouth to speak but before any words could come out tears began to stream down my eyes and all I remember saying is "I just want to be free" as I buried my head in my lap wailing for hours. Allowing myself to spiritually purge from all traumatic situations that led up to that point.

On that very day I was finally at the start of my stride towards mental freedom. Had it not been for the experience granted to me by Journey House I'd probably still be walking around in spiritual bondage. Here I was attending the program only with the intent to get a job but I received tons of valuable lessons. Although, I did not complete the program; I'd been offered immediate employment after completing the mental toughness boot camp (from a job that called me back after they refused to hire me months prior) before commencement. I feel that the universe had its own intervention and I am very appreciative for the opportunity and the supportive staff. Thank you!"

– THRIVE Testimonial from JaNay Steward, January 7



### Douglas Proebsting Scholarship

Douglas Proebsting cared deeply about other people, especially our Journey House Teens. Every year, he contributed to our teen programming, especially during the winter holiday season to make sure our hard-working teens had a joyful Christmas. Although Doug passed away much to early in life, his memory will live on in the Douglas Proebsting Scholarship, which will be awarded to active Journey House Scholar Leaders and/or Scholar Athletes who exemplify Doug's compassion, leadership, hard work ethic, and his care for others.

Journey House anticipates annually awarding \$10,000 in Douglas Proebsting Scholarship (ranging from \$500 to \$2,500) for the next decade and beyond.

written by his wife, Wendy Proebsting:

"A phrase Doug would often use was "It is what it is." He took life as it came, tried not to stress about the things he couldn't change, and made the best out of any situation. He was always "a glass half full" kind of person; he chose to see the bright side of life. People loved to be around him because he was very genuine and made people comfortable. When you were around him, he made you feel like nothing else mattered; that you were special. It was one of his greatest gifts. He was an outstanding listener and communicator and truly enjoyed helping people. He was a great problem-solver and approached challenges with creativity, hard-work, and patience. Doug brought out the best in those around him with his positive attitude, calm nature, and incredible sense of humor.

Those who knew Doug referred to him as a "giver." He was generous with his time, money, love, and talents. He felt very blessed and thought it was important to give back; to pay it forward. He had a never-ending desire to do more, help more, and give more.

When Doug had free time, he loved spending time with his family and friends. Some of his favorite activities included playing golf, tennis, ping-pong, playing cards, and almost any water sport. He was a big Badger and Packer fan too. Doug also had a sweet tooth and especially liked ice cream and Oreo cookies.

Doug was a wonderful husband and father who took great pride in his family. His loyalty, integrity, unconditional love, contagious smile, and down-to-earth nature endeared him to so many. I think he will be remembered for being humble and kind with a heart of gold. Every life he touched, he made better."









### BelAir Cantina-Powered by Tacos

Each year, BelAir Cantina selects a nonprofit organization to be their Powered By Tacos partner, and Journey House was proudly selected to have a taco created specifically for us. The Journey House Taco consisted of roasted pork shoulder, house-made chorizo, sweet plantains, pico de galo, mojo sauce, and microgreens. As a recipient of Powered by Tacos, we will receive a maximum of \$25,000 that is raised through proceeds of our signature taco created for us in partnership with the executive chef and featured on all location menus for five months.







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### Clarke Square Apartments





Urban Academy Center at Baran Park



## Journey House Café





Baran Park Baseball Complex





## Sources of Grants and Contracts

#### **CITY OF MILWAUKEE**

Community Development Block Grant Neighborhood Ambassadors Program (NAP)

### **INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE**

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

## LOCAL INITIATIVE SUPPORT CORPORATION (LISC)

Financial Opportunity Center

### **MILWAUKEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (MPS)**

Community Learning Center Kagel K-5 School Longfellow K-8 School South Division High School Summer Stars

#### **MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

### UNITED NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS OF MILWAUKEE

Bader Philanthropies Cultural Arts Grant

### UNITED WAY OF GREATER MILWAUKEE AND WAUKESHA COUNTY

Adult Education
Community Schools
Financial Education
Urban Careers Institute

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# Journey House Learning & Leadership Centers

### JOURNEY HOUSE CENTER FOR FAMILY LEARNING AND YOUTH ATHLETICS

2110 West Scott Street Milwaukee, WI 53204 Ph: 414-647-0548

Fax: 414-647-0266

### JOURNEY HOUSE PACKERS FOOTBALL STADIUM

Milwaukee County Mitchell Park (eastern side) South 22nd Street and West Pierce Street Milwaukee, WI 53204

#### **FELIX MANTILLA LITTLE LEAGUE**

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#### **Community Learning Centers (CLC):**

#### H.W. LONGFELLOW K-8 SCHOOL CLC

1021 S. 21st Street Milwaukee, WI 53204 Ph: 414-902-9807

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### **Campus Housing Properties:**

741 South 23rd Street Milwaukee, WI 53204

2033 West Scott Street Milwaukee, WI 53204

2330 West Mineral Street Milwaukee, WI 53204



### 50th Anniversary: Our Past, Our Present, Our Future

### Our Journey—Our Past

Since 1969, Journey House has been transforming lives in and around Milwaukee's Near Southside. Over time, the organization has grown from a small start-up founded by VISTA volunteers to a highly visible community asset located physically and figuratively in the center of Clarke Square. Journey House continues to serve as a premier catalytic agent of change for the individuals and families that utilize its resources.

#### Where We Were

The Happy Moon Journey House derived its name from the United States' successful lunar landing in 1969. VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) workers established Journey House as a community service operation staffed 100% by volunteers. The goal was to help youth and families living in poverty to overcome obstacles and attain a higher quality of life. Supplies and materials were provided thanks to the generosity of Zion United Church of Christ (S. 14th St. and Greenfield Ave.).

#### Where We Are—Our Present

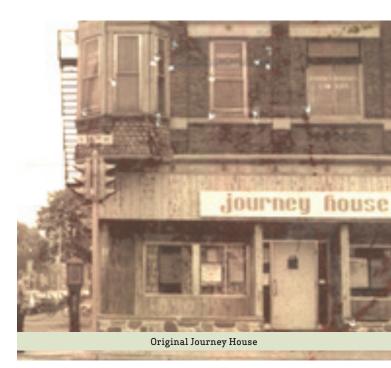
Journey House has experienced tremendous growth since its new facility opened its doors in May 2012. The organization serves over 8,900 different individuals annually through its core programs of adult education, youth development, workforce readiness, and family engagement. Journey House is a proud member organization of the United Neighborhood Centers of Milwaukee (UNCOM) and eagerly participates in over 260 partnerships and collaborative relationships with for-profit and not-for-profit organizations throughout the Metro Milwaukee area.

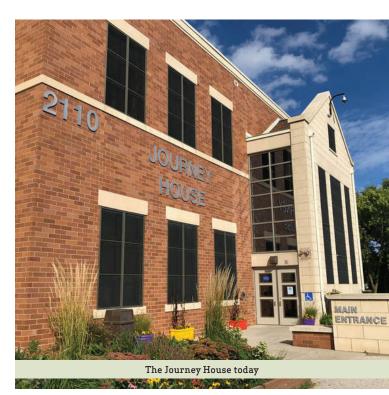
#### Where We Are Going—Our Future

Journey House has demonstrated tremendous capacity for growth as an organization. More importantly, Journey House's growth has been accompanied by a profound impact on the Clarke Square Neighborhood and the greater Milwaukee community. Journey House has embraced the challenges that come along with serving a diverse clientele in a challenging neighborhood. The results

have shown that community investments pay off in the form of reduced violence, increased community engagement, and more people employed.

The Journey House facilities--the organization's central building, as well as the Journey House Packers Stadium, Baran Park Baseball Fields and Campus Housing—represent the investments of a committed Board of Directors, hardworking staff, and eager participants.







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# JOURNEY HOUSE CAMPUS A MILWAUKEE DESTINATION

Secured \$22 Million of Investments in New Infrastructure

Journey House Community Center Annually Serves 8,900 Children and Families

Journey House Packers
Football Stadium at Mitchell Park
2 Acres

Steward 28 Acres of Milwaukee County Park Land Journey House Felix Mantilla Baseball Complex at Baran Park 26 Acres

Zip Code 53215 Most Youth of Any Zip Code in Wisconsin

> 741 S 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Campus Housing 6 Units

Scott Street
Campus Housing
3 Units
&
Journey Café

Greenfield Avenue Campus Housing 2 Units

51 Units of Affordable Housing

Journey House Community Gardens 30 Garden Beds

Clarke Square Apartments at Mineral 14 Units Clarke Square
Apartments at Vieaux
26 Units

Over 260 Partners