



# Repairers of the Breach 2016 Annual Report

## A Message from Rebecca North, our Board President, on our 2016 Accomplishments

Now in our 26th year of service, Repairers of the Breach continues to fill a gap in Milwaukee's homeless provider network as the area's only daytime shelter. This year, we had over 2,400 visits/month by people who see Repairers as a place of refuge and healing. Through the generosity of our donors, Repairers was able to continue to save, sustain, and restore the lives of these men and women. Our life-saving programs met the basic needs of thousands by providing food, showers, clean clothing, and free medical care. Our clinic treated 924 patients, and we partnered with the Aids Resource Center of Wisconsin, Partners in Pursuit of the Promise, and Walgreens' flu clinic, to name a few. When members had goals pertaining to literacy, volunteer tutors assisted them in our classroom. When members wanted to secure employment, our Employment Assistance Center helped them prepare resumes, search for jobs, and secure bus fare to reach their new jobs. When members hoped to secure housing, they were aided by our partners at Community Advocates as well as our Alumni Support program.

In July 2016, our administrative office moved from its location on 61st and Vliet into the 3rd floor of the center. Not only has this saved Repairers \$650/month in rent, but it has fostered a greater sense of community. In order to make this transition possible, improvements were made to the building, including installing more cameras and investing in high-quality internet. Repairers' 2016 updates went beyond just our building. We formed a Communication and Fund Development Committee that has done a number of things, including improving our website and corresponding more with donors and volunteers on Facebook. They also organized Repairers' first donor appreciation event at MSOE's Grohmann Museum, giving us the opportunity to thank our many supporters. Several times this winter conditions were life-threatening, and we opened our emergency warming room for a total of 15 nights. Keeping things going during the winter is always difficult, but Milwaukeeans made it possible by giving monetary gifts as well as donating warm coats, hats, gloves, blankets, and sleeping bags. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to help hundreds of men and women make it through winter safely. Repairers of the Breach has always worked to meet its members' immediate needs while at the same time creating opportunities for growth. Members have utilized our programs and services to become established in the community and improve their overall quality of life. Repairers is committed to continuing its life-saving, life-sustaining, and life-restoring services, and we welcome others to join us in this work.

## 2016 Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is extremely grateful for the support received from individuals, community groups, and organizations in 2016. Thanks entirely to the generosity of our donors and volunteers, we have been able to continue our life-saving, life-sustaining, and life-restoring work. On behalf of everyone at Repairers of the Breach, we thank you.

### **Executive Director**

Rev. James W. West, Jr.

### **Officers**

President - Rebecca North  
Vice President - Adu Kahmanne  
Secretary - Benjamin Rubino  
Treasurer - Matthew Partain

### **Members-At-Large**

Joyce Roesler

## Community Group Contributions

Below is a list of the community organizations that contributed over \$500 to support our daytime resource center in 2016.

Catholic Memorial High School  
Community Shares of Greater Milwaukee  
Crossroads Presbyterian Church  
Emmanuel United Church of Christ  
Dousman  
First Congregational Church of Wauwatosa  
Good Shepherd Catholic Church  
Greendale Community Church  
Lalumiere League  
Lumen Christi Parish  
Mequon United Methodist Church  
Milwaukee Catholic Home  
Milwaukee Empty Bowls  
Milwaukee Friends Meeting  
North Shore Congregational  
Pere Marquette Jesuit Community  
South Milwaukee High School  
St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish  
St John Neumann Parish  
St John Vianney Parish  
St Joseph's Congregation/Wauwatosa  
St Margaret Mary Parish  
St Mary's Parish/Hales Corners  
St Paul's Episcopal Church  
St Sebastian Congregation  
St. James Congregation  
St. Joseph Congregation/Grafton  
Three Holy Women Parish  
Thrivent Financial for Lutherans  
Trinity CME Church  
United Way of Greater Milwaukee and Waukesha County, Inc.  
Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church

## Organization Contributions

Below is a list of the corporations and foundations that contributed over \$100 (up to as much as \$15,000) to support our daytime resource center in 2016.

Alvin & Marion Birnschein Foundation  
Atlas Belting  
Data Financial, Inc.  
Evan and Marion Helfaer Foundation  
Foley & Lardner LLP  
Forest County Potawatomi Foundation  
GE Foundation  
Gilles Frozen Custard  
Greater Milwaukee Foundation  
Harley-Davidson Foundation  
Janice & Raymond Perry Community Fund  
Jewish Community Foundation  
Kasdorf Family Charitable Trust  
Liberty Mutual Foundation  
Loan Depot LLC  
MHS Health Wisconsin  
Mary Martha and Emmett J Doerr Charitable Trust  
Microtrend, Inc.  
Milwaukee Valve Company  
Pershing LLC  
Rexnord Foundation  
Robert W Baird & Co Foundation  
Schoenleber Foundation  
Scott Advertising  
Standard Process  
Step 1 Environmental, Inc.  
T & D Machine  
Your Cause Corporate Giving Programs

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Repairers of the Breach, Inc  
Statement of Activities  
For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	2015 Total	2014 Total
<b>Revenue</b>				
Foundations	\$ 50,428	\$ -	\$ 50,428	\$ 88,331
Contributions	287,200	-	287,200	284,313
Community Shares of Greater Milwaukee	20,297	-	20,297	7,311
Investment Income	146	-	146	324
In-Kind Goods and Services	215,872	-	215,872	197,818
Other Income	-	-	-	50
Net Assets Released from Restriction	178,897	(178,897)	-	-
Total Revenue	<u>752,840</u>	<u>(178,897)</u>	<u>573,943</u>	<u>578,147</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Program Services	489,881	-	489,881	549,543
Management and General	131,773	-	131,773	192,185
Fund-Raising	18,562	-	18,562	23,789
Total Expenses	<u>640,216</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>640,216</u>	<u>765,517</u>
Change in Net Assets	112,624	(178,897)	(66,273)	(187,370)
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	<u>1,909,878</u>	<u>216,827</u>	<u>2,126,705</u>	<u>2,314,075</u>
Net Assets - End of Year	<u>\$ 2,022,502</u>	<u>\$ 37,930</u>	<u>\$ 2,060,432</u>	<u>\$ 2,126,705</u>

## OUR MISSION

*To bring forth homeless people to act collectively to change the present conditions under which they live, through advocacy/education and direct action.*

## Our Vision

*Each individual will have adequate food, a home, health care, a support system, literacy and an empowered voice.*



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