

Services To Enhance Potential 2023 Annual Report













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OUR VISION

We are responsive to a dynamic, diverse environment serving as a catalyst and the champion for full, meaningful community life for all Individuals.

OUR MISSION

To support individuals in the pursuit of their chosen goals and the achievement of personal satisfaction in their lives.



2023 Annual Report

Letter From the President

Dear Friends and Supporters,

On behalf of our Board of Directors and the over one hundred eighty dedicated employees, we hope you find our 2023 Annual Report informative and inspirational. We deeply appreciate your support throughout the year as one of our valued community and/or business partners. Our continued success is dependent on the support provided throughout our communities.

We continue to be impressed with the resiliency our programs exhibit as we navigate our exit from the COVID-19 pandemic. Our programming continues to adapt to the ever-changing interests of those we serve.

The member highlights shared throughout our Annual Report serve as important reminders that success is possible for everyone. Our staff continue to instill the confidence in those we serve that the sky is the limit to their potential. Confidence is highly contagious and felt by many of the members we serve daily. It is often found in the PASC Artist who is showing their artwork off for the first time at an exhibit, with a young adult interning in one of our Project SEARCH pre-employment sites, someone learning a valuable healthy living skill in one of our culinary arts kitchens, or with a member helping engage in conversation in our skill building classrooms.

We hope you find reading this annual report as energizing as we did while developing it. The successes highlighted are only a few of the ones occurring every day. If you are ever interested in seeing any programming first-hand, please let us know and we will schedule a tour that meets your schedule.

Thank you for your continued support,

Brent Mikulski Chief Executive Officer



Brent Mikulski President/CEO

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Employment and Training Services

Services To Enhance Potential's Supported Employment Services department promotes employment opportunities for individuals with a disability by providing a number of **Employment Placement, Job** Development, Job Training, and Job Coaching services. Our training programs include a Certified Janitorial Training Program, Retail Training through our Thrift Store Operations, and General **Business Training designed** to help an individual adjust to a variety of work settings. Our Workplace to Success Internship Program is designed to help transition the information presented in the classroom to a real-life setting in a workplace.



Summer Earn & Learn

This summer program is a partnership between Michigan Rehabilitation Services, the Bureau of Services for Blind Persons and STEP. It consists of 6 weeks of paid onthe-job experience at a community work site with the support of a skills trainer. It also includes virtual classroom sessions centered around soft skill development, workplace expectations, industry specific support and more! Participants will learn the skills they need to be successful in the workplace and earn at least minimum wage while doing so. This is the first employment exposure where students are matched with business partners. Students participated in work about 20 hours per week. Students were matched with a variety of employers, including a bowling alley, community garden, restaurants, and a veterinary clinic. In total, 21 individuals participated this summer in Wayne and Macomb Counties. Some of the interns even received offers of employment upon completion of the program!

Project SEARCH

Project SEARCH is a unique and valuable learning experience



made possible by a collaboration between STEP, MRS, Corewell Health (formerly Beaumont) Hospital and local school districts. Program participants agree to forego their last year of traditional classroom learning and instead opt for an in-depth and hands-on internship experience at a host business in their community. During the course of the year, interns have an opportunity to complete three separate and distinct rotations in various departments within the hospital, learning the transferable skills needed to secure competitive and integrated job placement upon graduation. This year's Project SEARCH graduates have found both full and part-time opportunities in the community and report feeling proud of their personal progress and professional growth. STEP is excited to announce the addition of two new Project SEARCH sites for the 2023-2024 academic year, in addition to our Dearborn partnership that we have had for many years. Corewell Health will be hosting a new cohort of interns in both their Wayne and Trenton hospitals. We are so excited to expand this program and to support these interns in their journey to independence and competitive employment.

Employment Success Stories



Majida

Majida began working with STEP Vocational Services Manager, Aimee Szabo, in the fall of 2022 to reach the goal of daycare employment. After completing a six week trial work experience at It Takes a Village, Majida's goal was affirmed, and she began searching for full-time employment. Fast forward to spring of 2023, Majida was hired by Childtime as a Childcare Assistant. She obtained her first aid, AED and CPR training from the Red Cross and is really enjoying her position. Majida says, "Nothing is out of reach and everything is possible." Congratulations, Majida!



Taylor

Taylor has long been a STEP member, participating in Dream and working at the STEP Thrift Store and Donation Centers. Taylor acquired employment at Kroger's in Southgate during the pandemic and continues to work there. He excels at this job and has displayed amazing customer skills. In his spare time, he still enjoys attending the Dream program on Thursday and special outings. He makes friends easily and is a great ambassador for STEP in the community. He is very caring and always willing to step up to help anyone who needs it. Congratulations, Taylor!



Remy

Remy is one of our crew members on our AbilityOne cleaning crew at the FAA Tower at Detroit Metro Airport. Since starting on the crew over 4 years ago, Remy has been able to overcome the need of totally depending on his co-workers to always help him with his assigned tasks. Gaining a greater sense of independence at work and in his personal life are milestones that he is proud of. He is proud of his attendance and his ability to travel to work on his own.

Macomb Community Mental Health Services

STEP has partnered with the local Community Mental Health agency in Macomb County to offer a skill building and supported employment program at Cairns Community Center. This program consists of STEP members and a Skills Trainer that teaches on-the-job skills. The members are learning maintenance activities, relationship building with other members, skill building techniques like money management techniques while out in the community, problem solving, work ethic, teamwork, and interpersonal skills. We are proud to announce that each member in this program continues to successfully acquire the necessary skills to be gainfully employed in a career of their choosing.

Maybury State Park

Over the summer, STEP partnered with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS) to offer a Work-Based Learning Experience at Maybury State Park in Northville. The interns engaged in a variety of skill building activities, as well as forestry fieldwork, recreation management, and other infrastructure maintenance activities. Interns learned to trim trails, make small maintenance repairs, and safely use hand tools.

AbilityOne Contract

The Ann Arbor Federal Building is a Source America/AbilityOne contact for STEP with the General Service Administration (GSA). At this site, we provide custodial services for the federal government with our 7 janitors and 1 supervisor. Our janitorial crew is tasked with cleaning the Ann Arbor Federal Building which houses Washtenaw County's FBI, ATF, US Postal Office, US Marshall's Office and US District Court Judge Chambers and Courtrooms.

Core Value Award



Nonyel Nash

"Nonyel embodies excellence in everything she does. She handles everything with grace and care. She takes time to talk to and get to know each of her members. She gains insight to their needs, even when they don't or can't verbalize them. She cares about how our members are treated, she advocates on their behalf and creates an environment in which they feel at home. When our members are in her care, they glow. Parents and caregivers can breathe easy knowing that they are taken care of. She is an example to look up to and a joy to know and work with."

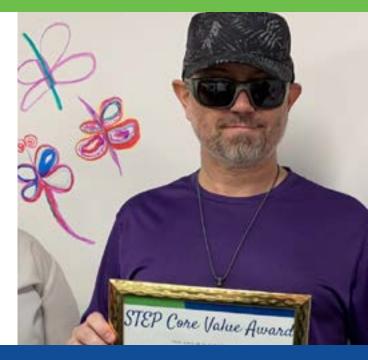
- STEP Employee, Jasmine Washington

Congratulations to Nonyel Nash and Todd Stevens for being selected as the 2023 STEP Core Value Award winners. Nonyel and Todd were nominated by their fellow employees for displaying a good representation of the STEP core values Respect, Empowerment, Integrity, Excellence, Collaboration, Competency, Accountability and Commitment.

Todd Stevens

"Todd Stevens is a Skills Trainer at STEP who has been employed since 2006 and has worked with many programs during that time. For the last year, he has supported the PASC Westland program where he has been an exemplary staff member. He embodies all STEP's core values. He treats all participants with respect and makes sure they treat their peers with respect. He makes sure all participants feel empowered to make their own choices and understand that the choices they make (whether good or bad) are part of and affect their personal empowerment."

- Anthony Marcellini, PASC Program Manager



STEP Core Values

- EMPOWERMENT and choice for all individuals
- INTEGRITY in all of our transactions and dealings with one another and the public
- **EXCELLENCE** in all that we endeavor to achieve
- RESPECT for all individuals with whom we come in contact COLLABORATION in making decisions that impact others
 - **COMPETENCY** in each task we perform
 - ACCOUNTABILITY for our decisions and actions
 - **COMMITMENT** to those we support and to one another

Production / Manufacturing

STEP facilties have the capabilities to do kitting and hand assembly jobs for customers. These opportunities train individuals in processing orders and quality output. It allows members to experience a wide array of factory settings so that they can pursue competitive employment outside of STEP. The customer base supplies STEP with all the necessary parts, labels and shipping supplies to complete the orders. STEP can also provide logistics and transportation of supplies when necessary.

For the second year in a row, we have worked for Duffy Tri-C Club Supply. Members kit Bic razors into a bag, heat seal the bag and then put 100 razors in a large bag and heat seal them. This has been a good partnership and it's just one example of what members do in production. MJS Packaging, BASF, Pratt Industries, United Metal, Zatkoff and



Source America/Veritiv are just a few customers that have kept members busy throughout the last year with various types of kitting and hand assembly jobs.

The experience in production of learning how to kit and assemble parts gives our members the tools to succeed in the community and work force.



STEP Thrift Store & Donation Centers



Thrift stores STEP forward with new technology

As STEP Thrift Stores have developed and grown, we sometimes struggle with communication and training on multiple levels. Because we have to adapt quickly to an ever-changing world, getting everyone on the same page is sometimes a daunting task. Ensuring everyone has the same base of knowledge is a big task, no matter how large or small your workforce.

Recently, STEP Thrift Stores started a partnership with Central Reach to start the launch of assistive technology with Avail to increase access to training and improve training outcomes for all interns and staff at all our thrift store locations.

What is Avail? Avail is an app-based platform designed to provide individual training for people needing support in various degrees. STEP has worked to use this technology in a unique way that is specifically targeted to house training support for all operations in the store environment. Since retail operations are very complex and time consuming to train and support, Avail allows staff and interns at STEP to access training rapidly while on the floor and can allow interns and staff to quickly review aspects of training without pulling out and searching old school paper manuals. Learning register operations is a very detailed and often confusing process that requires constant reinforcement and review until mastery of skill occurs. Using Avail, we can drastically change not only the resources required to train someone on the register, but Avail also provides long term support for all interns and staff to review certain aspects of the process whenever needed. If a member is in the process of learning the register, having a platform where consistent training is available is a great resource.

Over the past year, we have developed our Avail platform and began rolling it out a few months ago to use in training at the stores. Utilizing a tablet, skills trainers are able to bring up precise word-based instructions or targeted video training when teaching new interns and a wide variety of tasks including money handling, customer service, store operations and customer service.

Our goals with Avail in the next year are to improve training access and improve the training experience. We are more alike than we are different but as individuals we need chances to explore different paths to learning and a new way to engage for growth. We plan on adding more training over the next year and look at bringing this platform to other ETS sites over time.

We are excited to welcome AVAIL to our store training process!



Baling Program

People often wonder what we do with clothing that does not sell. The answer is, we send those items to our Detroit location where they are compressed into 1100 pound bales for post market sales. These bales are sold to textiles companies, recyclers and other resellers over the course of the year. This gives us a chance to keep these items out of the landfill and add another revenue stream for the agency. The crew at Detroit also processes all of our jewelry, which can be very time consuming. They were able to process over 13,000 pieces that were sold in our three thrift stores throughout the year.



We had a fantastic time on National Thrift Store Day, on August 17th. We were featured on FOX 2 News Detroit and had a chance to show our wares to all of Detroit. Many items found new homes on National Thrift Store Day, so mark your calendars for next August 17th to get that yearly sale of 50% off all clothing and accessories.



AVERAGE PRICE ^{\$}13.54 PER CART NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS 89,3 **DYD** donations ^{\$}28,89 disbursed in year NUMBER OF **ITEMS SOLD** Pounds of clothing diverted from landfill

Clerk Spotlight: Jason Munir

Our clerk spotlight of the year is Jason Munir. Jason was hired from outside the agency, but from the get-go it was evident that Jason had a great desire to succeed. He had a great drive from day one and was willing to help with any task he was assigned. He quickly picked up on the register as well as working with money handling.

But Jason was open about his own disability with his supervisor and together they were able to make some accommodations to make Jason's work environment more accessible. Because Jason is legally blind, some areas of the store could sometimes be difficult to navigate, so STEP was able to get a high-powered flashlight that he can use when he needs a little extra light. STEP was also able to connect Jason to Bureau of Services for Blind Persons for more services for his eyesight. He was able to get a new pair of glasses which also helped a great deal.

Jason says, "I like working with the people. I am glad I found a place that will accommodate my health needs and take those into consideration when I work. I have found a true friend in another clerk and that would not have happened without starting here at STEP." You can see Jason at the Dearborn Heights Thrift Store the next time you are out dropping off donations or shopping for your next great deal. Congratulations to Jason!

Progressive Art Studio Collective



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PASC Studios and Art Practice

As we complete our third year, our artists have settled into the PASC program, becoming more focused, more directed, more skilled in their use of materials, their confidences have soared, and their artwork has blossomed. Participation numbers have increased. We are now supporting over 175 artists across three studios in Westland, Detroit and Southgate. The addition of transportation to and from our PASC Southgate location has increased numbers while also providing greater access to STEP programing for many participants living in the Downriver area.

We have helped to develop each artist's practice with the introduction of artist check in meetings and critiques, where artists present their artwork to their studio peers. PASC artists have also visited several art galleries and museums to increase their understanding of artistic methods and styles, as well as see their own artworks represented. They have visited the following sites Cranbrook Art Museum, Library Street Collective, Louis Buhl Gallery, Padzieski Gallery, PASC at the Belt Gallery, Detroit Institute of Arts, and The Art Gallery at Westland City Hall.

Exhibitions and Events

PASC has participated in numerous exhibitions and events. Eighteen PASC artists exhibited in a show at the Detroit Repertory Theater (December 2022). Twenty-two PASC artists presented artworks at Chap Lofts, Detroit (February 2023). Twelve PASC artists participated in our first show with artists outside of PASC, Get Together at Reyes | Finn gallery (February 2023). Forty PASC artists exhibited in From Every Direction at the Art Gallery at Westland City Hall (March 2023). PASC artist Lewis Foster was featured in two external exhibitions, By Design at Sage Studio in Austin, TX (February 2023), and The Art Mob's Out Tonight, at Space C7, San Antonio, TX (May 2023). Twentysix artists presented artwork in Expanding Orbits, at Padzieski Gallery, in the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn (June 2023). Five artists participated in Objects in Mirror are Closer than they Appear, at Circle Contemporary Gallery, part of Arts of life, Chicago (July 2023). Six artists represented PASC at an ADA pride exhibition at the Madison Heights Library (July 2023). Eleven artists participated in Beyond the Obvious, an exhibition at the University of Michigan Medical School's Art Space 200 gallery (September 2023).

In May, PASC launched our second pop up gallery, PASC at the Belt, a partnership with Library Street Collective and The Skip, located in a culturally redefined alleyway "The Belt" in Downtown Detroit. This temporary gallery space was supported through a grant from Michigan Arts and Cultural Council (MACC). Located across the alley from Library Street Collective and Louis Buhl Galleries, and inside a destination for locals and tourists, this temporary gallery has greatly increased PASC's audience, where we had over 700 people visit our gallery during our five month run. We presented three exhibitions focusing on smaller shows that present several artists' artworks, to



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communicate a greater sense of their individual practice. Persistent Vision (May 2023) featured artworks by three artists working in abstraction. Every Portrait is a Portrait of the Artist (July 2023) focused on portraiture. And our final exhibition The Sympathetic Relationship of Things (September 2023) was a larger group exhibition of eleven artist who focus on objects and pattern.

We also participated in numerous events this year including the Detroit Art Book Fair (October 2022), The Palmer Park Art Fair (June 2023), The West Village Block Party (June 2023), Midtown Art Fair (July 2023), Eastern Market After Dark (September 2023) and an event at Batch Brewing, Detroit (September 2023). And eleven PASC artists' artworks were featured on banners hanging from lampposts around the Market Center Park in Southgate, near our PASC Southgate studio.



Opening of Every Portrait is a Portrait of the Artist (July 2023), PASC at The Belt Gallery

Grants

We received four grants to support PASC from the following organizations Michigan Arts and Cultural Council (MACC), Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan (CFSEM), the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), a two-year grant that will go into effect this winter, and a matching grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC). PASC also launched its first fundraising campaign through Patronicity and MEDC, where we raised over \$50,000 in two months to support PASC's new studio and gallery being buildout in the LANTERN building in Detroit.



Artist meeting at PASC Detroit Studio Services To Enhance Potential | 2023 Annual Report

PASC Studio Renovations and Buildings

In April we renovated the PASC Westland Studio to professionalize the studio and increase accessibility. The wall between our two studio spaces was removed allowing for artists and staff to flow freely between the two. Drywall was added around the room's circumference so walls can now be used for larger scale paintings and drawings, and to better display finished artwork. The ceilings were painted black, the walls gallery white, new dark tiles were laid over the floors, and lights were replaced with brighter and more energy efficient fixtures, improving the look and decreasing visual clutter. And an improved slop sink was installed for better cleaning of art equipment.



Rendering of future building LANTERN (9301 Kercheval) Courtyard and Public Alley, with the future PASC studio on the right. Copywriter OMA and Luxigon)

We also began the buildout of our future Detroit studio and gallery at the LANTERN building where we will move our Detroit studio in early 2024. This mixed-use art center is being developed as part of a new arts district on the Southeast side of Detroit by Library Street Collective. We are very excited to share this building with the co-anchor tenant the nonprofit print-making collective Signal Return, several restaurants, an additional gallery or cultural partner, as well as a second floor of artist studios. In addition to the PASC studio this move will establish PASC Detroit Gallery at LANTERN, as the first permanent gallery in Detroit dedicated to artists with disabilities. The location of the new studio and gallery will provide increased opportunities for inclusion of the disabled population with the general public, it will boost gallery sales, and place our studio/gallery amidst a destination neighborhood for art audiences, with neighboring art spaces like Library Street Collective's Shepherd cultural art center, Louis Buhl, Belle Isle Viewing Room, Pewabic Pottery, and other galleries soon relocating to this neighborhood.

What's Cooking at Step



Celebrating Culinary Excellence: What's Cooking at STEP!

We are thrilled to share some exciting news from our award-winning culinary program at STEP. Our talented team of culinary instructors and members have been making waves in the culinary community, showcasing their skills and creativity through a series of competitions.

At the 2022 Westland Holiday Taste Fest, our culinary masterminds stole the show by winning the coveted "Best Dish" award. STEP served up an unforgettable dish of BBQ Chicken Mac and Cheese. Their innovative creation left taste buds tingling and earned them well-deserved recognition from both judges and attendees alike.

Continuing our winning streak, What's Cooking at STEP achieved remarkable success at the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Black Tie Gala with their Elote Chicken Salad. Not only did they secure the "People's Choice" award, but they also claimed the title of "Best Appetizer". This marks the second consecutive year STEP has walked away with both awards. Recently, we had the pleasure of participating in the renowned Taste of Dearborn event, where we showcased a mouthwatering selection of cookies, Peanut Butter Butterfinger, Sprinkles and Gluten Free Sprinkles. The response from the patrons was overwhelming, and we couldn't be happier, we look forward to participating in the Taste of Deaborn event for years to come.

What's Cooking at STEP had the honor of providing catering services for the PASC Art opening at the Chop Loft in Detroit, Michigan. The guests were provided with a variety of classic charcuterie cups along with mini desserts. What's Cooking at STEP is looking to expand its catering opportunities which will provide our culinary class with hands-on employment training.

To date three of our culinary class participants have secured competitive community-based employment in local restaurants. What's Cooking at STEP is preparing to launch its advanced culinary classes. The class will be designed for individuals who aspire to pursue a career in culinary arts. This program will provide members with invaluable knowledge and hands-on experience. From the front of the house to the back of the house members will learn skills and techniques that will help them excel in their chosen culinary career path.

Our award-winning culinary program is dedicated to nurturing talent and fostering a passion for learning. Whether you're an aspiring chef or simply passionate about food, What's Cooking at STEP is here to guide our members toward achieving their goals.

Enhanced Learning

We are excited to share with you how we dedicated the entire month of February to learning, celebrating, and embracing Black History Month at the Detroit Resource Center. As an organization committed to fostering inclusivity and diversity, we believe it is essential to recognize and honor the rich contributions of African Americans throughout history. The staff took this opportunity to educate our members and ourselves to deepen our understanding of the significant impact made by Black individuals in shaping our society. Throughout the month of February, we held several discussions highlighting the achievements, struggles, and resilience of Black leaders in various fields. These discussions aimed to foster a greater appreciation for their contributions while promoting dialogue and unity within our community. At STEP we believe that diversity is not only to be acknowledged but celebrated. We aim to honor and appreciate the rich history of ethnicities that make up our STEP community. Let's celebrate diversity as a strength that brings us closer together!

"Healthy Mind, Healthy Body"

At STEP, we believe that taking care of both our physical and mental well-being is essential for a fulfilling and balanced life. We are committed to supporting our members and staff on their journey towards a healthier lifestyle. We are introducing Zumba classes as a weekly activity at our Western Wayne County Resource Center. Zumba is an energetic and fun-filled dance fitness program that combines Latin and international music with dynamic moves. It's a fantastic way to get your heart pumping, burn calories, and improve your overall fitness level. Our highly trained instructors will guide our members and staff through each session, ensuring that you have a blast while breaking a sweat. Zumba is suitable for all fitness levels, so whether you're a beginner or an experienced dancer, everyone can join in the fun! As we dance into the new year our goal is to expand these activities to all our facilities. We want every member of the STEP community to have access to opportunities for physical activity and mental well-being enhancement.

Expanding Horizon

As a commitment to growth and empowerment, we continue to utilize Open Future Learning, as we strive to provide our members with the tools needed to help them achieve their chosen goals with engaging content on a wide range of topics that are essential for enhancing the lives of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Open Future Learning modules incorporate interactive elements, case studies, quizzes, and real-life scenarios to enhance understanding. The modules provide valuable insights and practical knowledge on topics such as the principles of person-centered planning, learning effective strategies for understanding and managing challenging behaviors in a compassionate manner, and unlocking the potential within individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities by exploring supported employment opportunities which will aid in fostering independence and self-confidence.



A Year in Review from Community Relations Manager, Randy Sidebottom

Dream has been on the move and getting involved in the community. Our members have had many opportunities throughout the year.

We have volunteered at Meals on Wheels in Lincoln Park every week and have returned to cleaning the toys for the children at Southpointe Church to give the children an opportunity to play in a safe and clean environment. Last October, two of our members volunteered a Saturday of their time to pass out candy to the children at the Norwayne Fall Festivals.

Dream members participated in many activities that were fun, entertaining and a great learning experience. We did special outings just for fun that included: a fall color tour on the Huckleberry Railroad in Flint, The Motor City Comic Con in the Fall and Spring where members had the chance to meet celebrities such as Alice Cooper, Jamie Farr, Loretta Switt, Mick Foley, Tony Danza and Carl Weather, Special MJR movie days, Marvelous Marvins Mechanical Museum and many more.

Dream participated in outings that were geared towards learning, such as a tour of Civil Rights exhibit at The Henry Ford, a Saturday at Greenfield Village, Metro Park Nature museums and many other experiences.

Many members experienced their own personal growth while participating in Dream. Members learned social and interaction skills and how to personally handle their own money in the community.

We have also welcomed new members to the program. When they start at Dream, they are always welcomed by a long-time member who, along with the staff, gives them a very warm welcome. This welcoming committee tells them about the program and will sit with them and make them feel included from the very first day.

The staff and members who attend Dream are looking forward to another exciting year at STEP.



STEP Events



The 6th Annual STEPS to Success event was a huge success! We want to thank everyone who supported STEP through sponsorship, ticket sales, raffle prize donations and everything else in-between. This was our most successful fundraiser to date. These funds will bless the efforts of STEP in many ways.

During the event, we learned about the impact that STEP has on the individuals that we serve, the business community that we partner with and the community at large. We celebrated our 50th Anniversary as well as National Disability Employment Awareness Month. Alan Osborne, General Manager at The Henry Hotel, was our business partner speaker who talked about the importance of hiring those with disabilities and providing them with opportunities to further their life goals. STEP Member, James, spoke about his experience at STEP and working at The Henry Hotel. We showcased our business partners, had PASC artwork for sale where three pieces were sold, and enjoyed appetizers and desserts from the What's Cooking at STEP program. Lastly, we cheered on our fabulous models in the STEP Thrift Store Fashion Show.

Thank you again to everyone for making this a great event! Enjoy these photos from the evening. See you next year!



We had a wonderful time at our Strides for STEP 5k event on Saturday, May 20! Thank you to everyone who came out to step, run and stroll to support STEP's mission and programs. A big thank you to our event sponsors, The Dearborn Agency, Dutton Farm Inc., Bank of Ann arbor, First Merchants, and Dearborn Federal Savings Bank!

Congratulations to Scott for getting first place in the 5k!!

Year in Review















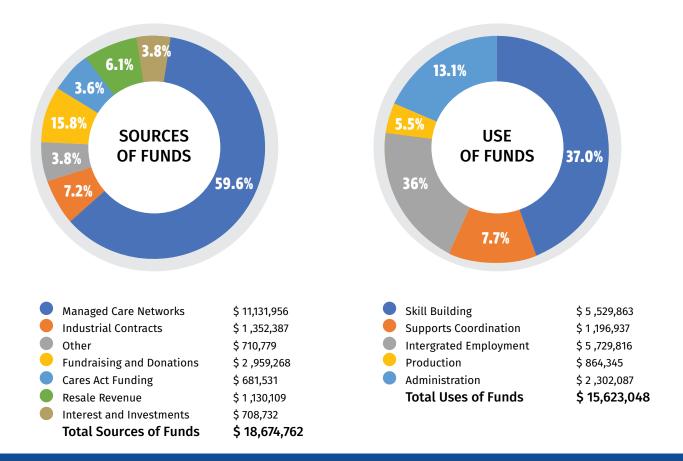






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Financials



Ways to Support STEP

Your donations to STEP help change lives and restore families. Monetary Donations are greatly appreciated.



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Outcome Measures

Our mission at STEP is to assist our members in pursuing their goals and reaching satisfaction within their lives. This means that it is important for us to measure both the quality of our services and the degree to which our efforts support our mission.

One of the best ways to measure this is via our outcome measure surveys. These are objective questionnaires that are completed anonymously on at least an annual basis. We then utilize the results to formulate key performance indicators in order to measure our success in various areas. Our 2023 outcomes are noted below:



good about the experiences their members have in the community.

of members surveyed feel that their Supports Coordinator listens to them when they have a problem.



Support Coordinator.

of members surveyed are satisfied with their Supported Employment

97% of Members with Job Placements Expressed Satisfaction and Maintained Employment Beyond 90 days.

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