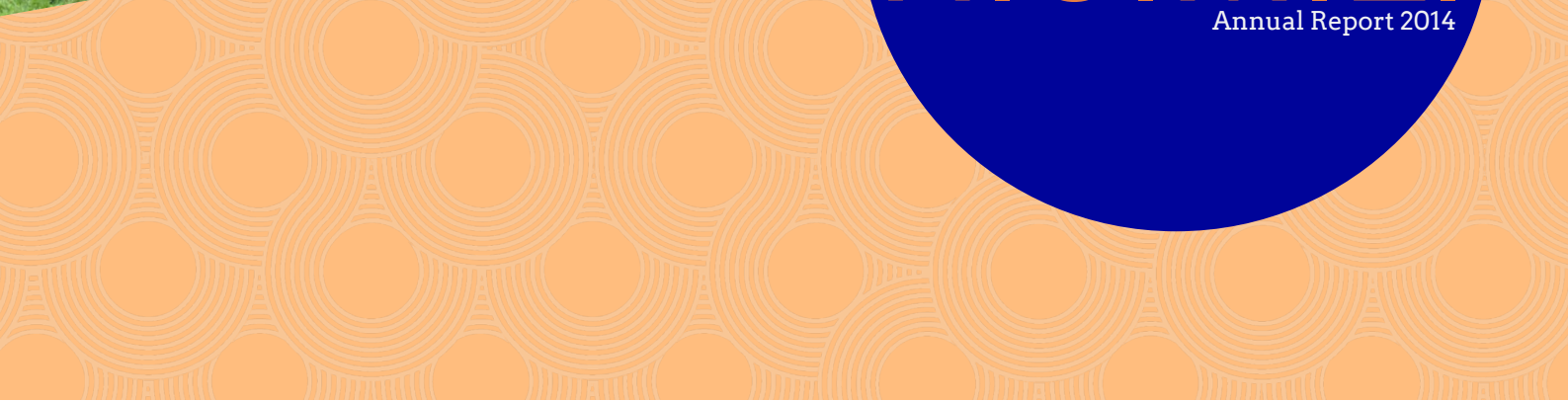




H.O.M.E.

Annual Report 2014





Thank you for another inspiring year. We appreciate your support, the faith you put in our staff and board and the passion you have for helping low-income seniors maintain their independence. It's been a wonderful year for many reasons:

- We restarted a Moving Program and once again we are the only organization in the City of Chicago that helps the elderly move
- We completed major renovations to the Shared Living floor at Nathalie Salmon House. We are grateful for our friends at International Furnishing and Design Association who provided significant financial help for this project
- We celebrated the 20th anniversary of the opening of Nathalie Salmon House and our founders Michel and Lilo Salmon joined us
- Nearly 50 of our friends participated in the Hunger Walk and raised about \$2,000 in credits to the Greater Chicago Food Depository

H.O.M.E. exists to help Chicago's low-income seniors maintain their independence by providing services unlike any organization in the City of Chicago. H.O.M.E. offers a home upkeep and repair service to ensure seniors enjoy healthy and safe living conditions. Our shopping bus assists seniors who have limited mobility or live in food deserts to access groceries, pharmacies and medical services that are essential to their well-being. H.O.M.E. also owns and manages three affordable buildings where seniors can choose between two styles of living – individual apartments or, for residents who need some assistance, shared living. H.O.M.E.'s moving program offers seniors support and assistance through one of life's most stressful events – moving from one home to another.

We hope that as you read this report you will feel proud of what H.O.M.E. has been able to accomplish with your support as volunteers, donors and friends.

Bruce A. Otto
Executive Director

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Board President



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Housing Opportunities & Maintenance for the Elderly



Meet Al.

Resident at Pat Crowley House

At 88 years old, Al's firm handshake is that of a man half his age. Al grew up in Chicago and remembers, "When I went to Lane Tech it was an all-boys school, meaning it was miserable." After serving in the Army, Al attended art school. While art is Al's passion, he made a living as a security officer. Then, after surgery over 15 years ago, Al entered a nursing home for rehab. Though he didn't need 24-hour care, Al found himself living in the nursing home for several years, a costly and unhappy experience. When he heard about H.O.M.E., Al moved into Pat Crowley House where he has his own room and shares meals and common areas with other residents ages 23 to 89. Al has now lived at Pat Crowley House for 11 years. He credits his new home and the people he's met with saving his life. He calls Caren, H.O.M.E.'s housing coordinator, a "saint" and bonds with volunteers, resident assistants, and other residents almost instantly. Al has stories for the ages, and we are lucky that he considers H.O.M.E. a part of his family.

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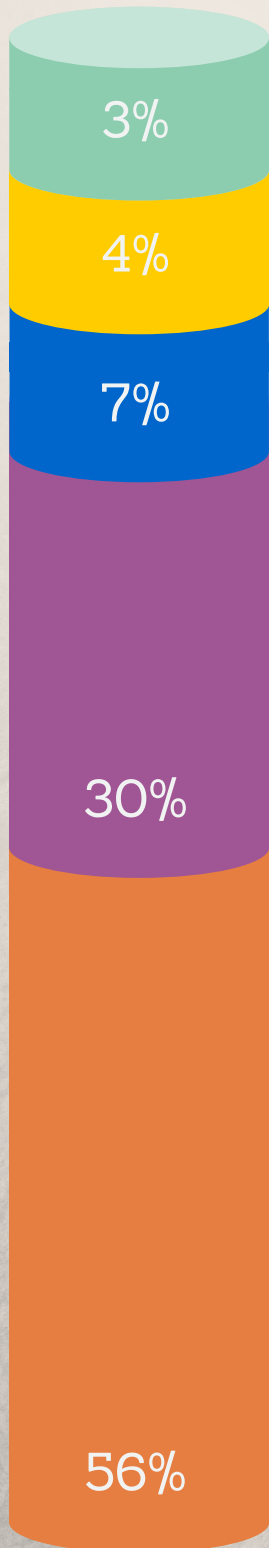
because of you... H.O.M.E. provided essential services to seniors in Chicago. Here are some highlights:



- Seniors were safe & warm during "Chiberia" due to **34 repaired furnaces & 35 weatherized homes**
- Older adults living in **35 buildings** in isolated areas or food deserts accessed healthy food
- **59 older adults and 27 younger adults and children** lived in affordable, quality housing communities

Program Activities & Expenses

% of expenses by program



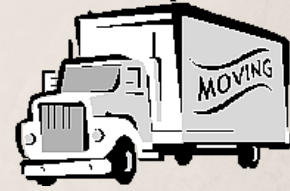
Volunteer

Over **500 volunteers** gave their time to help seniors stay safe and engaged in their communities.



Moving

The new moving program launched in April and assisted **32 seniors** with moves



Shopping Bus

The bus provided **3,572 trips** to grocery stores for seniors who live in food deserts or lack transportation to shop



Upkeep & Repair

Home Repair Specialists made **773 repairs**, of which **63% were emergencies**, in **256 senior homes**.



Intergenerational Housing

Three affordable buildings were home to a community ranging from **1 month to 91 years old**.



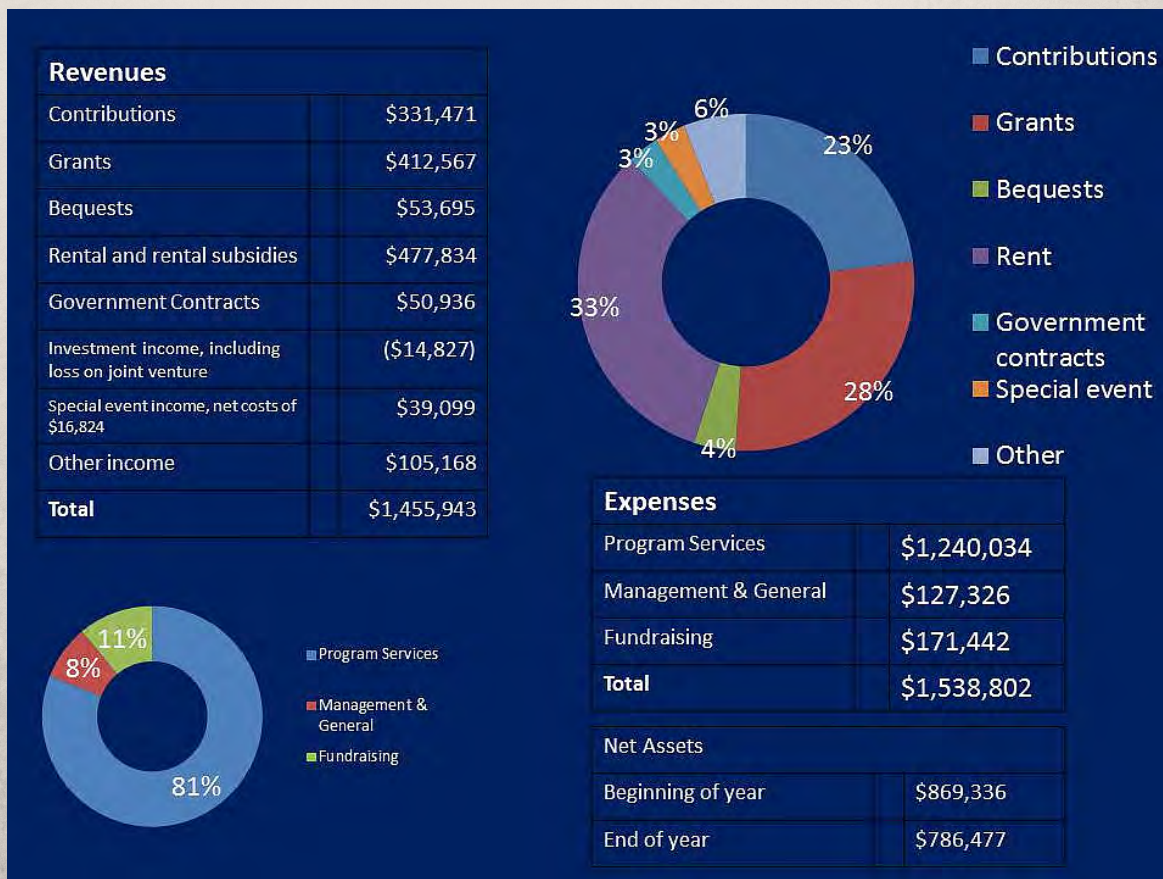
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Over 1,000 individual donors, foundations, and corporations contributed to H.O.M.E. in 2014. Your support helps us realize our mission to help seniors maintain their independence year after year. **Thank you for your continued support!**

You changed the lives

of seniors in Chicago

Our clients told us how H.O.M.E. impacted them through surveys and interviews...



"They are trustworthy. I feel freedom
.....
when H.O.M.E. comes in to
work for me."



"The service on the shopping bus
.....
rates a 10!"



"It was good to see young people
.....
willing to work and doing a
good job."



"I've been doing much better
.....
now that I'm here."



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Mission Statement

H.O.M.E. helps low-income seniors in Chicago maintain their independence by providing home upkeep and repair, a shopping bus, moving assistance, and three affordable, intergenerational buildings.