ws | Che Seattle Cimes | WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017 **Homeless** The Seattle Times AN INDEPENDENT, LOCALLY OWNED NEWSP 2016 ANNU on Tuesday.

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evictions was not if y available to the control of the control Julie Moore, spokeswoman for the Seattle Finance and Administrative Service Department, earlier this week. "What you have here are conditions that are inhumane for anyone to live in, Rodgers said Tuesday morning at the camp. "I have just never seen conditions like this in such a small, condensed area." fiving in."

City officials say The Field, on a state-owned greenbelt among the winding on- and offramps of Interstates 90 and 5, has become a significant threat to the health and safety of the people still living there.

Authorities have charged. sions to city stor-anup is expected 66 It's the only place the whole nine months where I've been able to keep a tent or any stuff without The newspaper's view someone stealing it." WHO'S IN THE TENTS? MIKE STEWART Resident of The Field USE HOMELESS SURVEY
TO FOCUS SPENDING neless his entire . He took a Grey Authorities have charged two men in connection with the rape and prostitution of several teen runaways who were allegedly held? a week.
Residents of the camp
argued that the delay would
allow them to create a govdensed area. nts of The Field homeless camp new survey of Seattle's homeless provides useful data for policymakers and voters. With Mayor Ed Murray pushing another property tax this year as Seattle carries out eviction to double spending on homelessness, voters should be particularly interested in the survey results. ACCEPT TEMPORARY SHELTER, OTHERS HEAD TO OTHER CAMP One finding is that just over half the surveyed homeless came from outside city limits. It found that 51.1 percent lived elsewhere when they lost their previous home. About 15 perce DAVID GUTMAN / SEATTLE TIMES Seattle police surround The Field homeless camp in Sodo Tuesday to begin evicting residents. to this proposed spending surge, after his promises to mprove outcomes and inrease accountability from nber, Seattle has only 10 percent of the state's popuservice providers. lation. Yet its residents and The city and county develbusinesses disproportionately oped a promising homeless pay for this regional crisis. plan last summer that was Blame for this arrangement supposed to bring efficiencies is shared. Seattle shows little and shelter to all. A consultant fiscal restraint, while regional said there's enough shelter cities, the state and federal capacity if only the system government aren't contributwere better managed. were better managed.

Murray said he needed another \$12 million to launch that plan and the City Council obliged in November. It increased homeless spending to around \$60 million, up 50 parcoant since 2015. For coming enough. Better data collection will help address funding imbal-ances and analyze whether money is well spent. Scarcity of data has made it difficult to Our mission is to alleviate the state of poverty of the state of the s leave the Sodo camp Tu h workers and moved i hunger, homelessness and addiction by providing community-based social services to those in need terms for an crack or methamphet-555 million yearly, the precise use of which will be amine. Many have mental

Message from the Board President and Executive Director

Dear Friends:

2016 was a year of transition, connection and plans put into action.

Last year the Board and staff commissioned a program review of the Hygiene Center to determine if the services provided there were the appropriate response to homelessness in the Cascade neighborhood. The Hygiene Center for years has provided showers, laundry, and a few hours rest for people living on the streets, in doorways and under freeway ramps. The Board implemented the recommendation to continue Hygiene services and hire Shawna McMahon, formerly of the Mental Health Chaplaincy, to provide individualized case management services to our hardest to reach clients. Later in this report you will see the fruits of her labors (and the Board's investment) in some astounding successes, including housing clients who have spent up 30 years on the streets. Next year the Board and staff will examine the Food Bank program to examine what more we can do the feed hungry people in this blessed neighborhood.

Immanuel Community Services continued its work in the neighborhood by co-founding CPAC – the Cascade Park Activation Committee. CPAC applied for and won a grant from the Downtown Seattle Association to bring activities like outdoor movies and giant chess games to Cascade Park. Acting on the suggestion of one of our Hygiene participants, Patty and Shawna worked with the YMCA/ Cascade People Center, the Salvation Army and the Seattle Human Services Department to organize an emergency shelter to serve our homeless neighbors. Though the shelter did not open due to a technical issue, our work together demonstrated that people who are homeless know what they need and can truly participate in these solutions when offered the opportunity to work with supportive neighbors.

And finally we had to bid a fond farewell as three of our wonderful staff put their personal life-plans into action. Will Maier, our Food Bank manager and Reise Sample, executive assistant, moved east for graduate school; and Patty Turnberg RETIRED! Needless to say these have been big changes but Patty prepared us well. Before leaving Patty hired Casey Hobbs and Michael Disney to run the Food Bank and Grocery Rescue, Megan Stevenson to oversee the details of our fundraising events and asked Kiser to step in as Interim Executive Director.

On behalf of the Board and Staff we thank you for your support, your enthusiasm and your prayers. You will see program statistic and highlights of our year but what we most want you to take away from this Annual Report is our gratitude for your advocacy, volunteer time and financial support. The work of ICS is truly a blessing. And so are you.

Sincerely,

Kevin Johnsen

Board President

MJ Kiser

Executive Director

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Left to Right: Diakonda Gurning, Jonathan Nichols, Kevin Johnsen, Siri Quigley, Anders Thomas, Jewell Tice, Addison Smith, Noelle Smithhart, and Paul Ehrlich

(picture credit: Diakonda Gurning)

ICS Staff

MJ Kiser, Executive Director
Shawna McMahon, Program Director
Casey Hobbs, Food Bank Manager
Dave Saluskin, Hygiene Coordinator
Terrence Lewis, Recovery Program Coordinator
Jameson Jones, Development & Communications Associate
Michael Disney, Grocery Rescue
Janet Watness, Community Lunch Coordinator
Ann Adam, Bookkeeper

Immanuel Community Services Statement of Financial Activities—2016

January through December

Income

Contributions

Individuals	115,639
Corporate Contributions	17,585
Foundation/Non-profit Contributions	
ILC Ministries Annual Grant	18,000
Immanuel Endowment Fund	7,000
Food Resource Network	3,306
Other Foundation/Funds	31,961
Total Contributions	193,492
Government Grants/Contributions	
City of Seattle Hygiene Grant	20,325
City of Seattle Recovery Grant	44,068
Total Government Grants/Contributions	64,393
Other Income	
Gain/(Loss) from Investments	6,103
Investments	475
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,200
Total Other Income	7,779
Total Support and Revenue	265,664

Expenses

Program

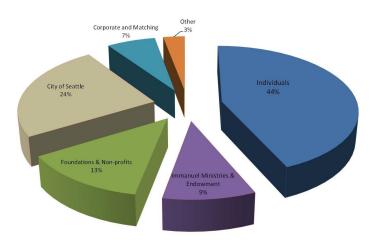
Income over Expenses

Recovery	44,251
Hygiene	54,110
Food Bank	42,450
Hygiene Case Management	44,937
Community Lunch	9,883
Fundraising	44,062
Management & General	75,681
Total Expenses	315,375

(49,711)

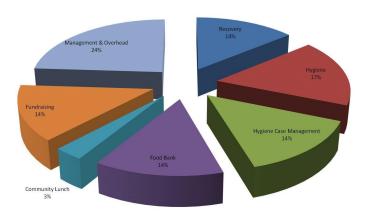
Revenue Breakdown:

- 44% Individuals
- 9% ILC Ministries
- 13% Foundations & Non-profits
- 24% City of Seattle
- 7% Corporate & Matching Gifts
- 3% Other



Expenses Breakdown:

- 14% Recovery
- 17% Hygiene
- 14% Hygiene Case Management
- 14% Food Bank
- 3% Community Lunch
- 14% Fundraising
- 24% Management/Overhead



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HYGIENE CENTER

Dave Saluskin, Hygiene Center Coordinator Shawna McMahon, Program Director

This year our Hygiene Center has seen profound growth, not only in the number of people served but the number of services provided. In 2016, we served 486 unduplicated people. These are unique unsheltered individuals who come to ICS to take a **shower**, do their **laundry**, enjoy a meal and find **respite** from the weather for a few hours.

Many of those guests enter daily and see the Hygiene Center as the first stop in their day. After rising they come to ICS to shower, shave, cut their hair, wash laundry and address other

personal needs. Some guests sit at a table and do art with a volunteer; some guests roll out their sleeping bags/blankets and take advantage of the warm dry space to sleep for a few hours; some guests read books, while others sit in a circle to converse – similar to the way families gather at the end of their day at the dining room table. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage

these chronically homeless participants in enhanced case management.

Types of Supportive Services at the Hygiene Center:

- Drop-in Nurse twice a month
- Mental Health Outreach every two weeks
- On-site health testing (HIV, Hepatitis C, etc) quarterly
- ORCA Card sign-ups monthly
- Flu Shots
- Dental Services monthly



This year, we have also implemented some broader supportive services to help our Hygiene Guests. With an average length of time in homelessness of 17 years, many of our clients spend all of their day just simply trying to survive. By bringing some of the

supportive services to them, it helps make it easier and for our guest to consider **taking steps to make changes**.

As available resources allow, we also try to provide events, celebrations and activities for the guests. For example, a sit-down home-cooked Thanksgiving meal; a Halloween Party with decorations, games and treats; a "Blue Friday" pizza party with football decorations; special Latin American Independence Day(s) Celebration with decorations, culturally representative food, etc.

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Janet Watness, Community Lunch Coordinator

Approximately 1,500 meals were prepared and served by ICS volunteers through this program in 2016.

On the last Sunday of every month, Immanuel opens its doors and serves a nutritious **hot lunch** prepared by Janet Watness and the many volunteers who offer to help. We typically serve about 175 neighbors

each month, with members of the Immanuel con-

gregation sitting down together with our broader community for this monthly meal.

It is a good time for **community-building** and breaking bread together. Much of the food is donated, but some food is purchased each month to create a balanced meal. We are able to bring South Lake Union together, filling bellies with big portions of nourishing food and a dash of love.



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FOOD BANK

Casey Hobbs, Food Bank Manager

Food – Empty cupboards/Empty bellies



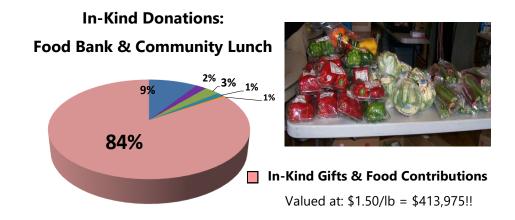
Look around and it's easy to see that Seattle is a growing vibrant community. But what you don't see is how many of our neighbors are experiencing hunger. Did you know that one out of every seven people in King County doesn't know where their next meal will come from? With the exception of our homeless community, **hunger is invisible.** Many families, seniors, people with disabilities and low-income wage earners are unable to eat even two meals a day.

One in five citizens in King County relies on a food bank. With 3,715 visits to our **FOOD BANK,** we filled the cupboards and lunch boxes of over 300 households each month. We also operate a Grocery Rescue, collecting food from neighboring grocery stores and distributing it to some of our hungry neighbors including residents of Compass on Dexter, Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, and the Pete Gross House.



- 275,983 pounds of food were donated
- 3,715 visits were recorded and many took home food for other family members
- 2,702 hours of volunteer labor operationalized the FOOD BANK

Our food partners include Food Lifeline, Northwest Harvest, Trader Joe's West Seattle, Whole Foods Westlake, Metropolitan Market Queen Anne, Bon Apetite/Amazon, friends at The Mirabella, the Seattle Times, and members of Immanuel Lutheran Church.



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RECOVERY PROGRAM

Terrence Lewis, Recovery Program Coordinator

From Street Life to Housing



While Seattle continues to face huge homelessness crises, ICS's unique Recovery Program and Shelter offers homeless men an opportunity to live in our

- 36 men participated in our Shelter Program in 2016.
- 13 men moved into stable housing.

supportive shelter and while receiving Intensive Outpatient Services from the Matt Talbot Center. Overcoming addiction is incredibly hard and some of the residents don't graduate from the program. When they are ready, we warmly welcome those who might want to repeat the program.

Part of the ICS Recovery Program and Shelter includes mentoring these men in life skills. From house management, time management to grocery shopping and cooking healthy meals! We want our men to have the tools to succeed independently.

However, many succeed and move into stable housing, find work, reconnect with family and lead happy productive lives. Our shelter provides food, laundry facilities, beds and bedding, and lots of love from members of Immanuel Lutheran Church, staff, neighbors and volunteers from Union Church. It's a highly successful program and con-

tinues to provide hope to those who enter our doors

looking for help and are working hard to recover from drug and alcohol addictions.





Special Thanks

Thank You Boeing Employees Fund

Our New Van
Grocery Rescue, Field Trips and
Moving People into Housing!



2016 Annual Benefit Breakfast

2016 Events

Pete Holmes, Seattle City Attorney, and Recovery Program Graduate, Gabe: 2016 Guest Speakers.





1st Annual Putt Putt Golf Tournament!





Team Hufflepuff Putts for ICS!



Teams Peanut Putter Cups and Jewell's Team 2...take home the trophy!





YOU can make a difference.

Immanuel Community Services has multiple volunteer opportunities where individuals and/ or groups can match their talents with the community's needs. Visit www.icsseattle.org for opportunities and consider one of the following:

ORGANIZE a hygiene drive, a food bank drive, putt-putt team or a fundraiser with your family, friends and co-workers.

VOLUNTEER to come help with our food bank or community lunch.

FORM A BREAKFAST OR SUPPER CLUB TEAM – If you can provide the volunteers and the food, we can provide you with the use of our kitchen and many hungry mouths to feed. Come early and serve breakfast in the Hygiene Center or come mid-afternoon and cook for and dine with the men in our Recovery Program Shelter.

MAKE A GIFT – We always welcome your financial gifts. You may donate online at **www.icsseattle.org**, by phone by calling 206-622-1930 or by mailing a check!

WANT TO LEARN MORE?

We are happy to provide you with a tour of our programs, all located in Immanuel Lutheran Church. Call to arrange a tour at (206) 622-1930. We welcome your interest.

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