

ANNUAL REPORT

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We are pleased to present the **Deaconess Nurse Ministry 2016 Annual Report**. Within this report are important details on ways our work has significantly helped improve the health of individuals and families throughout St. Louis. This report is also a tribute to our donors and important foundations who have continually made our work possible in the 30 communities our nurses serve daily.

In 2016, our organization completed a rebrand from Deaconess Faith Community Nurse Ministries to Deaconess Nurse Ministry. This change proclaimed that although our nurses organize in over 30 communities across the St. Louis region, we're still one collective ministry that focuses on bringing quality, holistic care to people in need. We've never felt more definite toward our mission in providing everyone access to quality health care. Quality care is a right and something all people deserve.

We're very excited about the work our nurses continue to do and the outcomes that we witness. In times of uncertainty, our nurses have become stability to many that feel resources are scarce and that compassion from others is dwindling.

Our work is critical to the success of our Region, and we feel blessed to serve others the way that we do.



OUR MISSION

TO IMPROVE AND PROMOTE THE HEALTH OF BODY, MIND, SPIRIT AND COMMUNITY THROUGHOUT THE ST. LOUIS REGION.

MINISTRY

WILLIE'S STORY

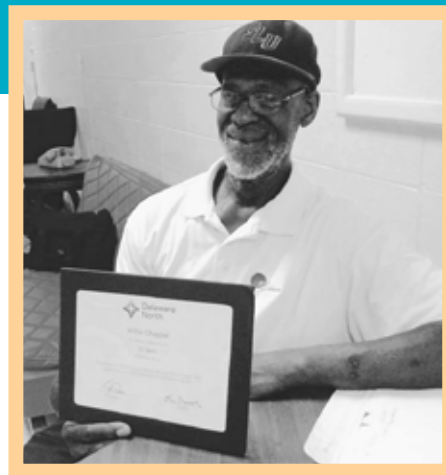
Worked with Reta Kirk, RN at Trinity Episcopal Church

In August 2015, Faith Community Nurse, Reta Kirk RN, met Willie at Trinity Episcopal Church in the Central West End neighborhood. At the time, Willie was coming to the church for food that was offered at the on-site pantry. He was also in need of basic health monitoring services because he didn't have access to medical care.

In their early encounters, Willie told Reta about a sequence of misfortunes that led him to financial and housing instability. He also discussed various health issues he was experiencing and the negative impact they were making. The combination of these trials made daily living tough on Willie.

Through the struggles, Willie regularly met with Reta, and quickly she was able to provide him a medical referral to get him established with a healthcare provider. Reta and Willie also began discussing scripture, and he started writing stories and poems based on his Biblical learnings. Because of Reta's work, things had turned around for Willie by the summer of 2016.

We celebrate Willie and his hard work and sincerely thank Reta Kirk for the strong personal advocate she continues to be for him.



LOCATIONS WHERE FAITH COMMUNITY NURSES SERVE

Cape Albeon

Valley Park, MO

St. Mark Lutheran

Belleville, IL

St. Paul United Church of Christ

Lebanon, IL

Uni-Pres Kindercottage

East St. Louis, IL

Salam Free Medical Clinic at St. Peters Evangelical United Church of Christ

Ferguson, MO

Esse Healthcare

St. Louis County

Ascension Episcopal Church Food Pantry

North St. Louis City, MO

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

South St. Louis City, MO

Memorial Blvd. Disciples of Christ

North St. Louis City, MO

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Food Pantry

North St. Louis City, MO

Episcopal Church of the Advent, SAJE Ministry

Sappington, MO

Mary Mother of the Catholic Church

Oakville, MO

Mercy Health Systems

St. Louis and Jefferson Counties

Gateway Wellness Network

St. Louis County

St. Augustine - Wellston Center

Pine Lawn, MO

St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

South St. Louis City, MO

St. Peters United Church of Christ

Granite City, IL

Hillsboro Food Pantry

Hillsboro, MO

Arnold Food Pantry

Arnold, MO

Feed My People

High Ridge, MO

St. Paul United Church of Christ

South St. Louis City, MO

Sarah Community (St. Andrew's)

Bridgeton, MO

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Maplewood, MO

Trinity Episcopal Food Pantry

St. Louis, MO

Pilgrim United Church of Christ Feeding Program

St. Louis, MO

Bridge of Hope Breakfast Program

North St. Louis, MO

St Peters Evangelical United Church of Christ

Ferguson, MO

Immanuel United Church of Christ

Ferguson, MO

Christ Lutheran Church

Webster Groves, MO

St. Cronan's Catholic Church Food Pantry

St. Louis, MO

Main Street Church

St Charles, MO

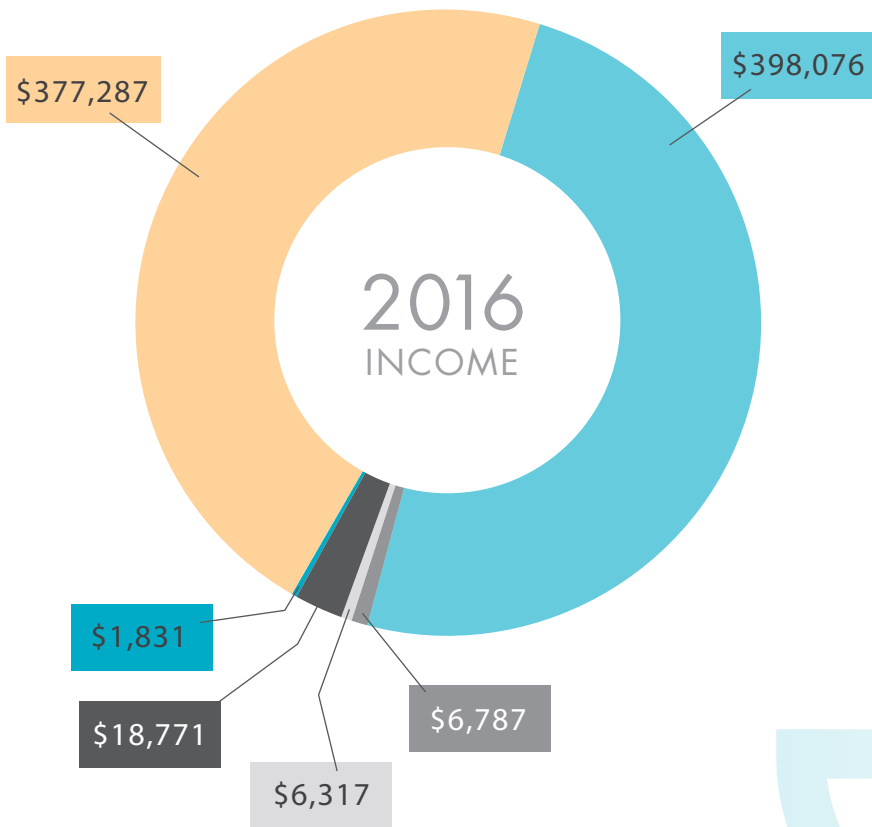
Ville Teresa, Sisters of the Most Precious Blood

O'Fallon, MO

Central Reform Congregation (Jewish)

St. Louis, MO

FINANCIALS



INCOME

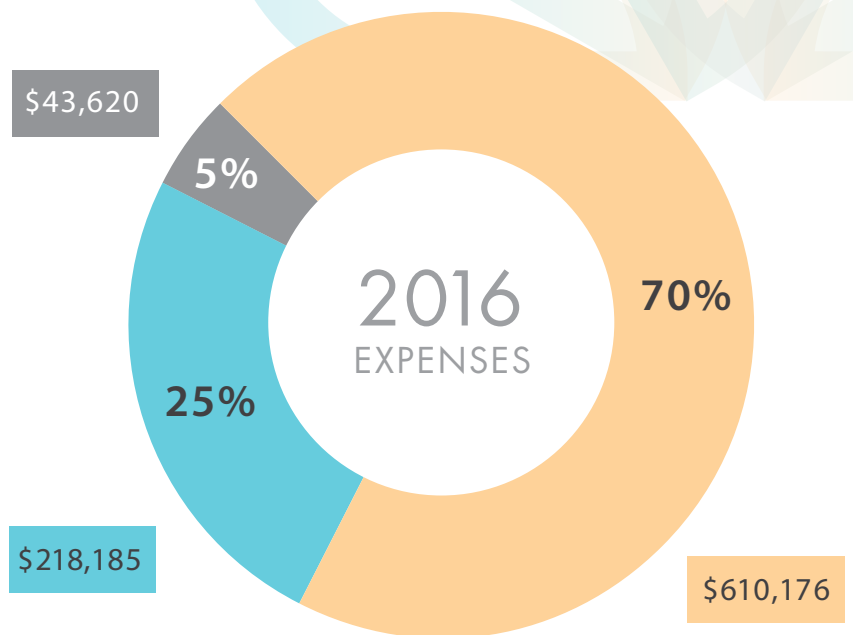
\$805,407

- Grants
- Church Reimbursements
- Investment Income
- Misc. Income
- Contributions/In Kind Gifts
- Realized Unreal Loss

EXPENSES

\$871,981

- Program Expenses
- Administration
- Fundraising



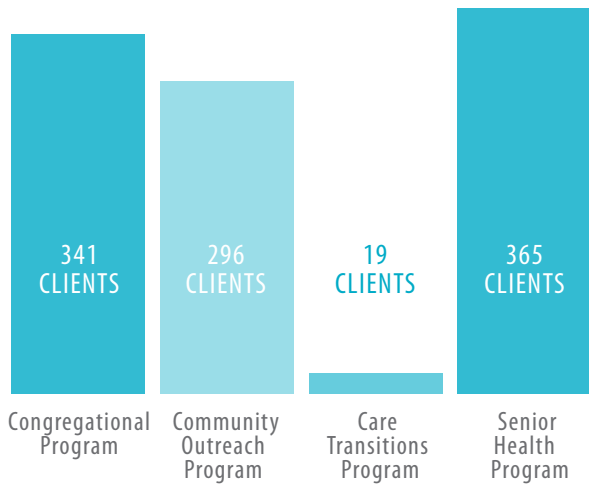
ASSETS

\$521,120
at the start of the year

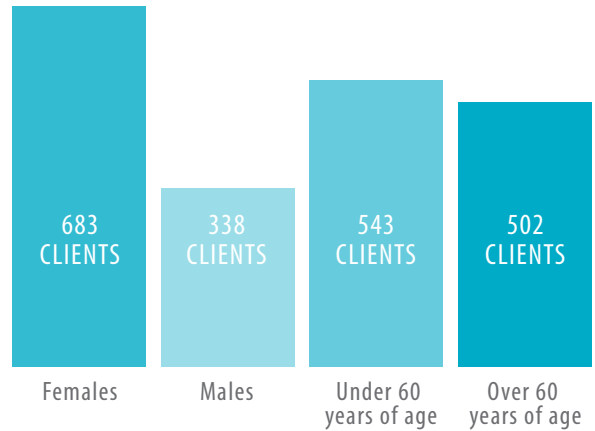
\$479,028
at the end of the year

INFORMATION & OUTCOMES

HOW WE SERVED IN 2016



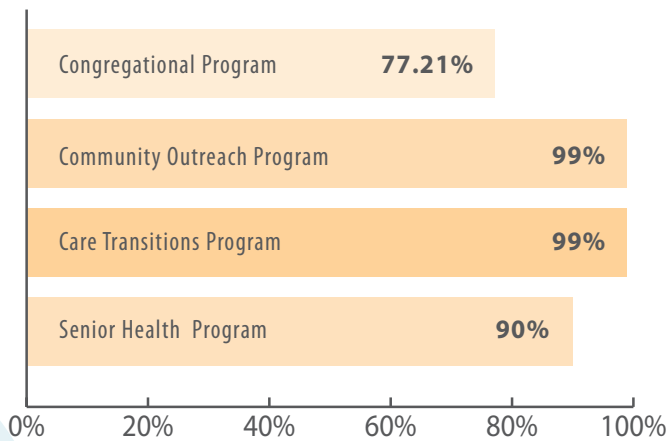
WHO WE SERVED IN 2016



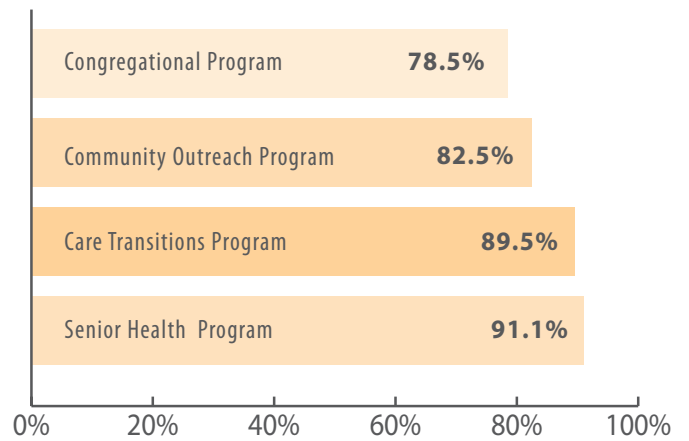
AGENCY TOTAL: CLIENTS
1,021

MINORITY, NON-WHITE
50.40%

KNOWLEDGE OF CHRONIC DISEASE VERBALIZED ONCE TAUGHT



KNOWLEDGE AND COMPLIANCE OF MEDICATIONS ONCE EDUCATION IS COMPLETE



AGENCY TOTAL
91.3%

AGENCY TOTAL
85.4%



Patients served had reduced
blood pressure levels

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her 90th birthday**
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MEET SR. EVELYN PETERMAN

**Worked with Rev. Victoria Brown, RN
at Naomi House at Sarah Community**

Faith Community Nurse, Rev. Victoria Brown, RN, serves the Naomi House at The Sarah Community in Bridgeton. Each day, she meets with senior residents, and at each interaction, she aspires to help them maintain their independence for as long as possible. She also helps them to stay active and engaged with life so that their years can be happy and healthy.

Sr. Evelyn Peterman is a resident and met frequently with Vicky in 2016. She is in her mid-80's and has had a storied career serving as a nurse and Catholic Nun. She has served in multiple health care capacities, including her role as the first Pharmacist at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and later as a nurse in Kenya. However, her mission visit in Kenya ended abruptly when her fellow Franciscan Sisters were brutally murdered in the home they inhabited. This experience became extremely traumatizing for Sr. Peterman.

Recognizing her past, Vicky worked with Sr. Peterman to accept the trauma in her life and combat her frightening thoughts by continuing to express her loving spirit to others. Vicky helped further Sr. Peterman's commitment to loving and serving others by enrolling her in the OASIS Volunteer Program - a literacy development program that pairs her with a student at Holy Spirit Catholic School.

Sr. Peterman's work keeps her strong, energetic and healthy; and Vicky's listening ears and proactive guidance ensures she'll be able to help others for as long as possible.



Rev. Victoria Brown, RN and Sr. Evelyn Peterman

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