



NEW BEGINNINGS THROUGH HOUSING

2008 ANNUAL REPORT





From the Director

I would like to start by saying thank-you.

Thank you for helping us in our work to provide new beginnings to men who may not have thought it possible.

Thank you for continuing to provide financial support. Our overall income for 2008 was near the 2007 level and we are grateful for that although just like you, our expenses continue to rise.

Thanks also to the board of directors and staff who are committed to this program and the men we serve.

2008 was a very busy year, as you will see in the highlights, we served a total of 40 men last year. Fifteen of those men obtained permanent housing. For most this will be the end of a revolving door that included incarceration, social services, homelessness and addiction.

Forty men is a large number; but unfortunately the need is much larger. While those forty men had an opportunity to reclaim their lives, 568 were turned away for no bed space.

In light of this great need United Ministries continues to explore options and opportunities and is actively seeking a suitable property in which to develop affordable permanent housing.

There are so many individuals, congregations and organizations that provide support and you can find them listed in the Friends and Supporters on pages 5 and 6. We would like

to lift up a few on this page.

During the holidays these folks shopped for and wrapped gifts so that all of the men would have a happier holiday season. Anne Cotten, Lois Carrigan, Marcia Conlin, Grace United Church of Christ (UCC), Carol & Tom Hoffman, Ron & Maria Lefrancois, Susan Meyers, Cindy Neff, Rev. Cathy Oatman, St. Mark's UCC, Jim Sanford and Jill & Doug White.

First & St. Stephen's UCC continued their tradition of purchasing all the household items to set up a resident in his own apartment.

Sponsors for the 2009 Resolution Run were:

Canton Club Health & Fitness
 Central Atlantic Conference, UCC
 Chesapeake Association, UCC
 First & St. Stephen's UCC
 The Grasmick Family, Nancy, Grant & Lou
 Tom Hoffman, CLU, ChFC, IAR
 Immanuel UCC
 Scott Kreger, Ferris, Baker Watts;
 David Martz, Long & Foster Real Estate
 Patterson Park Baptist Church
 Post Pro Digital Media
 St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church
 Underground Wheel Company
 United Evangelical UCC, and
 Walden University.

A special thanks to Robert Olsen, chair of the event, Tony, Earl and Luke who manned the kitchen and served up the delicious brunch of chili and cornbread and to those who donated cookies!

Stay tuned and once again thank you for your continued support.

Sheila

Who We Are

United Ministries, a faith and community-based 501(c) (3) nonprofit, was incorporated in 1993 and is a recognized mission of the United Church of Christ. This project was the vision of Rev. Eugene Bartell, former pastor of First United Evangelical United Church of Christ and several persons who volunteered at The Supper Club, a feeding program at the church. The name United Ministries was chosen to exemplify a broad-based community organization consisting of both secular and ecumenical groups.

Earl's Place, the first project of United Ministries, opened in 1997 and is named for Earl Johnson, who, before his death was involved both as a client and a volunteer at The Supper Club. United Ministries, through Earl's Place, provides housing and supportive services to men who are homeless.



FYI 2008 Special points of interest

- Forty men were provided with housing; 568 were turned away for no bed space.
- Twenty-two men entered the program in 2008; of those:
- Eighteen were chronically homeless
- Sixteen were between 31 and 50 years old, two were between 18 and 30 and four were between 51 and 61
- Two were veterans
- Nineteen were diagnosed with mental illness,
- All reported drug abuse; six also reported alcohol abuse
- Eleven had no income when entering the program
- Of the twenty-two who left in 2008, eleven were employed, 9 had monthly incomes of more than \$1,000 and fifteen moved into permanent housing.

HAPPENINGS



RESOLUTION RUN

January 1, 2009 was sunny, but brisk. It was also the date for the annual **New Year's Resolution Run** and hundreds of runners and walkers joined us for a fun afternoon. Diane Denis, one of the participants wrote, *"I have run this race for the past 4 years. It is my favorite for several reasons. It is for a good cause. It has the BEST*

post-race lunch in a nice warm and cozy church hall which makes socializing with other runners enjoyable. If that isn't enough, the friendly men of Earl's Place serving the lunch add to the reasons why I enjoy the race so much. They did a wonderful job and everything was delicious. A great way to start the New Year.!"

HOME AGAIN! DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION

Ronald Lefrancois was the recipient of the 2008 Home Again! Recognition Award.

Ron and his wife, Maria, have been contributing financially and delivering furniture and other items from Washington, D.C. since 2003.

Ron has made at least a dozen trips with loads of furniture, household items, etc. When he couldn't fit everything in his vehicle, he either recruited his neighbor to help or in one case he even rented a truck!

Ron and Maria, have also been generous with financial donations, adopting residents for the holidays and even donating Orioles tickets with spending money so the men could get something to eat! Ron is one example of our many wonderful supporters and by honoring him we are honoring all of you!



FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS

\$10,000 AND OVER

Baltimore Sun Charities
DHCD/CFAP
The Friendly Inn
Marion I. & Henry J.
Knott Foundation
Zanvyl & Isabelle Krieger
Fund

\$5,000—\$9,999

Baltimore City Foundation
Fred & Alison Lohr
Walden University
Jill & Doug White

\$1,000—\$4,999

Chesapeake Association
UCC
Combined Federal Charity
Campaign
Federal Emergency
Management Assistance
Ferris Baker, Watts, LLC
First & St. Stephen's UCC
Goldseker Foundation
Louis Grasmick Family
Thomas Henninger
Tom & Carol Hoffman
Immanuel United Church
of Christ (UCC)
Ronald & Maria
Lefrancois
John J. Leidy Foundation
Walter G. Lohr, Jr.
Steven & Donna Owlett
Ravens Roost No. 69
Security
St. John's UCC

\$500—\$999

Central Atlantic
Conference, UCC
Combined Charity
Campaign
Marcia Conlin
W. Gary Dorsch
Walter Lohr
Post Pro Digital Media
LLC
Johnny & Shirley Ramsey
St. Paul's UCC
State of Maryland Emer-
gency Food Assistance
Tressa Strudwick
United Evangelical UCC
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Maryland
\$250—\$499
Rev. Eugene & Karen
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Mardella Gillespie
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\$100—\$249

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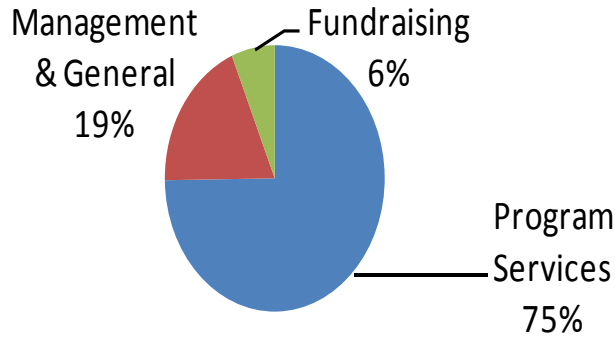
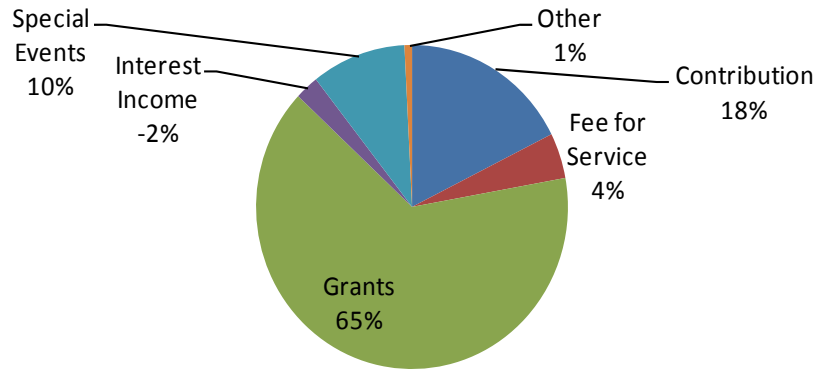
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* **Visionary**
 (former or current resident)

REVENUE & SUPPORT

unaudited

Contribution	\$43,216.00
Fee for Service	\$11,132.00
Grants	\$159,246.00
Interest Income	-\$6,014.00
Special Events	\$24,065.00
Other	\$1,899.00
	\$233,544.00



Program Services	\$214,535.00
Management & General	\$54,067.00
Fundraising	\$18,263.00
	\$286,865.00

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Mission Statement

United Ministries is a housing and social justice organization dedicated to assisting homeless men who want to change their lives, and to changing community attitudes about the homeless.

Vision Statement

United Ministries is an organization that stands as a source of hope and change in the Baltimore community. Through successful partnerships homelessness will be reduced in both its magnitude and severity, as all people are treated with dignity and have access to both the services and housing that they and their families need.

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Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)	73564
Maryland Charity Campaign (MCC)	1330
Combined Charity Campaign (CCC)	6057