Throughout our history of serving Kansas City’s poor and homeless, our desire has always been to help those struggling with little chances develop a relationship with God and ultimately become stable and contributing members of our community. While our mission statement rarely needs “fine-tuning,” how we fulfill that directive on an almost daily basis is the number of individuals seeking our assistance continues to grow, as does the scope of the burdens and hardships that confront them.

Our leadership team and I continually observe the community around them and listening to the voices of our neighbors to identify emerging barriers to their independence and develop strategies to help overcome them. That means being proactive in re-prioritizing our resources and redirecting our strategies to meet the spiritual, physical and emotional needs of those we serve.

While grateful to know we’re not alone in these efforts. Your gifts allow us to respond as God calls us, and in this Annual Report, we highlight a few of our facilities and programs your partnership makes possible.

We’re honored you’ve placed your trust in our ministry, and we pray you’ll continue to stand alongside us, as together, we impact our community.

For the glory,
Executive Director Dan Doty

A SPECIAL CALL FOR COMPASSION

At 60 years old, Mr. Sebastian has suffered four strokes that impaired his vision, and he is on a walker to move about. Originally from Jamaica, he has no family nearby to offer support. A resident of our Men’s Emergency Shelter, he works a special detail at the security desk in return for the assurance of regular meals, a warm bed and basic medical care. He completed our Christian Life Program but says he has a difficult time remembering what he has learned because of the strokes. He finds peace in our Christ-centered environment and has become a valued and trusted friend to the shelter guests and staff.

“Mr. Sebastian has been an outstanding person to have around,” says Rev. Craig Cowell, Men’s Ministries Director. “He has a heart for God and even though he may not remember much of what he learned in the Christian Life Program, he does practice what he taught – the foundation of how to live a Christ-like life. Even through his struggles, he never wavered from the path.”

This page contains a testimonial of a man who has been helped by the City Union Mission and highlights the importance of continued support for programs like the Christian Life Program.
A benefit for City Union Mission’s services to homeless and underprivileged women and families

While our 2016 honorees couldn’t be more different in upbringing and backgrounds, they share a dedication for bettering the lives of others that has had a profound and positive impact on our Kansas City community.

After retiring from the business world in the early 90s, Virginia McCoy applied her tireless work ethic as she forged a new career as a “professional volunteer.” She is a sustaining member of the Junior League and sits on The Salvation Army Foundation board and the Park University board of trustees. She has also held advisory and fundraising roles for institutions like Children’s Mercy Hospital and St. Luke’s North Hospital.

Currently CEO and president of the Central Exchange, CiCi Rojas grew up in the Argentine neighborhood of Kansas City, Kansas, where she embraced the virtues of teamwork, discipline and respect, and was inspired to give back to others. Formerly vice president of community engagement for Truman Medical Centers and President/CEO of the Greater Kansas City Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, she also plays a role in a number of civic organizations.

Drawing on her own passion for education, Gloria Willis has devoted her life to ensuring children in the Kansas City Kansas School District have every opportunity to achieve their goals and dreams. Beginning her career as a second-grade teacher, she has served the district for more than 40 years in a variety of leadership roles including board president, and she is currently beginning her 20th year as a well-known and respected member of the board.

For details, including individual tickets and table sponsorship information, visit womenwhochange.org. We’re grateful for your partnership and support.

2015 SERVICES AT A GLANCE

- Beds Provided: 155,173
- Meals Served: 250,144
- Patients Seen at Medical Services: 11,619
- Chapel Service Attendance: 87,405
- Salutations and Rededications: 580
- Kids at Camp: 624
- Individually Requesting Shelter through Hotline for the Homeless: 11,243

MINISTRY EXPENSE

- Programs: $11,556,599 (81.7%)
- Development: $1,589,403 (11.2%)
- General Administration: $1,002,821 (7.1%)
- Miscellaneous: $134,878 (0.76%)
- Receiving Center: $2,697,221 (16.29%)
- In-kind Gifts: $2,867,332 (15.33%)
- Contributions: $602,671 (3.42%)
- Investments: $134,878 (0.76%)

FUNDING SOURCES

- Contributions: 64.20%
- In-kind Gifts: 15.33%
- Development: 11.2%
- General Administration: 7.1%
- Miscellaneous: 0.76%
- Receiving Center: 16.29%
- Contributions + In-kind Gifts: 81.47%

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- Miscellaneous: $134,878 (0.76%)
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- Contributions + In-kind Gifts: $14,162,321 (81.47%)

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2015 ANNUAL REVENUE INCLUDING BEQUESTS

- FY 2015: $17,597,091
- FY 2014: $15,889,647
- FY 2013: $13,746,076

2015 TOTAL ASSETS

- FY 2015: $34,129,439

Revenue and expense analysis collected in an independent audit by Clifton Gunderson LLP. Visit cityunionmission.org for complete 2015 ministry statistics and audited financial statements.

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Mission Statement

City Union Mission is an evangelical Christian ministry committed to sharing the Gospel and meeting the spiritual, physical and emotional needs of men, women, and children who are poor or homeless.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

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