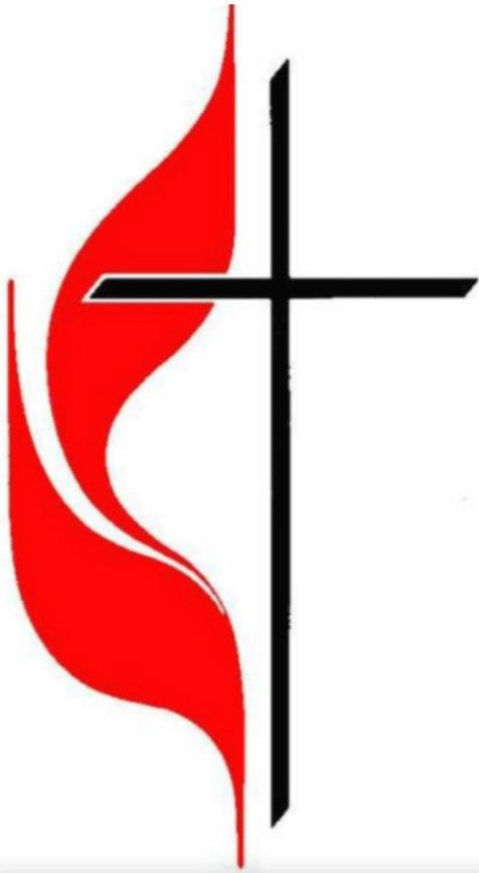




DUMAS WESLEY
community center

2015 Annual Report



**United
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United Way
of Southwest Alabama



SERVING THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1903

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The Dumas Wesley Community Center (DWCC) was founded in 1903 by the United Methodist Women and has been serving the community for over 113 years. DWCC originally started its mission work by serving poor women and children who worked in the cotton mills of the Crichton neighborhood in Mobile, Alabama. Over the years DWCC evolved to become a multi-service center meeting the needs of at-risk youth, seniors and homeless families.

A Note from the Executive Director

As Dumas Wesley enters the next chapter in its long-standing history of service, we remain committed to assisting the homeless, the hungry and the poor in our community. In this report, you will find success stories from the past year. These stories represent just a sampling of the individuals and families that Dumas Wesley has helped thanks to your donations. Dumas Wesley could not achieve these goals without the support and leadership of our staff, our board and our very generous community. Thanks for believing in our mission.

Yours in Service,

Kate

Kate Carver

Executive Director



WHAT CAN DUMAS WESLEY DO FOR YOU

- **Sybil H. Smith Family Village Transitional Housing:** Provides 24-month housing and support services to families experiencing homelessness
- **Senior Programs:** Encourages daily enrichment and nutrition for seniors 60 and older in the Senior Activities for Independent Living (SAIL) program, and transportation to vital doctor appointments twice a week
- **After School Achievement Program:** Offers after school care, educational programs, neighborhood outreach, athletic events and summer camp for at-risk youth
- **Child and Adult Care Food Program:** Monitors local home day care centers offering nutritional training, food monitoring and food reimbursements
- **Community Partner Programs:** Assists the needy alongside leaders in the community who provide clothing, food, immigration assistance and employment readiness training



SAIL Program



After School Achievement Program



Transitional Housing Program



Child and Adult Care Food Program



Clothing Closet

DID YOU KNOW IN 2015

Transitional Housing

- 50 individuals were accepted into the program
- 90% successful move-outs into permanent housing
- Over 20,000 bed nights were provided

Neighborhood Outreach Program

- 300 Children ages 6-18 participated in after school and summer enrichment programs
- 250 hours of free tutoring offered to school age children
- \$15,000 was the average household income

Senior Programs

- 5,000 on-site meals were served
- Over 7,450 meals were delivered to home-bound seniors
- 550 trips were provided to medical appointments

Child and Adult Care Food Program

- 445 children registered in the Family Day Care Home Program
- 59 providers reimbursed over \$319,000 for food costs this year

Community Partners

- 4,560 households were given supplemental food
- 3,100 individuals received free clothing
- Immigration services were provided to 200 individuals

LIFE-CHANGING TRANSFORMATIONS



I found myself at the bottom and going no where, until this place not only did you give me back my life, but you gave me back my kids and their belief in me. You gave me a chance to be their mom again and give them stability. I cannot express how much this program has changed my life because it continues to change every day... for the better. My kids smile now, they laugh and they trust... all because of you.

Carolyn Stone

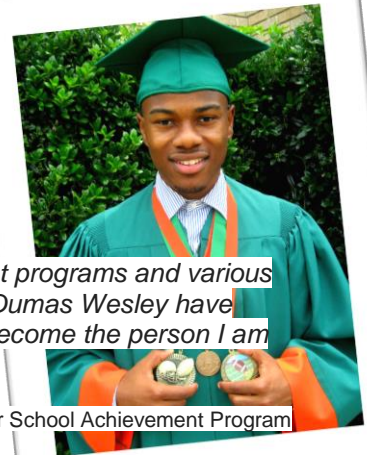
Carolyn Stone

"I really appreciate being a Family Day Care Home provider. I believe in healthy meal planning and the reimbursement I receive from Dumas Wesley really helps my monthly budget."

--- Sharon Pate, Child and Adult Care Food Program provider

"I finally have clothes to wear to church! I don't know what I would have done without your clothing closet. Thank you."

--- Ms. Sigler, Clothing Closet patron



"The different programs and various activities at Dumas Wesley have helped me become the person I am today."

---TJ Kidd, After School Achievement Program participant



Dumas Wesley saved my life! I look forward to seeing my friends and enjoying the daily activities in the Fall Program. Without this program I would be alone and without the comfort of my friends. And staff who care for my well being. Thank you for keeping my body, mind, and spirit healthy and spirit alive!

Josephine Wiley
Senior Adult Participant

2015 HIGHLIGHTS

United Methodist Support

As a mission of the United Methodist Church, Dumas Wesley is grateful for the year-round support from local and national Methodist supporters. This year over \$100,000 was given to Dumas Wesley through in-kind and monetary donations.



HELPING HANDS
Over **2,000** volunteer hours given thanks to community volunteers.

Eagle Scout Project

This past spring, Ethyn West of Fairhope's Troop 47 chose Dumas Wesley's transitional housing program, Sybil H. Smith Family Village, for his Eagle Scout project. Ethyn led his troop and built book shelves for each of the 17 apartments and landscaped the outside courtyard for residents to enjoy.



ANNUAL TOY STORE
140 children received Christmas gifts thanks to the generosity of the community. Proceeds benefit the Neighborhood Outreach services.

Community Supporters Making a Difference

In April, Dumas Wesley participated in the United Way of Southwest Alabama's Day of Caring. As a United Way partner agency, Dumas Wesley welcomed 40 volunteers from Alabama Bulk Terminal and Mobile Association of Realtors. They performed the following tasks: cleaning vehicles, landscaping, apartment cleaning and home renovations for a long-time Crichton resident.



Raising Awareness about Homelessness One Box at a Time

Residents of Mobile and surrounding communities raised awareness and over **\$13,000** for homeless families at the 10th Annual Cardboard City in October. This fundraiser supports Dumas Wesley's transitional housing program, Sybil H. Smith Family Village, and its community partner, Family Promise of Coastal Alabama.

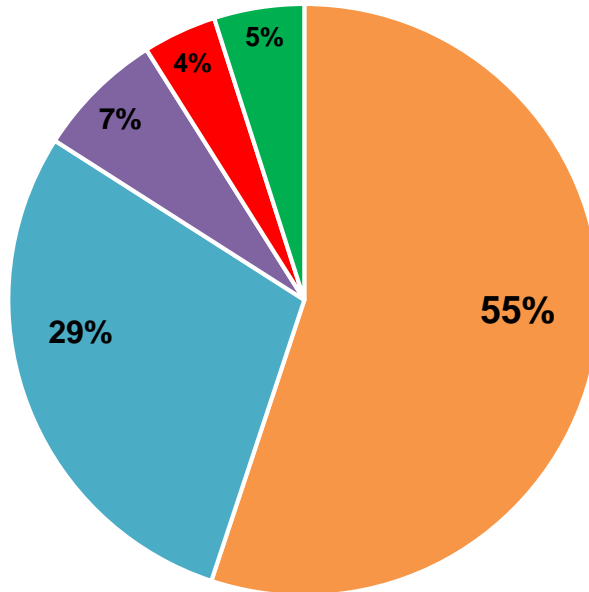


SUPPORTING HOMELESS FAMILIES
Sybil H. Smith Family Village received **\$37,800** in-kind donations which provided support for the following: apartment furnishings, life skill classes and day-to-day expenses and needs.

2015 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

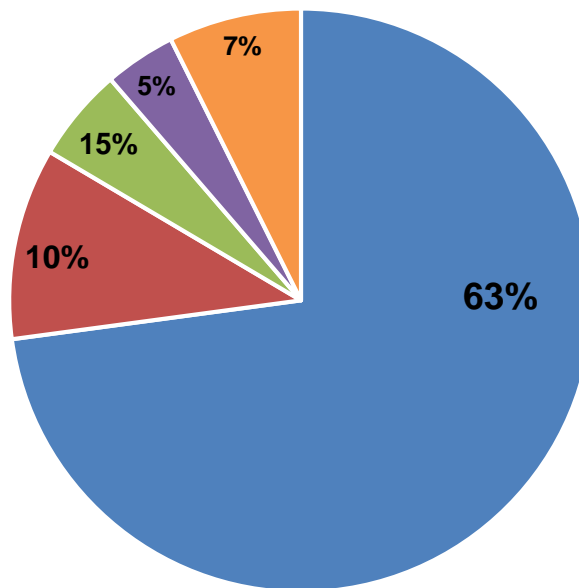
ANNUAL BUDGET: \$1,365,813

Revenue



■ Government Grants ■ Corporate & Private Grants ■ Churches ■ Individual ■ Other
*Including United Way funding

Expenses



■ Program ■ Facility ■ Administration ■ Other ■ Retirement
*Ongoing pension obligations for former employees

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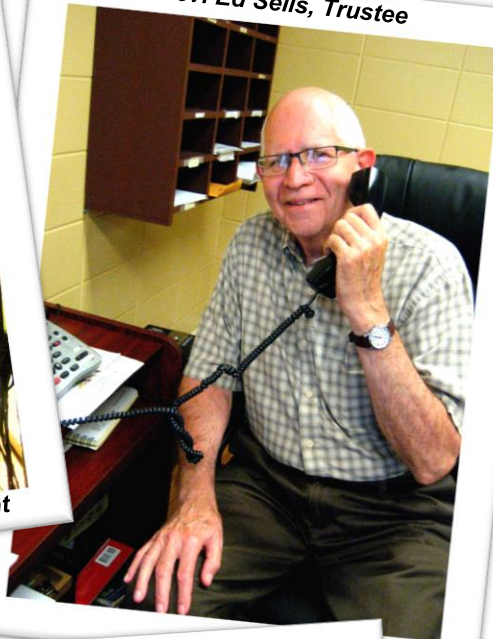
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Angel Brown, Board Member (Second from left)



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