

# 2018 Annual Report

"BUILDING AND EMPOWERING LIVES, ONE CONNECTION AT A TIME."

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This year was an amazing and more productive that we could have imagined! Through the gracious support of our donors, staff and volunteers we were able to implement new programs and processes to more effectively assist our service population. We started by revamping our website and implementing new social media platforms to share what services and programs we provide as well as advertising our upcoming events and fundraisers. We then revamped our financial support program to include required financial literacy sessions for those receiving financial assistance. After success with our previous efforts, we opened a new food pantry that provides three days of non-perishables to our service population at no cost.

Celebrating our previous victories was short lived as we were excited to move on to the next project of relocating and updating our computer resource center. This allowed us to provide easier access to clients to obtain resources. Understanding how our world has a solid foundation in technology, we made our assistance application more accessible to the public, by providing a platform to apply for services online. Last, but certainly not least, we launched our Emergency Housing Program! This program provides emergency housing to individuals and families experiencing a crisis.

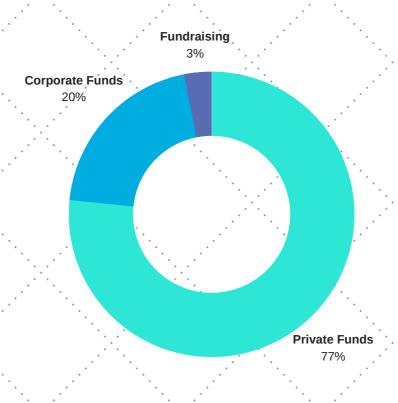
These programs are built from the sustainable community partnerships we foster throughout the year. Having great support systems and like-minded organizations that want to empower our communities has been key in the quality and variety of services we provide. I am humbled to be a part of an organization that has been able to impact so many people, so consistently and with such purpose. It is an honor to celebrate another year of building and empowering our communities, one connection at a time.

Sincerely,

Kheila Jones Executive Director



# Income: \$172,343



Private Funding: \$132,000

Corporate Funding: \$35,000

Fundraising: \$5343.00

# FINANCIALS

# Expenses: \$136,275



Programs: \$40,646

Administration: \$73,117

Facilities: \$21,210

Fundraising: \$1,302

### Financial Literacy and Support

#### MONEY SMART EDUCATION PROGRAM

This program was created as a way to ensure we are addressing the root of issues our clients face regarding financial literary. Providing financial assistance is a temporary fix to a bigger issue. This is why we decided to provide financial literacy in addition to our other programs to take a wholistic approach to financial deficits.

#### E.F.A.P. (EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)

E.F.A.P. was created to bridge the gap between the resource assistance provided by outside agencies and those that may still be in need of emergency assistance. This program is available to the general public. Emergency assistance provided is based on need and availability of funding. Priority is given to the those with special circumstances. If approved, financial assistance is provided once per year, per household. All clients receiving assistance are required to complete a financial literacy assessment with a Case Manager.

### Scholarships

AOG is honored to be able to provide scholarships to our rising student leaders. Partnering with agencies that focus on the importance of investing in our youth is of great importance to us. By offering continuing education scholarships to current students, we aim to assist in empowering our youth in conjunction with our partners.

These funds are available for those students that exhibit an understanding of the importance of resources and how they tie in to our daily lives. Applications are made available until March of 2018. Please use the link provided or contact our office with any additional questions. Applicants are required to submit their transcripts, a letter of recommendation, SAR report as well as a 500 word or less essay.

### T.A.P. (Transportation Assistance Program)

T.A.P. provides bus passes for low-income individuals that do not have a reliable means of transportation. Transportation is the third most requested resource from our applicants and we continue to work diligently to create a database of resources to assist with this need.

However, the need sometime outgrows the resources available. This is where our partnership with GRTC has made a great difference. A.O.G started the T.A.P. three years ago and since that time we have been able to offer over 4000 GRTC bus passes to our communities!

### Housing

#### TEMPORARY EMERGENCY HOUSING PROGRAM

The research data is clear, over the nine years of providing resources, the top resource assistance request has been emergency housing. A.O.G created the Emergency Housing Program based on this data and the importance of having a place to go during those times. We have partnered with several local hotels to provide a temporary safe haven for those in need. If you are experiencing an emergency housing crisis please contact our office for more information. A case worker will contact you within 24 hours of submission.

#### FURNITURE BANK REFERRAL PROGRAM

This program provides assistance with the fees associated with participating on the Caritas Furniture Bank Program in ad. We also work closely with local movers in the area to to provide referrals for families that are in need of home furnishings. Atlantic Outreach. This valuable program provides 5 rooms of home furnishings for a low program fee of 75.00

### Nutrition

#### FOOD BANK

Atlantic Outreach Group believes that access to food for those that are less fortunate is a social responsibility. We take pride in being able to assist in the fight against hunger in our communities. This program provides up to three (3) days of nonperishable food items.

In addition, we also offer fresh baked goods through our partnership with Panera Bread and their Day-End-Dough-Nation program. Please contact our office to for more details.CONTINUING EDUCATION

Each individual is provide supplemental support in the form of a customized listing of food banks and pantries to clients so that they can obtain access to perishable foods such as meats, fruits, and vegetables.



## Impact

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75k servings of food distributed to our communities!



## Impact



200+ Provided
emergency assistance
to prevent a housing
crisis.

## Impact



Over 1,200 bus passes provided to those is need!

## **Board of Directors**

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### Want to Be a Part of the Impact?

### Well here is how you can help!

**\$17.50** sponsors transportation for one person for a week

**\$30.00** sponsors getting a state identification and birth certificate for one person

\$50.00 will provide a meal for 3 meals for 5 people

\$60.00 sponsors transportation for one person for a month

**\$100.00** sponsors 2 days of supportive housing for a person in a crisis.

Please visit our website to sponsor one of our programs or contact us at 804.308.2647. We appreciate your support!