

2016 Annual Report

July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016



Our Vision:

all JRC family members are happy, healthy,
and responsible citizens, inspired to excel
and achieve their fullest potential every day

Our Mission:

*to enrich lives through
Educating children, Engaging seniors
and Strengthening community.*

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Thank you for your commitment & service!

JRC Learning Center

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EDUCATING

Quality early education is the foundation which allows a child the opportunity to excel in kindergarten, thrive in their years of education and become productive adults. Since 1980, the JRC Learning Center has provided early education and care for children ages six weeks through twelve years old. The center welcomes and educates all children. However, they are primarily from low to middle income households. Many children from these households are at-risk. The majority of households are headed by young parents and caretakers who are either working in entry-level jobs or attending institutions of higher education in an effort to rise out of poverty. Grandparents, foster parents and other relatives have also taken on the role of parenting. To support and encourage families' efforts to stay employed and/or continue their education, the learning center is open year round, weekdays from 5:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Promoting successful growth and development of children has been a goal of JRC for many years. In order to achieve this, JRC Learning Center is committed to high standards. The center is a modern, kid-friendly facility. In the past year, the interior of the learning center has been completely repainted, with new carpeting and flooring installed throughout the building. The JRC Learning Center is a 5-Star quality rated center according to the State of Ohio Step Up to Quality standards. Step Up to Quality is a voluntary quality rating system for early childhood education programs licensed by the State of Ohio. Step Up to Quality recognizes and promotes programs that meet quality benchmarks and best practices for early education and care. Of the 95 approved centers in Stark County, **JRC Learning Center is one of only seven 5-Star Centers** offering quality early education and care for children.

JRC believes that healthy children have a learning advantage. The **Healthy Habits for Life** program, meant to address childhood obesity which is prevalent in lower income communities, has remained a major initiative of JRC in teaching children healthy eating habits. JRC Learning Center uses quality non-processed foods in 90% of meals served. Some children stay at the center long enough to receive breakfast, lunch and snacks. Children in low income families qualify for free meals provided in part by the Ohio Department of Education's Child and Adult Food Program. As part of our healthy lifestyle initiative, JRC Learning Center also utilizes the **Healthy Habits Fitness** program. JRC teachers integrate fitness activities into the curriculum, providing the children 60 minutes of fitness activities per day. Better health equals better learning.

CHILDREN

It is proven that investing in early childhood development greatly impacts success in life.

Providing quality, flexible early education and care is a vital support that enables a child's and a family's progress toward economic stability and self-sufficiency. JRC Learning Center works to

prepare children to succeed in life intellectually, physically, emotionally, socially and cognitively, providing them a firm foundation for kindergarten and beyond.

JRC Learning Center has been an Early Head Start provider since June 2015, providing early education and wrap around services for 32 children (birth - three years old) and families. Also, 30 preschool openings have been provided to JRC, funded by the Ohio Department of Education, to teach 3 and 4 year olds in a collaboration between Canton City School District, JRC and the Canton YWCA.

JRC teachers employ curriculum that aligns with the Ohio Department of Education Early Learning Content Standards. Our initial outcome is that children will engage in developmentally appropriate activities that reflect best practices in early education and care in a high quality environment. Our primary long-term outcome is that children who consistently receive high quality education and care will increasingly display high levels of school readiness.

OUR NUMBERS in FY 2016

- ★ **362 children from 252 families**
- ★ **137 children, on average per day**
- ★ **214 infants, toddlers & preschoolers**
- ★ **148 elementary age children**
- ★ **67,785 healthy meals served**



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Tiffany Horn's two sons, Malachi, 5 and Isaiah, 9 both attend JRC Learning Center.

She says, "as parents, we have to work, and if you want to go have your kids go to a day care that feels like a home away from home, you need to choose JRC...knowing my kids are at JRC, I know they'll be safe. I know they'll be loved, and it's their home away from home."

In an October 2016 article in the Canton Repository, Horn described the JRC preschool program's curriculum. She highlighted the quality food program and nutritious meals; the preparation for kindergarten; knowing the alphabet and how to count. In addition, she talked about the summer activity program that she said introduced her son to swimming, golf and fishing, along with field trips to museums in Cleveland and the Akron Zoo." *Photo and article taken from The Canton Repository, United Way of Greater Stark County insert - Oct. 2016 - article by Robert Wang*



Preschoolers learn how to grow, harvest and prepare healthy foods!

Preschoolers learn how to harvest lettuce from the sensory garden at JRC Learning Center and work together to make a salad.



JRC Adult Day Center

3300 Parkway Street NW, Canton, Ohio | 330.454.3471

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Pride. Self-Worth. Dignity. Independence. These are important to every individual and are key elements in living a quality life. JRC Adult Day Center embraces these same values and focuses to respect each person's individuality, talents and specific needs in a dignified setting. In September 2016, JRC Adult Day Center moved to a state of the art facility located within the Meyers Lake Ballroom. The new location allows JRC to serve more seniors in a warm, safe and friendly environment with double the space.

JRC Adult Day Center has offered adult day services since 1980 and in January 2015 began offering services to older adults with developmental disabilities. JRC provides competent and compassionate care in a supervised setting that enables seniors to continue to live safely in their own community for as long as possible.

Seniors engage in meaningful activities during the daytime hours that enable them to remain in their homes while their caregivers are able to work or have respite. They may choose to enjoy daily fitness time participating in chair aerobics, XBOX bowling and other large motor skill activities. There is a memory room designed for those with memory loss or who need a quiet place. With colors that reflect calm and happiness, the room consists of activities and opportunities designed to engage individuals in conversation and jog their memory to reminisce by taking them back in time. These types of activities include Music & Memorysm and audio books. Other activities are designed to give purpose such as baking bread, sorting, folding and counting. There is also a workbench and a sewing area. In other areas of the center there are computer stations, sports areas that include pool and foosball tables as well as air hockey. There are areas for crafts, cards and games, a library and a beautiful garden and patio area.

JRC Adult Day Center provides the following core services: assessment and care planning, assistance with activities of daily living, health-related services, social services, therapeutic activities, nutrition, meals and help securing transportation. Individual Care Plans are prepared with the client, family, and our multi-disciplinary team of professionals. All clients require assistance with Activities of Daily Living (ADL) that may include personal care or hygiene, assistance with eating or mobility,

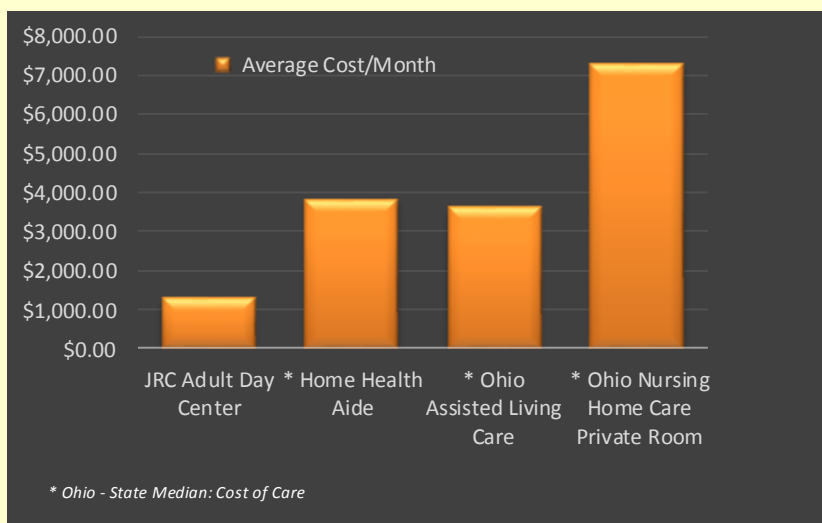
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supervision,
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medical and nutritional oversight. Adults may need a variety of levels of support as a result of physical limitations or mental disabilities associated with dementia, depression, visual or hearing impairments diabetes, high blood pressure, arthritis, stroke, etc.

OUR NUMBERS in FY 2016

**Served 88 different individuals with
combined attendance of 6,669 days
and 11,952 healthy meals**



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Meaningful Activities



JRC Home Repair

1731 Grace Avenue NE Canton, Ohio | 330.455.3873

JRC Home Repair provides services that contribute to the stability of owner-occupied homes in Stark, Summit, Wayne and Portage counties. Senior citizens who are primarily low-income homeowners receive help with handicap accessible renovations



and home repairs where deteriorating conditions threaten the health and safety of the residents. Our objective is to enable homeowners to continue to reside in their homes. During FY 2016, 93 renovations and repairs were completed.

The type of work completed includes minor plumbing repairs, ceiling and floor replacement, installation of ramps, bathroom modifications to install shower stalls with transfer seating, hand held shower heads and grab bars, widening of doorways and entries to accommodate walkers or wheelchairs, and installation of interior and exterior railings as well as a variety of smaller

household repairs. These accessibility modifications are designed to permit elderly and disabled homeowners to stay in or return after rehabilitation to their own homes preventing premature and costly nursing home placement.

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY

JRC's mission includes engaging seniors and strengthening community. This is accomplished, in part, through JRC Senior Housing. As a 65 unit HUD-approved independent living community, JRC Senior Housing provides safe and affordable housing for individuals 62 years and older, or on disability. In an effort to enhance this community, a part time JRC Service Coordinator helps to connect residents to needed services within the community. The coordinator helps to arrange services such as meals on wheels, transportation, health care, in-home care, speakers and other local services.

In FY 2016, the service coordinator helped assisted 380 tenants with 857 connections to services and educational sessions. There are 64 individuals who call JRC Senior Housing their home.



JRC Senior Housing

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Canton, Ohio



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JRC Community and Economic Development

1731 Grace Avenue NE Canton, Ohio

JRC has been committed to overseeing the completion of the Mahoning Road Economic Development Project. Phase I (Harmont Avenue to Grace Avenue) of the project was completed as of September 2016. The improvements include the undergrounding of utilities, new sidewalks and curbs, historic street lighting and new trees. Also, brick pavers in the intersections of Grace & Mahoning Road and Harmont Avenue & Mahoning Road. The projected benefits include retention of existing jobs and creation of new jobs, private investments, increased marketability of property and increased property values. The



project is part of over \$45 million in infrastructure and streetscape improvements slated for 2014-2019 and extending from the city's eastern boundary, along Mahoning Road & 12th Street to Interstate 77 on the west. Phase II will begin construction in the first half of 2017. Project funding has been derived from private, local, state, and federal sources. Current partners, along with JRC, include the city of Canton, Stark Area Regional Transit Authority (SARTA) and the Hoover Foundation.



STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY

In June of 2016, construction began for the **Wellness Village at Midway**, on the corner of Midway Avenue & Mahoning Road.



This is a 2-story apartment building (28 units) and eight (8) single-story cottage units built in two (2) fourplexes. The project will also consist of a resident garden. A parking lot will be located on the central portion of the site and the cottage units will contain attached garages. The apartment buildings will also consist of community space including: a fitness room, wellness center, demonstration kitchen, patio and offices.

Of the 36 units, 100% will be exclusively for senior housing. Four (4) of these units will be occupied by persons with income of less than 30% of the Area Median Gross Income (AMGI), 11 units will be for persons with income of less than 50% of the AMGI and 21 units will be for persons with income of less than 60% off the AMGI.

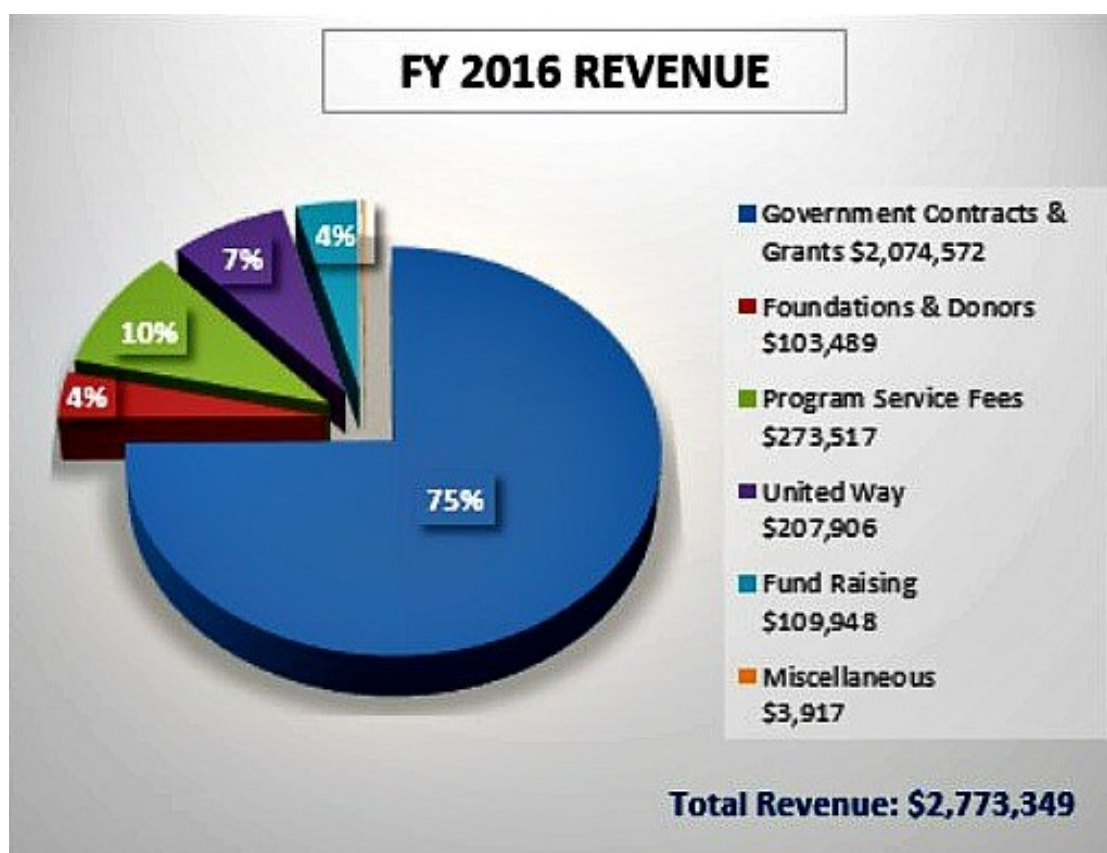


Residents and business owners were engaged through several initiatives headed by StarkFresh, a program of JRC during the early months of FY 2016. In November 2015, the JRC Board of Directors approved StarkFresh moving with the J.R.Coleman Community Renovation Corporation into a newly created 501(c)(3).

Audited Financial Statements

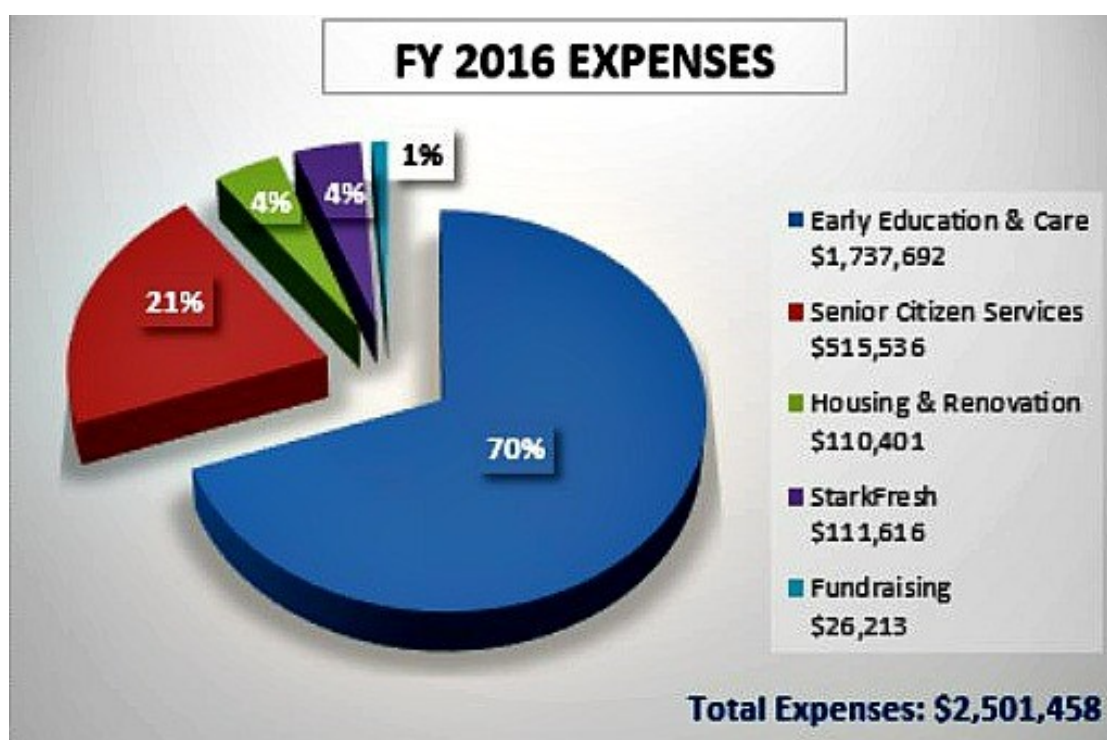
Combined and Audited Financial Statements of JRC Family, Renovation and Senior Divisions - July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

The IRS Form 990 for each division and the entire financial audit for the 2016 fiscal year are available online at JRCcares.org



Total Administrative Expenses: \$331,789

Total Net Assets: \$3,269,413



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