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Dakota Center

Building Character • Connecting Community







OUR MISSION IS TO AWAKEN THE WHOLE HUMAN POTENTIAL OF THOSE WE SERVE

WHAT WE DO

Our work is to build character and connect community by focusing all our programming to educate the whole person-mind, body, and spirit: The Mind through literacy and skills, the Body through health and wellness and the Spirit through faith, hope and charity.

Each day we engage our noble and holy work with passion. We average 65 people each day of service and we average 263 days of service a year. So we touch a human life over 17,000 times a year. \$0.88 of each dollar is invested directly in programming with only \$0.12 going to overhead expenses including fundraising costs. The best indicators are the lives impacted through love, service, and programming which we see each day in the smiles of those we serve.

THE FOUNDING OF THE DAKOTA STREET CENTER

The guiding light of the Dakota Center remains our founder Fr. Philip Hoelle, SM (1912-2005). Father Hoelle encouraged people to meet their potential and treated the great and the small, with dignity and respect. He combined his passion for learning with the wisdom of virtue in the service of others.

In between being the first Marianist Librarian at UD and a founding member of Bergamo Center for Life Long Learning, Father Hoelle established the Dakota Street Center. In 1965, he turned to Bill Hoben, the Dean of the School of Business at the University of Dayton, for funds to initiate a community center for the young children of the MacFarlane neighborhood located on the inner west side of Dayton.

Father Hoelle remained active in the Dakota Center until his death. He used his talents of patience, listening, and encouragement to bring people together to serve the community of the MacFarlane neighborhood. One of his favorite sayings is an old Irish Christmas Eve greeting: "In my window a little light is always burning for you. The arms of a friend are waiting."

We, the current stewards of Father Hoelle's little light, continue to be guided by the Marianist social justice principles he lived by. We invite you to walk along side us in this noble and holy work. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it."" –John 1:5

OUR PROGRAMS

Homework Club

The Homework Club, a results based, data driven after school program, is open to K-8 students in Montgomery County. Our objective is to help students succeed in school by providing a safe, fun, and productive learning environment. Our focus is on early childhood literacy skills and character development through enrichment, nutrition, and recreation activities. Average attendance 60 children

Senior Program

Our senior program focuses on people, ages 55 and older. The program is designed around the importance of them maintaining a quality, independent living environment. We focus our programming on their physical, emotional and spiritual needs to age in place with dignity. Average attendance 20 senior adults

Summer Enrichment Camp

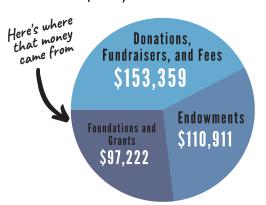
Our summer camp provides evidenced based activities centered on preventing the "summer slide". Each day our campers get a cold breakfast, am/pm snack, and a hot, healthy lunch. Our camp also provides swimming and a unique field trip experience each week. It runs for six weeks starting mid-June and ending late July, M-F, from 8am to 4pm. Registration opens late April. Average attendance 70 children

OUR GARDEN

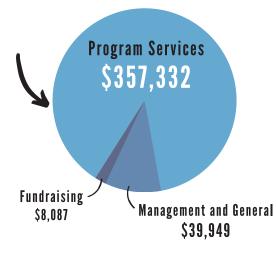
Our garden serves as a model for enrichment programs that provides the community the opportunity to learn about gardening, nutrition, and healthy living in a sustainable ecological system. An integrative curriculum was developed in conjunction with the garden and is designed to incorporate both structured and experiential learning for our programs. In addition, the garden helps to provide produce to the MacFarlane community and, in the future, the Gem City Market.

FINANCIALS FOR TWENTY-NINETEEN

In 2019, we received a total of \$361,492 in revenue



In 2019, our expenses totaled \$405,368*



*Includes unfunded depreciation