



DENVER INNER
CITY PARISH

ANNUAL REPORT FY 2020-2021

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The Denver Inner City Parish loves and supports individuals and families in our community, empowering them to break the cycle of poverty.



LEADERSHIP

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**AND OVER
400 VOLUNTEERS!**



DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

As Covid continues to disrupt our lives, we have learned different ways to meet the needs of our community. Delivering food to pantry clients and Parish Seniors, providing virtual programs and entertainment, on-line learning, and care navigation appointments are some of the different ways we have adapted to continue to serve our community during these challenging times.

Although we had many challenges during the past year, we also had many wins. Not only did we increase the number of people we served, many of our programs evolved in ways that provide a more equitable and dignified experience for our community members.

Our Veggie Rx program had great success in garnering financial support and will be expanding to provide services for the whole family and launching a mobile food truck that will distribute healthy food all over Denver. Our Parish Seniors program had significant growth and made great strides in sustainability. The La Academia Coding Institute program added additional partners and served youth who previously did not have access to computer science education. The DICP Care Navigation program also had wonderful growth in the number of participants served, the services provided, and the addition of diverse new care navigators.

We are excited for the coming year and the continued evolution of our programs. We could not have done any of this without your support. Thank you.

Larry Martinez
Executive Director





EDUCATION

La Academia Coding Institute

By the Numbers

- Served 110 students across multiple cohorts
- Provided over 2,600 hours of computer science instruction
- 91% Students of color
- 73% Identify as female
- 75% Report the La Academia Coding Institute provided their first computer science training

LA ACADEMIA CODING INSTITUTE

Did You Know?

- Only 38% of public high schools teach computer science?
- Colorado has over 18,000 open computing jobs (as of 2021).
- The average salary of those jobs is over \$101,000 (as of 2021).

PUENTES & COVID DROP-IN CENTER

During Covid, we've all learned the importance of in-person education, not just for academics but for building social skills and for social-emotional support of our young people. Online learning can work, but not without in-person support from caring adults .

Puentes & COVID-19

Drop-In Center

By the Numbers

- Served 46 students
- 21 college and/or post-secondary students
- Over 430 hours of tutoring & instruction time during the pandemic
- 91% of high school participants were from a Title 1 school
- 82% of high school participants received Free and Reduced Lunch

Steve Johnsen Scholarship

By the Numbers

- 6 Scholarship recipients
- Provided over \$16,000 worth of scholarships
- Volunteer Selection Committee representing community, DICP Board, and La Academia alumni

STEVE JOHNSEN SCHOLARSHIP

The Steve Johnsen Scholarship uses interest from the sale of the 910 Galapago building, which housed La Academia for 45 years, to fund the scholarships of future generations.



HUNGER PROGRAMS

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Food Pantry

By the Numbers

- 325 Boxes distributed per week
- 8,125 Meals per week
- 67,600 Individuals served through boxes
- 4,500+ Home food deliveries
- Over 6,500 Individuals served by food deliveries
- \$1,107,403 of food procured
- 681,134 lbs of food distributed
- Over 100 volunteers and 4,400 volunteer hours!

FOOD INSECURITY AND COVID-19

COVID-19 highlighted the plight of millions of Americans living with food insecurity. DICP's food pantry more than doubled in size in less than a year. The community room became a mini-warehouse and food box distribution center. Thousands of people who had never visited a food bank visited our drive-up distribution site.

FOOD PANTRY AND PARTNERSHIPS

DICP's Hunger programs helped provide food to several partners to fight food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Food pantry partners include:

- Eggleton Elementary
- His Love Fellowship
- Volunteers of America
- Benefits in Action
- Tribe Recovery Homes
- Latino Coalition
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Denver





CARE NAVIGATION

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Care Navigation

By the Numbers

- Served 6,754 Clients
- Over 300 volunteers and 2,100 volunteer hours!
- 586 Clients in the Release Assistance on Demand Program

THE VALUE OF DIAPERS

Did you know?

The price of diapers has risen 12% over the last year (*Wall Street Journal, 2021*). For low-income and fixed-income families, this can break the budget.

CARE NAVIGATION SERVICES

- Utility Bill Assistance
- Diapers and Baby Formula
- Hygiene
- Care Referrals
- Emergency Meals
- Advocacy
- Courtesy Phone Use
- Mail Services
- Laundry and Shower
- Mental Health

Energy Assistance

By the numbers

- Served 117 clients
- Provided \$72,800 in utility-bill assistance grants

Diapers & Baby Formula

By the numbers

- Served over 1,000 clients
- Distributed 65,000 diapers valued at \$19,000
- Distributed 260 containers of formula

Special Events

By the Numbers

- 1,006 Thanksgiving participants
- 145 Families in the Adopt-A-Family Christmas program
- 178 Distributed backpacks including school supplies
- 180 Fully vaccinated individuals at the Community Vaccine Event





PARISH SENIORS

Parish Seniors

By the Numbers

- Over 100 members with regular participation
- Recipient of a large federally funded grant to continue to grow programming as the number of elderly Americans increases
- Hired Case Manager and Outreach Coordinator
- Hired Virtual Programs Coordinator
- Return to COVID-safe in-person day trips

FOOD INSECURITY AND THE ELDERLY

Many participants are on fixed incomes without easy access to grocery stores and basic necessities. The bi-monthly box deliveries fight insecurity and provide basic necessities. During the pandemic, the box deliveries became an essential part of Parish Seniors' programming. For many, it was their only regular in-person interaction.

BATTLING COVID AND SOCIAL ISOLATION

America's elderly population was already facing mental and physical health issues connected to social isolation when COVID-19 struck. The DICP Parish Seniors program quickly established a virtual presence with significant education, training, and one-on-one tutoring for participants unfamiliar and uncomfortable with technology. Now, participants meet regularly to combat social isolation. This programming is on-going and will become a permanent part of the Parish Seniors program.

Bi-monthly Box Deliveries

By the Numbers

- 80 participants receive regular deliveries
- Boxes include prepared meals, fresh produce, bread, canned food, and other staples
- Boxes also include toiletries and pet food and supplies for those in need

Virtual Programming

By the Numbers

- Over 100 members using iPads for virtual programming
- Participants keep iPads after 6 months of participation
- Regular weekly online classes and gatherings, including yoga, bingo, birthday celebrations, and social hour



VEGGIERX

VeggieRX

By the Numbers

-40 participants took the 10-week VeggieRX class. Participants ranged in age from 6-89

-Served 80 youth at two different community events in West Denver

-Partnered with Girls Inc. of Metro Denver and Cope Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Denver for youth programming

VEGGIE RX IMPACT

Did you know?

-95% of VeggieRX participants live at or below the income poverty guideline

-100% of senior-aged participants reported health problems related to diet and poor food choices

-100% of VeggieRX participants reported challenges with regular access to fresh fruits and vegetables

-100% of VeggieRX participants have never had education on healthy diets and cooking

SECURED FUNDING FOR GREENS-N-GRAINS

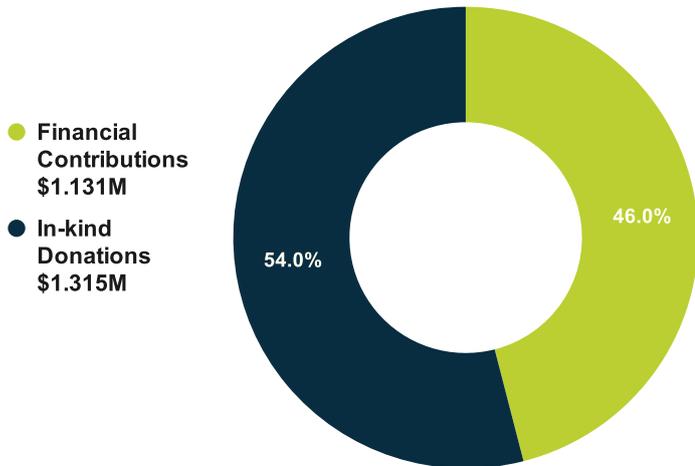
In May of 2021, DICP received significant funding from the Healthy Food for Denver Kids Initiative. This funding allowed DICP to purchase a food truck which will serve thousands of free and healthy snacks to kids after school, beginning in the 2021-2022 academic year.

GREENS-N-GRAINS

PROGRAM INFO

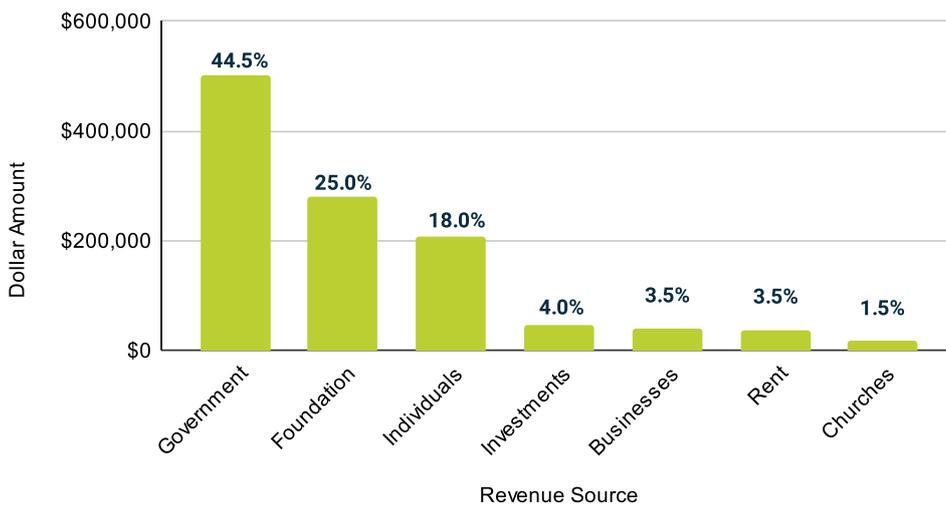
The Greens-N-Grains food truck will address several major health problems. Childhood obesity and related health issues have seen continued growth over the last two decades. The problem is especially bad in economically challenged communities. Schools are reporting a cut in funding for after-school programs, and this tends to affect the snacks that help children transition from school to home. For many, this after-school snack is the last meal they will have in a day.

DICP Overall Revenue - Financial v. In-Kind



92% OF DICP'S REVENUE GOES TO PROGRAMMING

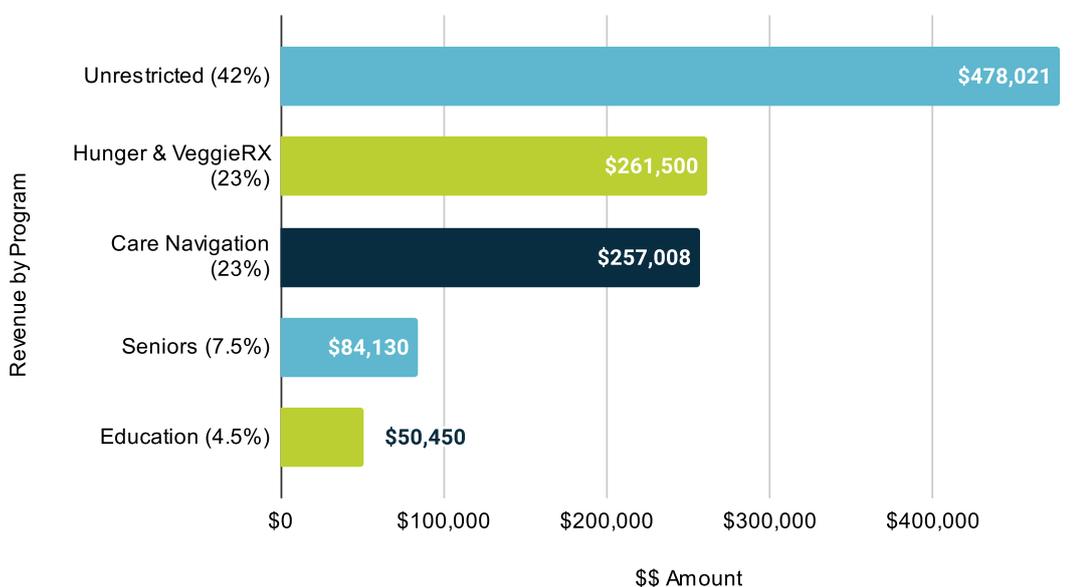
DICP Revenue Sources - Total \$\$ Revenue \$1.131million



Notes

1. Covid19 emergency stimulated higher support from government entities
2. Operating revenue was up 25% from prior fiscal year
3. 21% of revenue was from government grants and contracts, up 3% from prior fiscal year

Revenue by Program





DICP relies on the work of many Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) workers.

We couldn't do it without them!

Cindy Gelski	Office Clerk
Linda Hughes	Office Clerk
Rae Hunn	Office Clerk
Nelson Davis	Custodian
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