

LOOKING BACK, MOVING FORWARD

JUNE 2024

CELEBRATING 70+ YEARS OF MINISTRY TO MINORS

EPISCOPAL

CITY MISSION Providing Hope and Healing for Children in the Juvenile Justice System

As Episcopal City Mission celebrates its 70th year as "ECM," we look back on the organization's origins

In the 1880s, a man named Charles Homes began paying visits to city institutions -- City Hospital, the Female Hospital, the poor house, the jail, and the workhouse. A layperson from Christ Church Cathedral, Holmes learned that these institutions had no Sunday services during the summer, and so he began holding them alongside members of the Cathedral's junior choir. The program quickly became a success, and volunteers from other congregations soon joined the program which was then known as "Hospital Missions."

The ministry first became involved with the juvenile justice system in 1913 when the Juvenile Court invited Hospital Missions volunteers to help with children in their custody, including at Bellefontaine Farms, a site run by the Juvenile Court for "delinquent boys." In 1925, the organization changed its name to "City Mission" to represent its widened scope beyond just hospital ministry. Throughout the '20s, '30s, and '40s, City Mission continued to provide pastoral care at a wide variety of city institutions, supported by individuals, congregations, and other organizations in the diocese. By 1950, City Mission ministered to five hospitals, the asylum, the workhouse, the jail, Bellefontaine Farms, and the Meramec School for girls.

In 1953, the diocese realized that the scope of the work which City Mission did was more than any one person or organization could provide. In response, the diocese came together with other Protestant denominations active in St. Louis to form the Metropolitan Church Federation. Each participating denomination chose an area of work on which they would focus. The Diocese of Missouri chose to work with young people in trouble, and in 1954, Episcopal City Mission was incorporated.

Since 1954, there have been 10 executive directors, dozens of chaplains, and hundreds of volunteers who have faithfully served ECM. Together, we have provided chaplaincy to thousands of children impacted by the juvenile justice system. We continue in our ministry of presence so that the children know that they are not alone and that they are loved unconditionally.

Many thanks to Sue Rehkopf, Diocesan Archivist, who helped research ECM's history and find historic photos.



Hospital Missions Staff and Volunteers, early 20th century



City Mission Staff, 1920s



ECM staff and Bishop Rockwell, 1998



ECM staff, December 2023



Thursday, October 17th, 6-9pm LiUNA Event Center

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Individual Gala Tickets - \$150

This ticket includes a memorable evening of dinner, drinks, live auction, raffle, wine pull, and celebration.





GET READY FOR THIS YEAR'S MOMENT IN TIME

Last year, more than 150 guests attended our sold-out Moment in Time Gala! The evening included cocktails and dinner, silent and live auctions, and a thought-provoking keynote address by Dr. Gerald Early. ECM was able to meet our fundraising goal of \$100,000, allowing us to provide continued support to children impacted by the juvenile justice system.

This year, ECM will be celebrating our 70th anniversary at the Moment in Time Gala. For the first time ever, the event will be hosted at the LiUNA event center in Sunset Hills, allowing even more friends and supporters of ECM to attend. This year's gala theme is "Creating Possibilities, Illuminating Futures," in honor of the many children whose lives and futures have been changed by ECM's ministry.

Attendees can look forward to hearing from our chaplains, who will be participating in a panel led by The Rt. Rev. Deon K. Johnson. The chaplains look forward to sharing insights from their work with children in the juvenile detention centers. Guests will also have the opportunity to participate in a live auction and paddle raise.



WoW Talk Cafés Launch at County Detention Center

This spring, ECM hosted its first Words of Wisdom (WoW) Talk Café. WoW Talk Cafés is a program designed to cultivate emotional intelligence and mental wellness in children. Facilitators help the children identify stressors in their lives and give them problem solving tools. The program was made possible through funding from the St. Louis County Children's Services Fund.

The program was facilitated by the Rev. Deborah Burris alongside ECM volunteers and detention center staff. The first cafe series had five sessions. The theme for the first cafe series was "Put the Guns Down."

As part of the program, children were

asked to design logos for the program, and they made the incredible pictures featured to the right. Gun violence is an issue facing many of the children in the detention center, and helping the kids find alternatives to violence is an important part of ECM's mission.

Implementing programs like WoW Talk that help address the mental wellness of children in the detention center is crucial to ECM. Peer-to-peer conversations, like those in the café help give children a voice. For the youth, getting a chance to share their own personal experiences in their own words helps them to process those experiences. ECM is committed to giving these children a space to share.



ECM Board Member Spotlight



From left: Min. Norman Malloyd, Pam Stanfield, Mary Ann Moore, the Rev. Deborah Burris

Dr. Pam Stanfield, ECM board member and volunteer, recently received the Donald F. Roth Outstanding Service Award in recognition of her extraordinary service at the St. Louis County Juvenile Detention Center.

Pam has volunteered in the county detention center for nine years. Each Sunday, she visits the youth and talks with them both in groups and one-on-one. She serves as a calm, nonjudgmental presence when she listens to the children talk about their struggles and offers stories to inspire them. Pam regularly attends special programs and events for the youth and has served on committees focused on serving youth who are involved with the juvenile justice system.

Pam says that her secret to breaking the ice with the most hesitant youth is to have them guess her hobby. After they've guessed things like reading, helping kids, or gardening, she shares a photo of herself on her Yamaha 950 V Star motorcycle. It gets a smile every time, and the children begin to see that anything is possible.

Focusing on the Future: ECM's Strategic Planning Process

In January, Episcopal City Mission embarked on the process to create a four-year Strategic Plan for the organization. Guided by the principles of inclusivity and equity, board engagement, and realistic goal setting, the strategic planning committee worked to ensure that ECM can continue serving vulnerable children for years to come.

Our strategic planning committee consisted of ECM board members, staff, and an external consultant from Community Development Solutions. Board members, staff, volunteers, and funders were surveyed about their experiences with ECM as part of the process. Their insightful feedback informed our planning and strengthened our commitment to transparency, accountability, and meaningful impact.

These goals were created with ECM's future in mind. For over 70 years, ECM has provided support to children impacted by the juvenile justice system, and it is our vision that ECM will continue in its work for many more. ECM is poised to embrace new opportunities and challenges, guided by our core values of support, hope, and healing. As always, our first duty is to the youth we serve and creating a comprehensive, impactful approach that addresses their complex needs. We are excited to share our plans for continuing our ministry to them.

Our Goals:

- 1. Expand Services and Mission to Support Youth Impacted by the Juvenile Justice System
- 2. Improve Funding Strategies and Diversification
- 3. Foster Strategic Partnerships with Key Stakeholders
- 4. Implement Robust Tracking and Outcome Measurement Systems
- Develop and Implement Marketing and Communication Strategies
- 6. Strengthen Volunteer Engagement
- 7. Enhance ECM Staff Training and Development Program
- 8. Leverage Technology to Optimize Efficiency and Effectiveness



Making a Difference

The Rev. Deborah Burris



ECM chaplains and volunteers have the opportunity to touch the lives of youth in the juvenile justice system in many ways. One on one sharing, prayers, programs, and birthday celebrations are just a few of the ways that youth are encouraged,

comforted, and find hope in their circumstances. We seldom see the results of our work but we are grateful for the opportunity to serve detained youth and trust God that we have made a difference.

Sometimes God allows us to see a glimpse of the fruit of our labor. I experienced this recently during the Missouri Juvenile Justice Association (MJJA) Spring 2024 conference. One of the detention center staff handed me a flyer and said to me, "Chap, did you see this?" The flyer was about a youth that received one of the MJJA scholarships. It was a kid that I worked with over 10 months ago. This brought so much joy to my heart to see that he was realizing his dream of attending Texas South University in the Fall and had been awarded a scholarship. Reflections on our many talks and prayers at the end of those talks, his struggle with depression, grief, fear, and total disbelief about his circumstances flooded my mind. His case involved a very tragic situation. He would say, "I don't belong here...I can't believe this is happening....I have good grades and plan to go to college...This is my senior year... I'm supposed to be going to my prom, senior activities and graduation...What if I get certified?" He shared his plans about attending the Thurgood Marshall School of Law and becoming an attorney. We talked about his experience preparing him to represent others in the justice system with a level of sensitivity and empathy that other attorneys may not have. One of the ECM volunteers presented him with a book entitled, "The Making of Thurgood Marshall" to continue to cultivate that dream.

I also remembered texting, talking and praying with his mom and encouraging her. When kids are detained, their parents also go through a range of emotions and are essentially "locked up" with their kids emotionally. When he was released on supervision, she texted me a picture of the two of them, thanking God and expressing appreciation. I shared that text and picture with the detention center staff member that handed me the flyer. We both smiled because he was part of the journey as well with this kid and felt the same joy.

Yes, there are those moments when we get confirmation that we are making a difference in the lives of detained youth. To God Be the Glory!

Birthday Parties Spark Joy

Each month, dedicated volunteers bring birthday cheer to the city and county detention centers. Congregations supply pizza, decorations, and gifts for each child whose birthday is that month.

Birthday parties are a core part of ECM's ministry. They remind the children that they are not disposable and are worthy of being loved and celebrated. Some of the children may never have had a party hosted in their honor.



If you are interested in volunteering at a birthday party, please contact your parish's ECM ambassador or contact the ECM office.





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Since 1954, Episcopal City Mission has been fulfilling our sole mission to provide support, hope and healing to children in the Juvenile Justice System within the St. Louis Metropolitan Area.

OUR CHILDREN:



Range of Age 11 to 18 Average Age 15 - 16 90% Black Males

DAYS TO MONTHS



The stay in detention may be a few days or it can be months.

OUR CHAPLAINS

3 Chaplains with extensive experience with young people. All pastors from different protestant denominations. Each chaplain offers their own unique skills to provide hope and healing.

{ 2023 ANNUAL REPORT FINANCIALS }

Dear ECM Supporters,

As I look back over the past 18 months at Episcopal City Mission, I must admit it has been a whirlwind of activity, energy, and effort forged. I can appreciate that ECM has some of the most resolute and loyal volunteers ever. None of what we have been able to accomplish would have been possible without you. I am equally appreciative and impressed with our corporate in-kind donors who lend their support year after year.

As we continue to see some of the highest numbers of detained youth in both St. Louis City and County Detention Centers. Our chaplains, volunteers, and the staff are poised to show up and be of support.

With your help, prayers, and generosity we've:

- Hosted our Annual Meeting, elected 2 new Board Members, adopted the 2024 budget, and welcomed the addition of an Office Manager.
- Convened our Board Strategic Planning Process, that provided an opportunity for team building, visioning, and goal setting, for both the short and long-term.



Best Regards,

Nathan T. Ivy

Nathan T. Ivy, MA Episcopal City Mission Executive Director

INCOME

Public Support	
Individual Donors*	\$ 191,067
Churches and Faith Communities	\$ 17,659
Diocese of Missouri	\$ 26,809
Foundations	\$ 26,525
Grants	\$ 33,000
In-Kind Donations	\$ 6,760
	\$ 301,820
Investment	
Interests & Dividends	\$ 14,335
Realized Gains/Losses	\$ 6,537
	\$ 20,872

TOTAL INCOME

\$ 322,692

EXPENSES

Salary	\$ 221,100
Employee Benefits	\$ 30,644
Development & Fundraising**	\$ 51,691
Office Supplies & Operation	\$ 29,977
Accounting & Audit Fees	\$ 12,430
Programming for Children	\$ 3,898
Board, Annual Meeting,	
& Liability D&O Insurance	\$ 4,594

TOTAL EXPENSE

\$ 354,334

*Includes donations to fundraiser event, Moment in Time **Includes expenses for fundraising events





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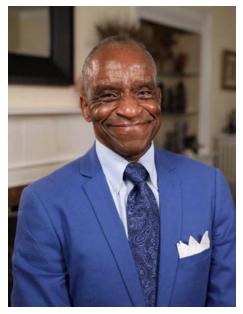
This year, ECM welcomed 2 new board members: The Very Rev. Shug Goodlow, and Harry Moppins.

The Very Rev. Shug Goodlow currently serves as Rector at Christ Episcopal Church in Rolla, MO. She previously served as Assistant Rector at St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Ellisville, MO. Prior to that, she served 25+ years at Christ Church Cathedral St. Luis as Head Verger. Harry Moppins is a member of the Church of St. Michael & St. George. He has served as a Music Director and Organist for various denominations. He has also worked in Fortune 500 and 100 companies, small businesses, and startups.

ECM also hired a new Office Manager, Percy Kaylor. Percy is a recent Washington University graduate who worships at Holy Communion. Percy looks forward to supporting ECM's ministries and programming.



The Very Rev. Shug Goodlow



Harry Moppins



Percy Kaylor



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