CHANGING LIVES TOGETHER



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WEN Co-Founders

Two legendary Kansas City philanthropists Beth K. Smith (left) and Marjorie Powell Allen (right) founded WEN in 1986. In the three decades since, WEN has supported countless women and their families as they work to achieve financial independence.



Women's Employment Network's (WEN's) mission is to help women raise their self-esteem and achieve economic independence through sustained employment. WEN is a nonprofit organization that offers job-search training and resources, individualized coaching, professional case management and financial education opportunities.

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JOIN US IN CHANGING LIVES TOGETHER

Big, systemic change can start by helping one woman secure employment and become financially and emotionally self-sufficient -- WEN is the agent for this change. We couldn't do what we do without the support of the community. There are many opportunities to volunteer at WEN, including: workshop facilitation, mock interviewing, résumé writing, or working in WEN's professional clothing bank. Other ways to contribute include sponsoring, attending or hosting one of our Special Events, joining the Legacy Circle or Young Friends of WEN, or becoming a monthly donor. For more information on ways to get involved, visit www.kcwen.org.



HELPING WOMEN HELP THEMSELVES

WOMEN'S **EMPLOYMENT** NETWORK

Changing the lives of women, their families and the community, one woman at a time **SINCE 1986.**

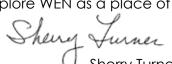
2014-2015 ANNUAL REPORT



The 2014-2015 fiscal year was a fantastic year of discovery and growth at Women's Employment Network. We continue to serve a great number of women in the Kansas City community and, with the growth of our Financial Coaching and Credit Building program, clients are learning how to stand on their own financial feet and secure long-term financial stability for themselves and their families.

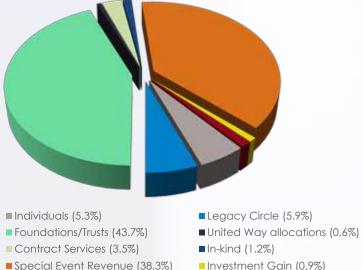
In 2016 WEN will celebrate 30 years as an organization focused on the financial self-sufficiency of women. Our vision for WEN continues to evolve as women become 50% of the nation's workforce, enroll in college more than ever before, remain in poverty as single mothers and become self-employed at 1.5 times the national average. Challenges and barriers remain much the same, but providing all options to gain sustainable wages and education is necessary for WEN to continue leading women to success. WEN participates in a community strategy as a LISC Financial Opportunity Center, with emphasis on financial coaching as a

model improving sustainable outcomes for our clients, and now also takes the lead in delivering financial workshops through the Kansas City Public Library system. We participate in the OneKC for Women alliance that includes the Women's Business Center (WBC), the Women's Capital Connection (WCC), and the new WE-Lend Initiative, our micro loan program. This allignce allows the highest auglity model of financial success through job placement, credit/financial health, and aspirations to self-employment and small business ownership. We will continue to empower our clients as they grow in their careers and economic stability -- and give prospective clients the courage to take a leap of faith and explore WEN as a place of care and compassion.



Sherry Turner WEN President Founder, OneKC for Women

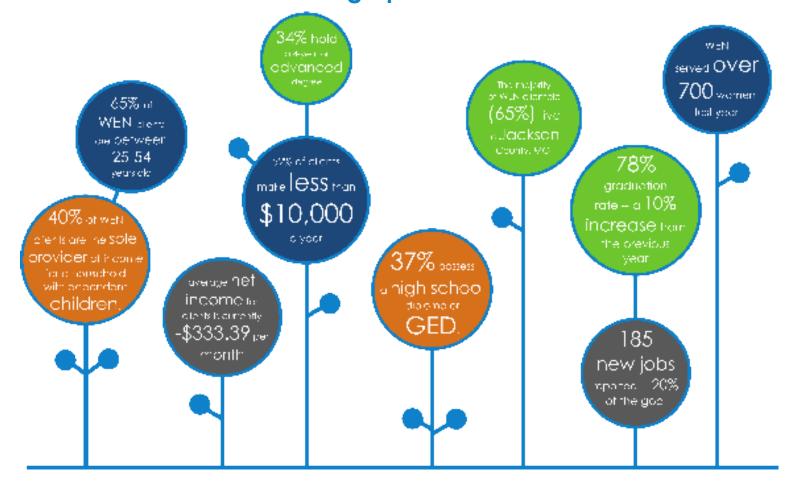
FINANCIALS FOR WEN'S 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 Revenue



Miscellaneous (3.8%)

Investment Gain (0.9%)

2014-2015 WEN Client Demographics



Expenses

Total	\$1,009,933
Program Services Development/Marketing Administration	\$708,468 \$189,497 \$111,968
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FINANCIAL COACHING PAYS OFF FOR WEN CLIENTS

For women and families who have struggled to make ends meet, a secure job is the first step toward financial stability. But, it's only the first step. As a Financial Opportunity Center (FOC), WEN now provides long-term, one-on-one financial coaching to help take a client out of a downward spiral. During the 2014-2015 fiscal year:

clients served, surpassing the

goal of 100



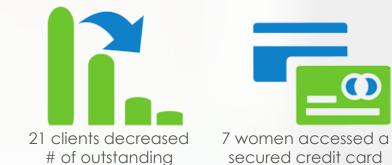
credit scores and 7 increased net worth

Revenue

Individuals Legacy Circle Foundations/Trusts United Way allocations Contract Services In-kind Special Event Revenue Investment Gain Miscellaneous	\$55,547 \$61,228 \$457,159 \$6,179 \$30,024 \$13,000 \$400,538 \$9,247 \$12,649
Total	\$1,045,571

2014-2015 Expenses

Program Services (70.1%) Development/Marketing (18.8%) Administration (11.1%)



collections

to build credit

2015 LUNCHEON - CHANGING LIVES TOGETHER

The Women's Employment Network annual spring luncheon was overflowing with some of the metro's most influential business and community leaders. It was an inspiring event thanks to the over 1,000 supporters, volunteers, and professionals from across the community who came together to celebrate and honor women in our community who have overcome great obstacles to get to where they are.

Dianne and Congressman Emanuel Cleaver II were the Honorary Co-Chairs, and Katie Van Luchene and Beth Zollars served as Luncheon Co-Chairs. Alice Ellison, former Vice President of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City, received the 2015 Beth K. Smith Award, which recognizes those who advance the mission of WEN. The afternoon was a record-breaking success raising much-needed dollars to help women achieve economic self-sufficiency and forge positive change for themselves and their families. In fact, WEN has consistently been honored as one of the City's Top Five Luncheons based on net dollars raised.



uate speaker Katrina Clark, WEN Board Chair Jen Gulvik and Co-Chair Beth Zollars gather before the 2015 Luncheon.



Mayor Sly James, Katie Van Luchene, Alice Ellison, Congressman Emanuel Cleaver II, Dianne Cleaver and Beth 7ollars.

ALICE ELLISON RECEIVES 2015 BETH K. SMITH AWARD



WEN Board Chair Jen Gulvik presents the 2015 Beth K. Smith Award to Alice Ellison.

Alice Ellison, former WEN Board Chair, was the 2015 Beth K. Smith Award recipient. Alice will received the distinguished honor onstage at WEN's Annual Luncheon. The Beth K. Smith Award, named after one of WEN's founders, was created several years ago to recognize individuals who have demonstrated exemplary commitment to advancing the mission of WEN. While serving as Vice President of Community Relations at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City, Alice got involved with WEN and later led the Board for two consecutive three-year terms, including roles as both Board Vice-Chair and Chair. We are grateful to her for her many years of outstanding service to WEN and our mission.

JOIN US FOR OUR 30TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

In 2016, WEN will celebrate 30 years of helping Kansas City women write their next chapter and reach their dreams. Join us on April 6th at the Sheraton Crown Center in to help us celebrate these real-life success stories.

Honorary Co-Chairs: Barbara P. Allen and Deborah Allen

Luncheon Co-Chairs: Debby Ballard and Cora Storbeck

