



2012 Annual Report

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The Columbus Landmarks Foundation Board of Trustees welcomes you to the

2012 Annual Membership Meeting

Thursday, May 17, 2012

Bricker & Eckler, LLC, 100 S. Third St.

Agenda

5:30 p.m. Concurrent tours of **Bricker & Eckler** and **Central Presbyterian Church**

Reception at Bricker & Eckler

6:15 p.m. Welcome and Call to Order – Doreen Uhas Sauer, President

6:30 p.m. Report of the Nominating Committee, Donna Laidlaw, Chair

Slate of Trustees nominated to serve a Three-Year Term

David Binkovitz, Industrial Commission of Ohio

Cynthia L. Hunt*, clh and associates, llc

George O'Donnel*, Arshot Real Estate Services, LLC

Dan L. O'Harra*, The O'Harra Group

Jeffrey Porter, Kegler Brown Hill & Ritter

**Nominated for a second three-year term*

6:40 p.m. Financial Report – Kaz Unalan, Finance Chair

6:50 p.m. Director's Remarks – Kathy Mast Kane

7:00 p.m. President's Remarks – Doreen Uhas Sauer

7:15 p.m. 35th Anniversary Celebration

Bricker and Eckler, Federal Post Office and Courthouse

The original building was constructed in 1884-1887 as the main post office for Columbus. Originally, the building's design was Romanesque Revival style, but with an urgent need for increased space, a major renovation from 1907-1912 resulted in a greatly enlarged building with a new style. The carefully crafted transformation created one of Columbus's best examples of High Victorian Gothic as it more than doubled the size of the original building. Special note should be taken of its High Victorian Gothic elements—the smooth-dressed sandstone and its decorative elements which include a corbel table below the cornice, window tracery, balconets, and wall dormers. The interior is richly detailed with carved oak woodwork, a marble staircase, wood coffered ceilings, and marble paneling. In 1933, a new post office was built and federal offices occupied this building until its present use by the law firm, Bricker and Eckler. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Central Presbyterian Church

Central Presbyterian (originally called Second Presbyterian Church) is Columbus's oldest stone church and its finest example of the Romanesque Revival style. Major characteristics of this style include round arches, tower roofs with concave pyramidal slopes, and asymmetrical placement of the towers. The church was built under the supervision of Colonel Henry Carrington, a member of the church and an active recruiter and participant in Columbus's Civil War history. Sidney M. Stone, Connecticut architect, prepared drawings, and the work began in 1857 with dedication in 1860. In 1901 Second Presbyterian Church merged with Westminster Church to form Central's congregation. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and the Columbus Register of Historic Properties.

Thank you to our host Bricker & Eckler, LLC, and for your continuing support of
Columbus Landmarks Foundation

2012 Slate of Trustees – Nominated to Serve Three-Year Terms

David J. Binkovitz is a member of the Education Committee of the Columbus Landmarks Foundation. He has led tours in German Village and organized several tours that highlighted the stained-glass windows of Columbus-area churches and synagogues. David is an attorney who has been licensed in the State of Ohio since 1978. He has spent his legal career as a Hearing Officer, Litigation Manager, and Manager of the Columbus Office of the Industrial Commission of Ohio. David has also been an active member of his synagogue, Congregation Beth Tikvah in Worthington, in which he has served as President of the Congregation and as a Member of the Board of Trustees for seven years. He is an avid reader and is involved in two reading groups. David has lived in the Clintonville area since 1989.

Cynthia L. Hunt is the Principal for clh and associates, llc, a management consulting firm that focuses on executive consulting with public sector and evolving organizations from a strategic, structural, process, and resource perspective. In her prior experience, she served as a General Manager and SVP for an international consulting firm. Her long-standing interest in architecture is demonstrated by a degree in architectural history and participation in several small-scale development projects in historic districts. As an early member of Landmarks, she was newsletter editor in the late 70s. She also serves on the Columbus Early Learning Center Board and is a member of the Brewery District Commission. Cynthia is co-chair of our Development Committee and Secretary of the Board.

George O'Donnel George O'Donnel is a licensed real estate broker specializing in tenant representation with clients serving as Vice President of Arshot Real Estate Services, LLC. George, a resident of Millersport, OH, has been active as Past President of Shamrock Club of Columbus and Columbus Commercial, Industrial and Investment Realtors Assn., and was founding president of Buckeye Lake for Tomorrow, Inc., founding chairperson of Friends of Cranberry Bog, Trustee of Columbus Metropolitan Club, member of Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ohio Environmental Council. During George's first term as Trustee of Columbus Landmarks Foundation he served as City Hop Co-Chair and remains active on that committee.

Daniel C. O'Harra is a Real Estate and Construction consultant specializing in both the Residential and Commercial industries. He recently worked with Casto concentrating on both residential and commercial projects along with commercial property management. Dan has spent most of his career in the retail industry with Federated Department Stores and May Company (Caldor), serving as a senior executive managing real estate, construction and operations. Dan has worked on projects involving Macy's, New York City building and recently was the project executive on the 8 on the Square/Broad & High project in Columbus for Casto. Dan, a graduate of The Ohio State University in Architecture, serves on our Preservation Services committee.

Jeffrey Porter is a Director of the law firm of Kegler Brown Hill & Ritter. He joined the firm in 2002 and practices in the areas of Government & Legislative Affairs, Health Care Regulation and HIT, and Land Use and Planning. He is a former Assistant City Attorney with the City of Columbus. He graduated with a B.A. in History from Muskingum University and received his J.D. from Capital University Law School. Jeff was selected as an "Ohio Rising Star" by *Law & Politics* Magazine and he is active with the United Way Young Leaders Group.

May 17, 2012

Friends & Members of Columbus Landmarks Foundation,

Though the city's 200th birthday is upon us, I am going to refocus this letter to an equally important birthday - our own. Columbus Landmarks Foundation turns 35 this year.

There are many members, past trustees, and founders who support the mission of this organization with their energy and resources. They have been committed to the principles of the organization for over three decades. This is an amazing testimony to the organization's ability to be a stable and positive influence in the community's culture. The organization continues to be revitalized with new members, new volunteers, and new ideas. Indeed, Columbus Landmarks Foundation values its members, volunteers, and the leadership of individual board members who make all the committees hum - and recognizes its exceptional staff: Kathy Mast Kane, Becky West, and Nathalie Wright.

Columbus Landmarks Foundation's ability to reinvent itself with new programs and impressive growth in partnerships continues. In addition to our familiar offerings, we have added new opportunities—Behind the Scenes at Shadowbox Live, an evolving City Hop, "So You Think You Know Columbus?" tours, new neighborhood and tavern tours, Sunday Parlor Talks at the Westin Great Southern Hotel, and Archi-journeys through Columbus's decades. A series of new books is coming, starting with *Historic Columbus Taverns*, available in early June. More bicentennial adventures are planned, and an important conversation with other Ohio preservation groups about vacant and abandoned houses is forthcoming.

This year, there is also a remarkable and delightful symmetry to Columbus Landmarks Foundation's beginnings in 1977 and a landmark that was founded in 1912. The Athletic Club of Columbus (ACC) turns 100 this year, celebrated in part with its recent listing in the National Register of Historic Places. It seems only fitting, as these two organizations mark milestone years, to highlight the role of Judge George C. Smith in both making the ACC historic designation happen and also in the creation of Columbus Landmarks Foundation.

As prosecuting attorney of Franklin County and strong proponent of our historic Union Station, Judge Smith took the lead in helping save the Arch of the 1897 Burnham-designed landmark from demolition in 1976. Despite hopes that the façade might be incorporated in a proposed convention center, demolition commenced late on a Friday night. Judge Smith retained the help of William Brownfield, who was in private practice, for an injunction against the demolition. On Saturday, partly through the providence of a heavy rain that slowed demolition, but mostly through his tenacity, Judge Smith personally delivered a temporary restraining order signed by Judge George Tyack to the demolition crew only moments before the main arch was to be struck down.

This event gave birth to a civic consciousness that created Columbus Landmarks Foundation. We acknowledge Judge Smith and all the compatriots involved. Many are active volunteers and members today, caring about Columbus in its bicentennial year by preserving its history and its landmarks.

Thank you all,

Doreen Uhas Sauer
President

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The Columbus Landmarks Board of Trustees represents an excellent cross section of the professional community, educators and historic neighborhood and downtown residents.

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Membership

Columbus Landmarks Foundation membership increased from 670 in 2010 to 695 in 2011. In 2012, Columbus Landmarks will continue to look for opportunities to expand individual and corporate membership. Members continue to receive benefits,

including discounts on tours and events, the *Cornerstone* newsletter and electronic mailings which keep members informed on issues related to preservation in the Columbus community.

Education

The Education Committee has been busy developing various existing and new education programs. Since early last year, we have continued our neighborhood walking tours program with over 20 unique tours! We brought back the very popular Illuminated Spaces: Sacred Places stained glass tours this year featuring African American churches. We continue to develop the popular series, Historic Tavern Tours, which are frequently sold out. We continue to expand our popular Ghost Tours and now offer a bus tour, Haunted Historic Tavern Tours, which was a great success.

In addition, Columbus Landmarks continues to be involved with new media and preservation projects. With a grant from the Ohio Humanities Council and private donations, we premiered Seth Moherman’s documentary, *The Citadel, Birth of the LeVeque Tower*, at the Westin Great Southern Hotel to a crowd of over 360 people! In conjunction with the film, we brought back the popular Forbidden City Tour which provided an exclusive behind the scenes look at the Leveque Tower and the Palace Theater, including Katherine Leveque’s private high-rise apartment.

Members of our committee were also interviewed on the WOSU Columbus Neighborhood films, providing great insight to various neighborhoods. We are continuing our partnership with the Historic Preservation Committee of the Athletic Club of Columbus and helping them plan and celebrate their 100th anniversary this year. We have also established a new walking tour program for out of town guests of the Westin Hotel (and Columbus residents) featuring tours of German Village, the Brewery District and downtown. Columbus Landmarks is also serving as partner and fiscal agent for the *Columbus Encyclopedia of Neighborhoods and Landmarks*. Committee members have also been very involved with the city's bicentennial event planning.

Throughout the year the committee has been involved with Professional Development in Columbus City Schools on architecture and history reaching over 100

2011 Volunteers

Columbus Landmarks thanks its many dedicated volunteers.

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Sandy Lehman
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Tony Slanec
Ryan Szymanski

Awards Committee

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James B. Recchie Award Screening Committee

Juror: Mark Feinknopf
Juror: Cleve Ricksecker
Juror: Patty Stevens
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Melanie Houston
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City Hop Committee

Co-Chair: Steve Shinn
Co-Chair: Kevin Wood
Tour Chair: Tom Betti
Cathy Appel
Michelle Chippas
Barbara Hackman
Dawon Hawkins
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George O’Donnel
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Ryan Szymanski

City Hop Event

Matt Adair
K Adamson
Terry Anderson
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Stephanie Bosco
Lynn Boyce
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Angela Dally
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Kari Palmer
Edward Phillips
Atiyaa Reed
Alysha Rhodes
Kasia Richey
Eric Roddy
Doreen Uhas Sauer
Ameya Schrimpf
Gregory Sekreta
Ann Seren
Elin Seren
Laura Shinn
Steve Shinn

Tony Slanec
Monica Stith
Jessica Swayze
Ryan Szymanski
Carla Thomas
Dee Townsel
Kaz Unalan
Michael Wilkos
Terri Williams
Alissa Ziemer

Treasures of Town Street Event

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Cleo Eddie
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Ellie West
Dan Woerner
Alissa Ziemer

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Heidi Harendza
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Stu Koblentz
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Tom Hogan
Alex Huber
Hungarian Village Society
Chris King
Elizabeth Khoel

Ed Lentz
Eric Lipschutz
Tom Linzell
Bob Loversidge
Roger McClen
Jason Modrey
Lisa Ohmer
Carole Olshavsky
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Franco Ruffini
John Sauer
Steve & Laura Shinn
Catherine Stroup
Carol Tomko
Alissa Ziemer

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Paul Bingle

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Preservation Services

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Mark Wagenbrenner

2011 Donations

Columbus Landmarks is grateful to those who supported our mission with gifts at the \$100 level and above.

Grants

National Trust for Historic Preservation
United Way of Central Ohio

\$5,000+

R. Todd Kemmerer,
Capitol Equities
Donna K. Laidlaw
Doreen Uhas Sauer & John Sauer

\$2000-4,999

Capitol South
Neighborhood Launch
Mary Rodgers

\$1000-1999

Capital Crossroads SID
The Columbus Foundation
Cynthia L. Hunt
Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing
Tower 10 LLC
Williams & Strohm, LLC

\$500-999

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Anthony Slanec
Kazim Unalan
Michael Wilkos

\$100-249

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James Werner
Carla Wilks

Thomas Young

In-Kind/Partnerships

The Athletic Club of Columbus
Claddagh Irish Pub
COSI
Columbus Museum of Art
C.O. Bigelow
Cup o' Joe, Lennox
Double Tree Suites Hotel
European Papers, Ltd.
Paul Bingle & Linda Paul
William Hugus
Hungarian Reformed Church
Hungarian Cultural Society
Hungarian Village Society
Eric Lipschutz
Adam Milligan – EquiVita
Mt. Vernon AME Church
Mary Rodgers, Moxie's
Opera Columbus
Orbit Design Inc.
Oxiem Interactive
Debbie Rosenfeld
Doreen Uhas Sauer
Sage Restaurant
Shadowbox Live!
St. Paul AME Church
Second Baptist Church
Union Cemetery
Union Grove Baptist Church
The Westin/ Great Southern Hotel
Pedro Zamora

City Hop Party Hosts

Sue Cass
Hugh Clark & Joan Simon
Katie & Willie Grové
Tom & Vicky Reidy
Debbie & Lee Rosenfeld
Mary Ann & Paul Scott
Will & Lana Tettelbach
Marilyn Vutech

teachers. In addition, we have several books on Columbus in the works by committee members through publisher History Press. We also continue to form new partnerships and add new tour stops to our popular Historic Tavern Tour series.

The Education Committee accomplishments would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our volunteers - a warm and special thank you to them! Thank you, also, to our sponsoring partners and businesses for making our education programs a reality.

Communications

Columbus Landmarks employs numerous communications tools to keep our members informed and to raise visibility and awareness. From our traditional print newsletter, *Cornerstone*, to e-news and social media, our staff and Board strive to educate and gather support for our programs and mission, and to engage the central Ohio community.

We have recently redeveloped our website with Orbit Design Inc. to better serve our members. The upgrade includes new features that make it easier to see the latest news and for staff to update and keep the content fresh. The site includes member and non-member generated content by way of comments and live social media feeds from Twitter, Facebook, Flickr and Pinterest. In addition, it's easier than ever to share our news with your friends by way of sociable links on every page (share!)

One of the best new features is a photo gallery that includes an array of Columbus architectural images taken by members like Eric Lipschutz. These images showcase the city's incredible architectural gems and will make you proud to be a member of Columbus Landmarks Foundation! If you ever take photos or video of our tours or events, please share them with us.

The new website is also helping us step up our fundraising efforts through user-friendly online membership & donation forms.

Lastly, the new website was built to be smart device compatible including a special mobi site for smart phone users... just in case you need to order event tickets on the go! Although we are still tweaking the site, we welcome your comments or suggestions.

Development

Mary Rodgers and Cynthia Hunt assumed leadership of the Development Committee mid-year. The duo quickly gathered a team of trustees to build a plan for raising funds for the organization. This plan has resulted in multiple concurrent initiatives, including refinement of the membership program, the start-up of individual and corporate giving programs, an annual schedule of development events, and ongoing grant applications for operations and various programs. In the spring of 2012, we worked with a class from the OSU John Glenn School on an assessment of our development program that resulted in several excellent recommendations, and we continue to work with an intern from this initiative.

In 2011, Columbus Landmarks held the widely attended Treasures on Town Street, in the stately Davis-Heer mansion. The event showcased the beautiful 1904 Chateausque mansion and the extraordinary Rookwood tile sunroom. Co-sponsors included Friends of Topiary Park, the Kelton House Museum & Garden, and Kappa Kappa Gamma Heritage Museum. More than 300 people attended the tour, shopped the Christmas bazaar and bid on silent auction items donated by friends of the sponsors.

Four more events have been scheduled for 2012, a cooperative venture in March with Shadowbox Live – America's largest residential theater in its new home in the Brewery District; the City Hop Progressive Party and Raffle in June, a special James B. Recchie Design & Preservation Awards program in the Lincoln Theatre in September, and the newest "Treasures" in December.

On the grants front, Columbus Landmarks continued with the previously awarded National Trust for Historic Preservation Partner-in-the-Field Program with additional support from United Way of Central Ohio. In 2012, we are also actively applying for other grants programs with multiple sources, including the Greater Columbus Arts Council and the Columbus Foundation.

Our long-term objectives continue to be to establish a sustained development program for Landmarks that has ongoing and diversified funding sources, to increase our funding for program, operations and staff support. Increasing your financial support will help us meet these ambitious goals. We appreciate your response when we reach out for funds -- and your participation in our excellent events and education programs. Please also

consider remembering Columbus Landmarks Foundation in your estate planning; if you have any interest in helping with any of these programs, please let us know.

City Hop

City Hop tour attendance and developer support was down for the second year in a row, resulting in lower than anticipated, but still profitable financial results. Two key event components - the City Hop Party & City Hop Raffle were successful in both bottom line and participation. As a result, for 2012, we are modifying the City Hop Event to continue the raffle of downtown weekend packages, and are hosting a unique City Hop Progressive Party on Friday, June 29. The progressive party will feature three exclusive downtown clubs: the Columbus Club, The Athletic Club of Columbus and the Capital Club.

James B. Recchie Design & Preservation Awards

Every year, Columbus Landmarks honors individuals and institutions that have made exceptional strides in promoting historic preservation and producing quality urban design in central Ohio. This year marked the 27th year for the James B. Recchie Design Award. The 2011 Awards Program was held at Franklin Park Conservatory. Please save the date for the 2012 Design & Preservation Awards to be held at the Lincoln Theatre on September 27.

The 2011 James B. Recchie Design Award was presented to the **Lincoln Theatre**, 769 E. Long St., owned by the Lincoln Theatre Association/CAPA and designed by Hardlines Design Company. The four other finalists for the James B. Recchie Design Award were **Cunz Hall**, 1841 Neil Ave., owned by The Ohio State University and designed by Jonathan Barnes Architecture & Design and MSI; **East High School**, 1500 E. Broad St., owned by Columbus City Schools and designed by Moody-Nolan, Inc. and Schooley Caldwell Associates; **One Neighborhood Condominiums**, 50 N. Fourth St., owned by Edwards Companies and designed by Brian Kent Jones Architects and Lupton Rausch Architects, Inc.; and **The Scioto Mile**, Civic Center Drive, owned by Columbus Downtown Development Corporation and Columbus Recreation & Parks Department and designed by MSI, 360 Architecture, Schooley Caldwell Associates, HKI, EMH&T, and Shelley Metz Baumann Hawk, Inc.

Preservation Award Winners:

Paul E. Young, Jr. Outstanding Students –Centennial High School Students, Hanford Village Legacy Project

Henry L. Hunker Urban Legacy Award – Citizens for a Better Skyline

Frederick J. Holdridge Outstanding Group – Weinland Park Community Civic Association and Habitat for Humanity, Greater Columbus

Dixie Sayre Miller Outstanding Patron – Judge George C. Smith and The Athletic Club of Columbus

Outstanding Person – Ed Lentz

James L. Keyes President’s Award – Franklinton: Carol J. Stewart; Franklinton Board of Trade; Franklinton Historical Society; Franklinton Library and Holy Family Church

Advocacy

Since the last annual meeting, the Advocacy Committee continued to testify on behalf of the UCT building in the Short North as well as to try to find a tenant for the Clinton Township School. The committee also met with Terry Foegler of OSU’s office of Physical Planning and Real Estate on establishing an advisory committee for historic building issues.

The Committee became actively involved in saving the historic interior spaces of Indianola Middle School last summer. Members attended a design charette with Columbus City Schools earlier this year that resulted in a solution that would preserve the most important spaces while accommodating the language immersion programs.

Grant funds were used to complete a compilation of historical information on the Deardurff House as well as dendrochronology testing by the College of Wooster, which confirmed that the logs were cut in 1807 or earlier. As a result, the Deardurff House remains the oldest house in central Ohio that is still in its original location.

Most recently, the Advocacy Committee developed the outline and format for the upcoming roundtable with preservation organizations statewide on Vacant and Abandoned Houses, which will be held in Columbus on May 23.

Preservation Services

The work of our Field Representative, a position funded in part by United Way of Central Ohio, the National Trust for Historic Preservation’s Partners-in-the-Field Program, and private donors continued. Nathalie Wright, hired in April 2011 as the new Field Representative, coordinated and conducted eight home

repair workshops. Reaching a total of sixty-four participants, Nathalie presented five exterior home repair sessions and organized three hands-on technical workshops. Taught by expert instructors, the technical workshops covered masonry repointing, wood repair, and window repair. Beginning with March Maintenance Madness, six workshops have already taken place in 2012, with more to be added. In 2012, an emphasis is being placed on partnerships with neighborhood associations to host the educational Investigating & Troubleshooting workshop.

In addition, the Field Representative worked with Habitat for Humanity of Central Ohio and several neighborhood organizations to further the message of historic preservation throughout Columbus’ older, but not historically designated, neighborhoods. In 2011, a case study about Columbus Landmarks’ previous collaborations with Habitat and the Weinland Park Neighborhood Housing Committee was added to the National Trust for Historic Preservation’s website, joining other case studies from around the country. Looking ahead for 2012, the issue of vacant and abandoned houses is being addressed in conjunction with the Advocacy Committee. The Field Representative has attended multiple conferences on the issue and Columbus Landmarks is hosting a preservation roundtable in partnership with Ohio’s two statewide preservation nonprofits.

In 2011, Columbus Landmarks continued its involvement with the Ohio History Service Corps of the Ohio Historical Society. In August, Jennifer Gariety completed documentation on 150 mid-20th century buildings, including a summary report. Her work was concentrated on two previously undocumented neighborhoods in particular, Hanford Village and Bide-A-Wee. In addition she recorded a few dozen noteworthy individual buildings. Andrew Neutzling was hired late September as the AmeriCorps member for 2011-2012. He is also focusing on the documentation of mid-20th century properties, including roughly two dozen downtown buildings. His survey activities also include the Northland Area, one of the five priority neighborhoods of United Way, which features housing stock that is predominantly post WWII.

Financial Report

Balance Sheet – Audited
As of December 31, 2011

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash	\$189,464
Accounts Receivable	<u>17,322</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>206,786</u>

Other Assets

Beneficial Interest in Assets Held by Others	<u>50,000</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>50,000</u>

Fixed Assets

Computer & Equipment	13,450
Furniture & fixtures	8,429
Less: Accum. Depreciation	<u>(21,879)</u>
Total Fixed Assets (Net)	<u>--</u>

TOTAL ASSETS \$256,786

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Fiscal Agent Payable	3,183
Deferred Revenue	<u>15,496</u>

TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES 18,679

NET ASSETS 238,107

TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS \$256,786

2011 Revenue Sources

