Note from Our Executive Director

THE POWER OF COLLECTIVE IMPACT ON SOCIAL CHANGE
Nearly 40 years ago a handful of people in Minnesota started down the path of building a community of supporters. In 2016, our 38th year, that handful has grown to thousands of supporters, thanks to people like you who understand the power of community. You’ve helped us build a coalition of more than 40 nonprofits that can claim successes like these:

- Reforming sexual assault laws;
- Outlawing 515 laws in Minnesota that allowed discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation;
- Promoting gender equality through the Women’s Economic Security Act;
- Reforming fair housing laws;
- Reforming drug-sentencing laws in the criminal justice system.

Community Shares of Minnesota needs your financial contribution to further fund the advancement of social justice and continue to win the ever-changing social justice battles. By giving to Community Shares of Minnesota, you are helping to build a brighter future through advocacy.

Community Shares provides an avenue for employers to stand up for change and encourage social responsibility in the community. I am sure many of you have heard that by the year 2020 nearly half of the workforce will be Millennials and they want to give back! Your financial support of Community Shares allows us to raise more money for our member organizations through workplace giving.

We raise much needed general operating funds for our member organizations that are working on the root of community problems rather than just treating the symptoms. Our members are organizing communities, changing assumptions, speaking truth to power, changing policy, and working every day to reduce inequalities and injustices. Help us provide the financial backing for over 40 organizations that make lasting change happen.

Thank you for helping us change the future,

Maureen Hartung

“PFLAG Twin Cities is grateful for being a part of Community Shares because it allows a much larger base of people to hear about our organization and have the opportunity to donate to us through CS.
Lynn Hill, PFLAG Board Secretary”

About Community Shares of Minnesota

MISSION
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**Impact and Outcomes**

The **West Bank Community Development Center** provided nearly 500 units of affordable workforce housing in the Cedar Riverside Neighborhoods in 2015, impacting nearly 3,000 individuals. Providing safe, affordable housing, creates stability, a vital contributor to a fair and just community.

The **Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault (MNCASA)** Prevention Program works to end sexual violence before it happens by changing the cultural norms and environment that are the root causes of sexual violence. In 2015 MNCASA worked with over 130 community leaders across the state, impacting thousands in each community.

The **Voices for Racial Justice**'s **Education Equity Project** is a community-based approach to closing our state's racial education opportunity gap. The goal: to begin closing the city's education opportunity gap by engaging community and education leaders in changing the policies and practices that perpetuate racial disparities in our schools. In 2015, nearly 5000 individuals across the state participated in this project.

The **Ten Thousand Things Theater** brought award-winning, high-quality theater to more than 7,000 people with little access to the wealth of the arts in 2015. They provide free performances at homeless shelters, correctional facilities, low-income senior centers, after-school programs, women's shelters, and locations in rural Minnesota — any place we can reach people who do not have easy access to the wealth of the arts!

Pioneering support for **grassroots** social justice in our community since 1978

Raised $21.5 million through workplace giving campaigns over the past 37 years

Creating a fair, just and equitable Minnesota

Connecting donors with progressive and community advocating members who are tackling difficult issues at their core
GIVING PARTNERS

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AchieveMpls
Advocating Change Together, Inc.
AFSCME Council 85
Alley Communications
Alliance for Metropolitan Stability
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Jewish Community Action
Kennedy & Graven Chartered
KFAI Radio, 90.3 FM & 106.7 FM
League of Minnesota Cities
Linden Hills Co-op
Macalester College
Mahoney Ulbrich Christiansen & Russ P.A.
McGrann Shea Carnival Straughn & Lamb
Metropolitan Council
Meyer Scherer & Rockcastle, Ltd.
Minneapolis Public Schools
Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women
Minnesota Council of Nonprofits
Minnesota Women’s Consortium
Missing Children Minnesota
Mounds View Public Schools
National Federation of the Blind
Minnesota
North American Council on Adoptable Children
Northern Lights Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)
PFLAG Saint Paul
PFund Foundation
Pohlad Family Companies
Project 515 Education Campaign
Project for Pride in Living (PPL)
Prudential Insurance Company of America
Public Radio International Inc
Quatrefoil Library
Ramsey County
Robbinsdale Area Schools
Rondo Community Land Trust
Roseville Area Schools
Saint Paul Port Authority
Saint Paul Public Housing Agency
Saint Paul Public Schools
Seward Co-op
Southside Family Charter School
St. Catherine University
State of Minnesota
Stinson Leonard Street
Sunrise Community Banks
The Saint Paul Foundation
Thomson Reuters
Three Rivers Park District
Travellers
UCare Minnesota
University of Minnesota
University of Minnesota-Duluth
University of Minnesota Physicians
University of St. Thomas
Venture Bank
Voices For Racial Justice
Walker Art Center
Washington County
Wells Fargo & Company
West Bank Community Development Corp
Western Bank
Hamline Mitchell College of Law
Winthrop & Weinstine P.A
Women Against Military Madness (WAMM)
Women Farm

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Kowalski’s Markets – Groceries for Good Causes
Minnesota Community Foundation - Mary and Paul Orman Fund
The Saint Paul Foundation - Delta Giordano
The Saint Paul Foundation - Lori Berg
The Saint Paul Foundation - Michael Conaboy
The Karen Viskochil Fund of the Minneapolis Foundation
Samsara Foundation
Shayna Berkowitz and Phyllis Wiener and Still Ain’t Satisfied, A Foundation With Attitude

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2015 Revenue
2015 Expenses

- Campaign Contributions, Net: $581,909 (542,480)
- Grants Received: $33,814 (50,702)
- Campaign Management Fees: $279,777 (211,992)
- Dues: $289,315 (362,269)
- Other Revenues: $55,242 (24,275)

Total Revenue: $1,220,058 (1,191,719)

- Grants to Agencies: $579,158 (581,496)
- Community Services: $541,645 (622,216)
- Management and General: $37,644 (35,389)
- Fundraising: $27,379 (25,737)

Total Expenses: $1,264,838 (1,246,838)

Change in Net Assets: $34,232 (73,119)
I have witnessed firsthand the positive impact funds from Community Shares have had on the people served by Rondo CLT. The affordable housing Rondo provides, allows new owners to find a better job, go back to school and become active in the neighborhood. It is a long term investment in people and the community.

Charles Bradley, Board President, Rondo Community Land Trust (CLT) Board of Directors