many voices,
ONE COMMUNITY
Dear Friends,

This 2015 annual report is about all of us—people in the community, Hope residents, staff, partners and donors. It is told in the words of people who are active in the community. We celebrate the power of an engaged community.

Many people know Hope for our beautiful buildings—places and spaces where people feel safe and welcome. The opening of the Rose in 2015 completed our vision for the South Quarter* development that has quality mixed income housing on all the corners of the intersection of Portland and Franklin Avenues. Along with more renovated buildings with affordable rents, gathering spaces and gardens there is a healthy new energy where there was devastation not so long ago.

The buildings are wonderful, but the real energy at Hope is from the hundreds of people who are involved as they create stronger lives and a stronger community together. We keep finding new ways to do this work and reach more of our neighbors. Where there is work left to do, we take action and lead for change. The work keeps getting stronger and our impact grows even beyond this neighborhood.

Thank you for lending your voice, your time and your energy.

With gratitude,

Mary Keefe,
Executive Director

Heidi Barajas,
Hope Community
Board Chair

“”It's a bunch of individual voices first, and then you get a groundswell, and then you can take it to a bigger thing. Our work is reflective of what we hear from the people.”

— Dhop Hopkins,
Organizer and Community Outreach Manager

*The South Quarter is a partnership between Hope Community and Aeon.
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ommunity places and spaces are important to us—hundreds of affordable rental homes, community gardens, playgrounds and other gathering spots tell us we are welcome here. At one time, our vision for beautiful buildings to fill the four corners of the intersection of Franklin and Portland Avenues was just a dream. This year, we realized our vision when the Rose* opened, providing homes for 90 more families to join our community. The Rose also created space for a new community gathering space—a 5,000-sq.-ft. teaching garden.

I live here. Everything I need is close by. I have a good neighborhood. But, this is not about what our individual wants and needs are. It’s about together as a community for the future.”

47 affordable apartments located in small Hope-renovated buildings
210 mixed-income rental homes in the South Quarter
7,500 square feet of community gardens
650 residents live in healthy, affordable homes and benefit from Hope’s Community Center, parks, playgrounds and other community assets

*The Rose is a partnership between Hope Community and Aeon.
“We use Community Listening to build a foundation of community connection. What we built was about something bigger than us.”
—Betsy Sohn, Director of Community Health and Resilience Initiatives

“At Hope we got more than we bargained for, we got a family.”
—Muna Abdirahman, Board member and past Hope resident

“The community garden brings people together... brings the community together. We expect others to take care of things for us. But in reality we have to be a part of that, find out what’s going on in our community and how we can make it happen.”
—Glenda Criss, Food Leader

Ifrah Warsame works with children at Twin Cities Childcare, located in the Wellstone Building, and leads the Zumba classes for community members twice a week at Hope. Her children attend Learning in Community to build their literacy skills and connect with caring college students and adults from the community. Now, Ifrah is bringing neighbors together as a leader and facilitator in Community Circles, a new series of conversations about health and living in the Phillips Community.

I live here. Everything I need is close by. I have a good neighborhood. But, this is not what we can—and will—do...
“Hope helped my son be more comfortable in his own skin. He’s more engaging. It helped him be a better student. You interactions will spark in a young person.”

We love this community and we want to stay here. Every year, hundreds of us come together at Hope to lift up what is great about our neighborhood and to solve problems where we have more work to do. In 2015, we led new initiatives like our Community Circles conversations, a summer leadership training for African American girls, a project that explored the connections between food and health, and more. We know we are stronger when we learn, lead and act together so all of us can all thrive.

169 learned, led and took action with Hope last year
150 people joined in year-round work to create better access to healthy foods and advance food justice
80 people gathered for Community Circles to surface ideas about issues most important to them
415 people participated in listening sessions about food justice, which resulted in our Feed the Roots report
16 young adults graduated from the 8-month SPEAC Civic Action Training
15 African American girls learned what type of civic leader they want to be in an 8-week Leadership Training
170 youth built advocacy and leadership skills while learning about art, literacy, gardening and healthy foods
979 people received tax assistance at Hope that returned $1,894,078 to the community*

*Partnership with Prepare+Prosper
I can see it in his expressions. I never know what those life interactions will spark in a young person.

“Hope is a lot of things that encompass love. I gravitate toward those things. People doing things for other people, with other people to enhance their lives. I can see the fruits of my efforts here.”

— Joe Banks, Food Leader

“Political leadership means that you have goals and that you believe you can create change.”

— Asata Wright, Age 15, African-American Youth Leadership Training Graduate 2015

“Community Circles are a way to give residents an opportunity to lead projects they want to see... This is about people feeling ownership. This is one of the many ways we listen, build capacity and develop leaders.”

— Khusaba Seka, Lead Organizer for Community Circles

Thirteen-year-old Kameron Courtney attended Hope’s Summer Leadership Camp last year. For many of the kids who go to summer camp through Hope, it’s the first time they’ve been away from home. We use the opportunity to connect youth to skills that will benefit them into the future. Kameron’s dad Gary said Kameron practiced leadership, increased his confidence, and improved his ability to communicate with peers and adults. “It helped him be a better student, a better person.”
“...Tons of different folks with little to no degree of organizing skills are pushing up their issues. We are not telling people what issues to work on as much as how we can develop a shared language, a shared analysis framework which.

We are loud and clear—you can hear us working for racial equity at the Minneapolis Parks Board, voicing our opinions about the future of Franklin Avenue, and sharing our expertise about community engagement. We are entrepreneurial—the Bush Foundation awarded us the 2015 Bush Prize for Community Innovation for constantly evolving our work, our approach and our impact. We expand our reach and our power by challenging unfair systems and offering our solutions for a better future.

5000 people joined Hope and our partners at Franklin Open Streets
139 parks and power leaders spent 656 hours working for park equity in Minneapolis in 2015
Dozens of community engagement experts learned new strategies from Hope and our partners
40 partnerships with other organizations strengthened our initiatives
“First it starts with personal power and that individual power and you recognizing it...I went through the organizing training and I’ve taken it back to my neighborhood where I live. Now I am a full-time organizer in Saint Paul.”
—Tia Williams, SPEAC graduate

“We are pushing out into the world where the connection between people’s health and community health intersect with our roads network, bike lanes, transit network, and pedestrian access around the neighborhood.”
—Will Delaney, Real Estate Strategy and Asset Manager

“I love that Hope is willing to go into the streets and talk to people. Hope brings in people who are part of the community and who are leaders in the community—let’s bring them in and get their opinions on what’s happening in Minneapolis.”
—Ashley Fairbanks, Community member and organizer

Chaka Mkali is Hope’s lead community organizer and an influential artist. He created SPEAC, our training and organizing program through which dozens of young artist/organizers—primarily people of color—develop their leadership. Chaka said Hope’s systems change work moves people to understand and exercise their own power. “We really want to advocate for people to advocate for themselves,” he said. “You have to have a genuine love of people and have a belief in their ability to win.”
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Front row: Dhop Hopkins, Char Madigan, Chaka Mkali, Khusaba Seka, Mary Keefe, David Gilbert-Pederson

Second row: Shawna Fankhanel Chavez, Brandon Bagason, Alisa Hoven, Jake Virden, Gwen Jenkins, Betsy Sohn, Malyun Yahye, Oduabaa, Will Delaney

Not pictured: Jackie Blakey, Bonita Ruiz, Eliza Severson, Anthony Emanuel

**STAFF, INTERNS AND WORK STUDY STUDENTS**

Hope recognizes the deep commitment of talented people who contributed to our work in 2015 and the partnerships that connected us to them.

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Hattie Reed

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Hope Community Interns
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Marwa Mohamed
Mohamed Omar
Erica Viola Atsons

**University of Minnesota Work Study Students**

Kiaria Taylor
Esther Okelola


**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**
For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

Support and Revenue:

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Change in Net Assets: 554,214

Net Assets and Equity—Beginning of Year: 6,143,989

Net Assets and Equity—End of Year: **6,698,203**

*Includes a one-time Bush Prize Award that will be used over three years for special projects.

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**
December 31, 2015

**ASSETS**

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**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS AND EQUITY**

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A dedicated team of Hope staff and over 220 volunteers are part of a continuum of opportunities that keep people engaged, inspired and rooted in community. We honor the contributions and impact Hope’s volunteers have had on our success this year. In 2015, the volunteers’ work equaled $172,521 in monetary value.
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With deepest gratitude we thank the donors here for believing in possibility. Because of you, a neighborhood once in despair is renewing and a strong community is growing. We honor you—our friends and partners. If you are one of our supporters and you do not see your name on our list, please contact Brandon Bagaason at (612) 435-1695 or bbagaason@hope-community.org.

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A Tribute to Andrew Thomas
By Chaka Mkali

Andrew Ronnell Julian Thomas was a Shining black angel smiling in the face of oppression and injustice. A dynamic, deep, compassionate, gentle soul far beyond his years who impacted everyone he came in contact with. His bright smile and deep joyous laughter put us at calm ease. He was a selfless warrior who yearned for the liberation of self and his people. Organizing, art, and culture were his weapons and means for freedom, justice, and equality.

He left us a guide map to the heavens. A glimpse of infinity, the strategies to win and the courage to fight. For him I will work much harder and smarter, and love and care as deep and grounding as the hugs he gave.

He will be remembered for his pure, light, warmth, humility, self-exploration, curiosity, and genuine love of people.
Mission

Hope Community creates connections that strengthen the power of community members and communities. We cultivate community leaders, build community capacity, care for the housing and community spaces we develop, and pursue equity and diversity in all we do.

Core Values

Respect. We believe in people. We relate to youth and adults as people, not clients.
Connection. We build relationships, the cornerstone of all our work.
Listening. We listen to all who engage with us. The realities we hear drive our planning and activities.
Co-creation. We encourage people to co-create projects, programs, places, opportunities— with us.
Equity. We pursue racial and economic equity in all our work to achieve equitable power, access, opportunities, treatment, impacts and outcomes for all.
Stewardship. We are responsible and accountable stewards of the natural, human, material and community resources invested in our work.
"As I look at the seasons of my life, and take time to see what has come to maturity, I am filled with gratitude for Hope Community and Soul Food Monologues—for helping me bring my story to maturity, and hopefully, to have helped and healed other people who are still struggling with the past, and to help them share their stories too!

As I look in the mirror of aging, I can be honest about the lessons and opportunities I have been given, and begin and maintain a balance in my life.

I ask myself: What is this season of my life preparing me for? When one door closes, another one opens! I am harvesting the lessons for the time ahead of me, and I know it will be better than before.

Transitions and change are necessary—without change one cannot flow with the never ending river of life.

I grew from inward to outward in the sharing of my story. It forced me into a new realm with a better understanding of my past, and the people, places and things in it. By sharing I was also given peace—I found sides of myself I didn't know I had."

So, Thank you, Everyone!

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Bonita Watkins, February 2016