Our 45th Year: Fortifying our foundation, sustaining our community

Year End 2022
A vibrant community economy

We know that local impact matters, and that local investments open opportunities to amplify our impact. As we commit to building our capacity, both internally and externally, we are grounded in our holistic approach to building health, wealth, power, and equitable systems. Through our partnerships and in our continued work with leaders and entrepreneurs in our community, we will continue leveraging investments to expand opportunities for developing community leaders as homeowners, as business owners, and as active participants in building and retaining community wealth.

“I feel ahead of my class because things I’m learning in college are things I’ve already learned at Hope (in the Teen Tech Center)… I can’t wait to see the generations behind me and what they’ve coming.”
—Aaliyah

Capacity Building

Entrepreneurship

Community Ownership

Listening & Learning

A strategic plan for impact as we begin the next 45 years

Hope’s work has always been grounded in a deep tradition of community listening, and the collective impact of donor support over the years has given us the ability to use what we learn to shift and grow. This year, our staff and board came together to recommit to listening and learning as the foundation of who we are, and a key guiding principle for how our work moves forward. As we took stock of where we are, 45 years into the experiment of Hope Community, we made a serious investment of time and intention this year to ensure our strategic guideposts honor this history as we move into the next 45 years. The four key themes that grew out of this process articulate a forward momentum that sustains a strong and healthy community, one that benefits new members just as much as those who have been here all along.

The sum is more than the parts. Thousands of people live, listen, learn, lead, and act together in many ways at Hope. It all adds up to lasting individual and community capacity, and a stronger and healthier community.
Creating connections that strengthen community well-being

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