

# 2021 ANNUAL REPORT



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# East End

## United Community Center

**2021**

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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**STEVE STRANGE**



Dear East End Community Members,

While 2020 was a test in resiliency, 2021 was more about building a better future. The 46th year since the inception of East End United Community Center saw us refine our focus and take further strides in best serving our community. And, as always, the amazing hard work and generosity of our staff, board members, volunteers, donors, participants, and partners made it possible.

While the pandemic certainly provided challenges in 2021, we were ready to adapt. EEUCC continued to provide thousands of meals and emergency relief supplies to those in need in our community, but now also did so through a monthly food pantry. We served hundreds of students through our daycare, truancy mitigation services, and out-of-school time programming and were able to resume field trips and conduct weekly cooking classes. We made new partnerships, initiated fresh programs, and continued to grow as an organization.

In looking ahead, we will continue to offer unique opportunities for the children and families in our community through grant funding geared to students with hands-on learning opportunities. Gardening, grief support groups services, and financial and career education classes are some of the initiatives in which groundwork was laid in 2021. We will continue to embrace partnerships with organizations such as Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration and Fayette County Children & Youth Services. And we will renovate our community center to expand programming.

As you will read in the following pages, there are a lot of good things that happen at East End. The stories in this report will outline some of the ways East End positively impacts the local community and shed some light on how we will continue to make a difference.

The efforts of all East End community members have allowed us continued growth and success, and for that I am grateful. Thank you all for all that you do!



*Steve Strange*

**Steve Strange**

Executive Director

East End United Community Center



# GOODTIMES!

Through the 21st Century Community Learning Center grants in 2021 EEUCC served students from Uniontown, Albert Gallatin, and Central Greene school districts providing them with a multitude of activities throughout the course of the week including ty-dyeing, art projects, building birdhouses, gardening, cooking classes, yoga, and much more. With the United Way Summer Discovery Grant EEUCC was able to take a variety of field trips that included visits to Triple B Farms, Hutchinson Sportsmen's Club, Ohio Pyle State Park, The Bruderhof, Footprints Farm, Laurel Caverns, and Touchstone Center For Crafts. The kids and staff really enjoyed summer 2021!





# 2021 At A Glance



**IN 2021**  
**359**

**HOUSEHOLDS WERE PROVIDED WITH DIAPERS THROUGH OUR EEUCC DIAPER BANK THROUGH A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DIAPER BANK**



**\$30,000**

**RECEIVED IN FUNDING FROM FARM TO SCHOOL GRANT IN 2021**



# 2021 At A Glance



## 6,837

**Nutritious meals and snacks were provided  
by EEUCC in 2021**





# Out-of-School Time

**268** Students served in out-of-school time programs across Fayette & Greene counties



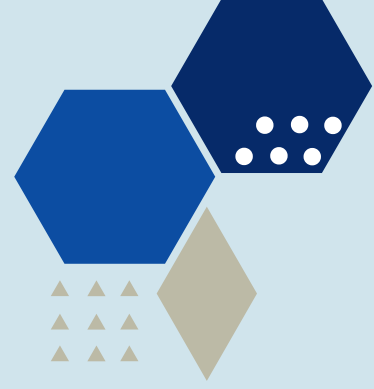
# Little Legends Daycare

**23** Children received childcare at Little Legends Daycare



# 2021

## EEUCC Featured Employee **Nicole Reams, Truancy Supervisor**



**Nicole started with Connect to Classrooms Truancy Mitigation Services in 2016 to develop their program, which was geared towards middle school students (grades 6-8) and elementary or high school students in special cases.**

**In 2019, Nicole merged with EEUCC to provide these services in Fayette County for Brownsville, Frazier, Belle Vernon, Connellsville, and South Moreland school districts.**

**Before Connect to Classrooms, Nicole chose to get into the truancy alleviation profession because she likes children and wants to assist in keeping them in school to receive a proper education.**

**With Nicole's help this program has worked 547 open cases from 2016 until 2021.**

**Nicole loves seeing the change in children from when she first meets them to when they are back in school, doing well in their classes, and are successful in the school system.**

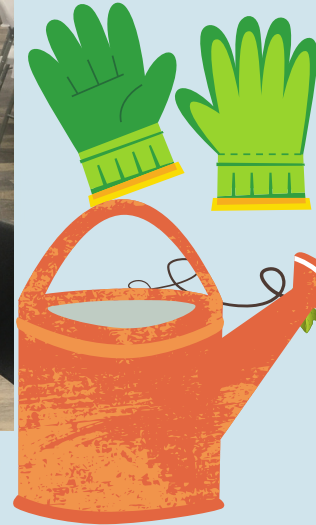
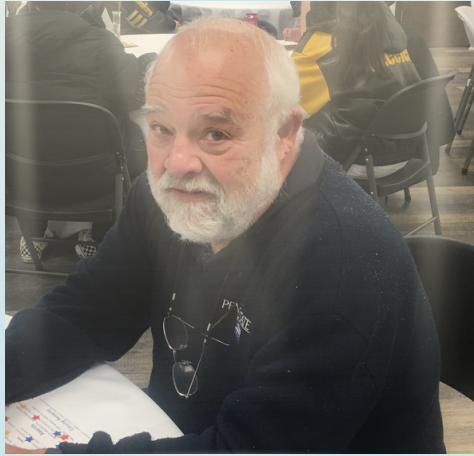
**On behalf of EEUCC, thank you for all you do to help the community, Nicole!**



# 2021

## EEUCC Spotlight

### Dave Meredith, Master Gardener



**Dave is the lead volunteer for our Giving2Grow grant and has been exceptional in making the EEUCC Community Garden flourish. Dave said he had been looking for a place to grow okra and when he happened to drive by EEUCC one day he noticed the land across from the Center, stopped in to inquire about it, and the rest is history. Dave helped East End plant our first garden with the assistance of our out-of-school time students. Dave jokes around and says he is a gardener because it is a cheaper hobby than golfing, but in actuality, just from speaking to Dave on the regular, you can tell that he truly is a plant enthusiast. Dave is a walking encyclopedia when it comes to gardening. He is very passionate at his hobby and, with the way the garden looks, you can clearly see that. One of the things Dave likes best about gardening is gaining mental strength from challenging himself to learn about growing different types of plants, vegetables, and fruits. Dave also mentioned that he gained knowledge over time that soil has microbes in it that your body absorbs as you work in the garden and they make you happy! Dave, thank you for being so well-informed about cultivating gardens and being able to help our community enjoy fresh produce and beautiful scenery.**



# BOARD MEMBER FOCUS



## Anita Walters, Board Secretary

**Anita Walters is EEUCC's 2021 featured board member. She was born and raised in Rochester, Pennsylvania and over time migrated to the Uniontown area. Anita has been involved with East End for almost 40 years. She then joined the EEUCC Board of Directors in 2002. Anita wanted to be affiliated with EEUCC to support programs for children in the community. Her favorite part about being on the board and volunteering is helping enrich the lives of children. Anita hopes to see EEUCC continue to improve the futures of all members in our community. Anita, on behalf of EEUCC, we cannot thank you enough for your time and dedication.**



# 2021 FINANCIALS

## Expenses

Management and Fundraising  
8% **\$69,224**



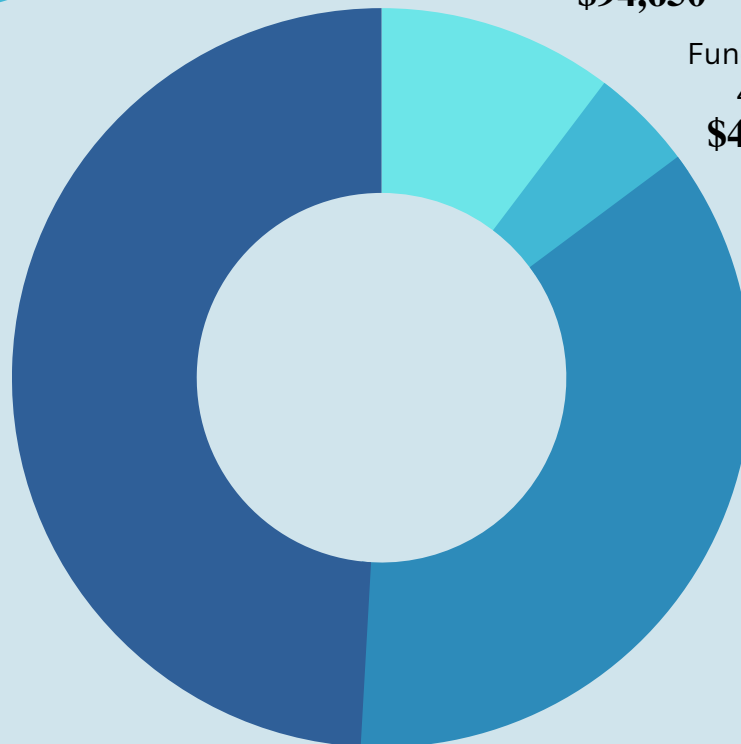
Programs  
92%  
**\$786,080**

Government Grants  
49.1%  
**\$454,021**



## Revenue

Foundations  
10.3% **\$94,650**



Fundraisers  
4.5%  
**\$41,998**

Program Revenue  
36.1%  
**\$333,819**



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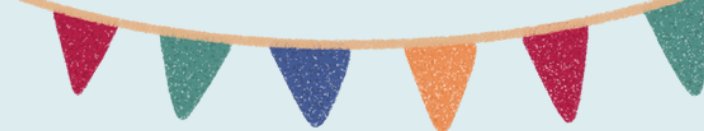
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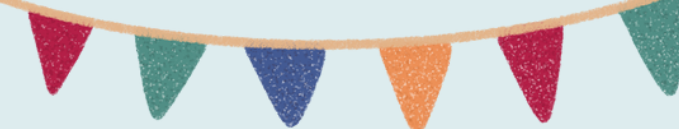
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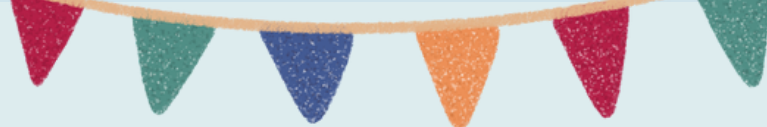
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