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2017

ANNUAL REPORT



HOME



URBAN EDGE
Building Community

2017 BY THE NUMBERS

BUILDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN EGLESTON & JACKSON SQUARES

112 AFFORDABLE RENTAL UNITS IN THE NEW CONSTRUCTION PIPELINE

49 UNITS UNDERWAY AT WALKER PARK



STABILIZING HOUSING FOR FAMILIES

613 FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER GRADUATES



1,503 FAMILIES WITH BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUPPLIES, CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY GIFTS AND THANKSGIVING TURKEYS

IMPROVING PUBLIC HEALTH

20 FAMILIES BONDING WITH EACH OTHER AND PREPARING THEIR CHILDREN FOR PRE-K

65 FAMILIES IN A STUDY THAT MEASURES THE IMPACT OUR HOUSING SUPPORT SERVICES HAVE ON HEALTH



BUILDING ECONOMIC RESILIENCY

30 FAMILIES ENROLLED IN PUBLIC BENEFITS

107 BORROWERS COUNSELED ON STUDENT LOAN DEBT

97 COUNSELED ON FAMILY FINANCIAL LITERACY

146 CREDIT COUNSELING BOOT CAMP GRADS

678 FAMILIES RECEIVING TAX PREP SERVICES



CREATING LEADERS

30 YOUTH PLACED IN SUMMER JOBS



103 RESIDENTS ENGAGED IN LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

428 PLEDGES TO VOTE IN 2017 ELECTION

2017 BY THE STORIES



Urban Edge resident leader, **Judith Lamb**, was honored as an Unsung Heroine of Massachusetts for her outstanding leadership in the Wardman community since a 2011 fire destroyed her building. Nominated by State Representative Liz Malia, The Unsung Heroine award highlights women across the state whose contributions to their community may not make the news, but deserve public recognition. To cap off an excellent year, the Wardman/Walnut Washington resident group, led by Ms. Lamb, was honored at the annual National Night Out event with the

Boston Police District E-13 2017 Crime Watch Group of the Year award for reducing crime, improving quality of life, while promoting peace and unity in their neighborhood.

Community Engagement Officer **Sahar Lawrence** was recognized by Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD) as a Community Hero this year for her work in the Roxbury/North Dorchester neighborhoods. The ABCD Community Hero award recognizes leaders that make a lasting difference in their communities. In addition to the award, Sahar participated in the Harvard T. Chan School of Public Health's Leaders in Health Program. The eight-week long program introduced community public health workers to the field, including teaching the fundamentals of program design, culminating in a capstone event.



Gina Marie and **Jean Joseph** began their path to homeownership when they attended Urban Edge's Haitian Creole First-Time Homebuyer Class. With counselor Gercide Luc by their side, the couple began following a budget, building credit, and reducing debt.



After months of work, the couple paired up with CUE Realty agent Sonia Alleyne. Sonia found the couple a house, with which they fell in love. Unfortunately, the house failed inspection. The seller was not willing to address the defects, so Gina and Jean walked away. After moving along to find new homes with Sonia, Gina and Jean learned the seller of the first home was now willing to address the issues. Because of their diligence and Urban Edge's guidance, they were able to purchase their dream home.

FINANCIALS

Unrestricted operating results for the year ended December 31, 2017
(Unaudited)

\$363,535

INTEREST AND OTHER

\$674,704

PROJECT MANAGEMENT
AND DEVELOPER FEES

\$1,008,142

PROJECT GAINS AND
RECOVERIES, NET

REVENUE
\$4,722,376

\$1,646,780

GRANTS AND
CONTRIBUTIONS

\$1,029,215

PROGRAM SERVICE FEES

\$171,922

PROGRAM EXPENSES

\$173,551

OFFICE OPERATIONS

\$247,373

CONSULTING AND
PROFESSIONAL FEES

\$267,291

OCCUPANCY

\$61,898

EVENTS & MEETINGS

\$135,971

OTHER

\$2,848,868

PERSONNEL AND
RELATED

EXPENSES
\$3,906,874



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of Massachusetts Bay
and Merrimack Valley



Urban Edge is dedicated to strengthening communities and families. Together we build affordable housing and vibrant, prosperous neighborhoods.