



**IT TAKES
A VILLAGE**



A MESSAGE TO OUR COMMUNITY

It is with great joy and excitement that I present to you the first annual report for MOLO Village CDC. I am honored to champion programs in Russell working with volunteers and organizational partners to transform lives of people in our community. Since 2011, MOLO has been supporting the community predominately through volunteers, individual donations, and through the space sharing with St. Peter's UCC.

MOLO is actively establishing new partnerships with community stakeholders through formal MOU's and partnership agreements in an effort to increase the number of resources available to the Russell residents. In 2014 MOLO began it's seven-week Emotional Life Skills Program at Community Transitional Services. From 2014 to 2017, over 300 men participated in this program. In 2018, the program was expanded to a 12-week comprehensive program including basic educational skills, emotional life skills, computer basics, money management and banking, mindfulness, meditation and art therapy. Also a 12-month pilot program was created to prepare clients that achieve 160 credit hours in 12 months for possible home ownership. In 2018, MOLO was awarded an Americorp grant for four VISTA members to help MOLO become more sustainable through fundraising, marketing and data retention. In preparation for expansion, MOLO also began a program to prioritize fundraising.

Since much of the programming of MOLO has been hosted at the St. Peters' UCC temporary space, we have not been able to expand services to fully meet the needs of the Russell residents. As part of the vision to expand MOLO into its own space, as well as provide economic development in the Russell Community, we at MOLO are excited about the pending construction of our newly developed 30,000 sq ft office and retail space, the Village @ West Jefferson Street. This space will not only include the MOLO headquarters, but also other amenities needed to enhance our community. We are truly inspired to be on a team that has collectively raised over \$1.5M dollars to finance this project.

As we look to the future, MOLO will continue in our commitment to support existing residents in this community so that they can benefit from the CHOICE investment as we at MOLO continue to be a part of the transformation.

Rev. Dr. Jamesetta Ferguson

President and CEO

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FUELING OUR WORK

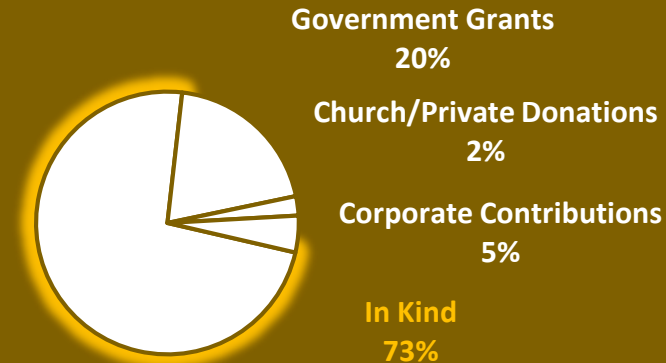


VOLUNTEERS

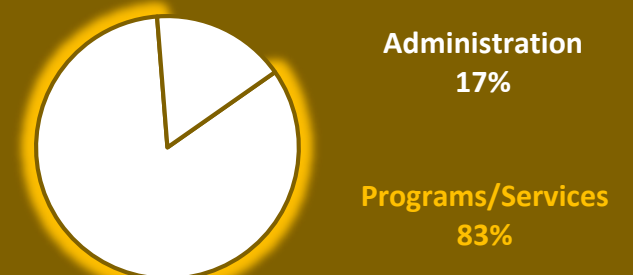
	108 PEOPLE
	6,157 HOURS
	192K VALUE

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

FUNDING



EXPENSES



MOLO'S HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2018

SUBSTANCE ABUSE GROUPS



156 group sessions
Over 6,500 visits

NEW PILOT REENTRY PROGRAM*



300 hours volunteering
843 hours building life-skills

CREDIT AND WEALTH BUILDING



\$31K loans in 2018
\$164K invested to-date

SENIOR PROGRAMMING



200 days of engaging activities
4,075 meals

YOUTH PROGRAMMING



250 backpacks and school supplies
Over 450 participants in annual resource festival

NEW INITIATIVES IN 2018

Community Panel Discussions, Community Resource Fairs, Expungement Clinics, New Pilot Reentry Programs*

WITH PURPOSE

MOLO Village CDC is grassroots organization committed to addressing some of the complex issues that face the Russell community. Our primary goal is engaging our residents in holistic approach.

MISSION

MOLO's mission is to transform, empower, and renew the lives of those who we serve through education, community service, advocacy, and healthy living.

VISION

MOLO's vision is to support the growth of healthy, engaged and productive residents prepared to take their families and their neighborhood on a path to prosperity.

** In 2018, MOLO revisited the reentry program format in response to funding and stakeholder feedback. MOLO expanded the 7-week life skills course to a 12-week course. In addition, MOLO created a 12-month course with a mentoring component. These changes were piloted this course starting in July 2018 and will be expanded in 2019.*

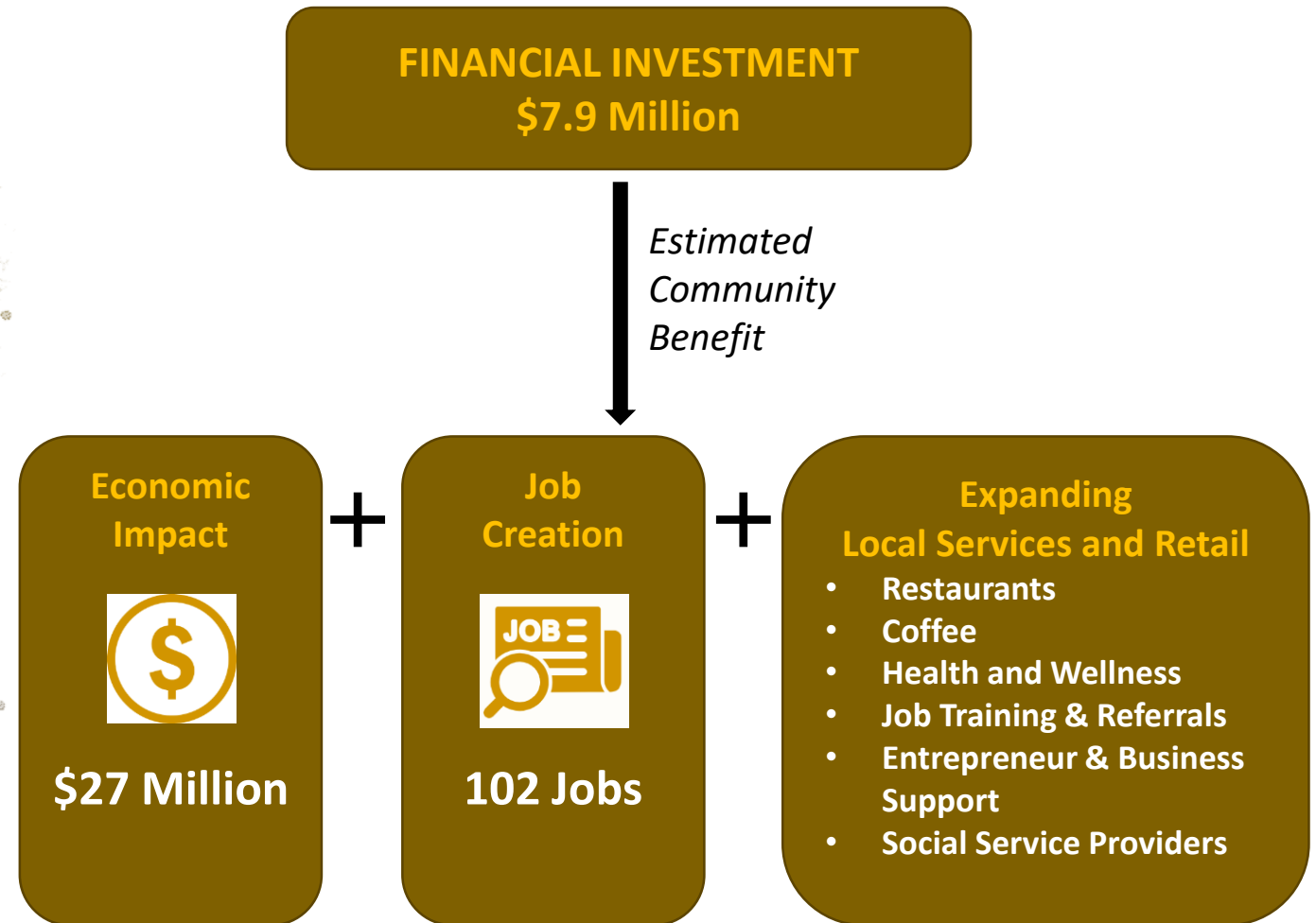
The Village @ West Jefferson



Coming Soon!

MOLO'S CONTRIBUTION TO NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION

MOLO Village CDC is sponsoring the development of the Village @ West Jefferson, a mission-aligned 30,000 SF mixed-use facility to fill gaps in community goods and services. Through this project we are securing outside investments from foundations, government agencies, lenders, and other partner organizations to make a long term impact.



PLAN FOR IMPACT IN 2018 THROUGH 2023



- ⚙️ **Contribute to the transformation of the Russell Community** | Utilize strategic partnerships to develop a mixed-use building that will serve as a tool to fill retail and service gaps
- ⚙️ **Ensure that the existing community residents can participate in and benefit from the revitalization of Russell** | Strengthen organizational capacity | Expand resident access to credit and wealth building services that will allow them to be prepared for housing and entrepreneurial opportunities created by revitalization | Provide enhanced opportunities that engage our seniors in healthy living | Connect Russell children and youth with resources that positively impact families
- ⚙️ **Engage and support returning citizens to become productive citizens in the community Russell** | Expand life skills training and counseling services | Expand access to recovery groups



THANK YOU!

FOUNDATIONS PARTNERS

Gheens Foundation
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PNC Foundation

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Louisville Metro Office of Resilience

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VT Revue Band

FAITH-BASED PARTNERS

St. Peter's UCC, Louisville
Church Building and Loan Fund
Christ Church, United Methodist
First Christian Church of Louisville
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