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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR And BOARD PRESIDENT

As we approach QCP's 70th Anniversary, we proudly reflect back on all that has happened since the agency was founded in 1950. We continue to have a diversification of services offered, and an increasing integration of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities into their communities.



Terri Ross, Executive Director

Some of our programs support adults who were students in our Children's Center. We are also proud of those whom we now see less often as they are on their own and we consider it a success when this is possible.

If there is one message that comes through loud and clear it is that none of us – service providers, service recipients, or their families – can be complacent or can feel that an entitlement to the current level of services exists. It is essential that we are in contact with our elected representatives and with others in government to tell them we cannot see a reduction in the services which have enabled so much progress over the past 70 years.

QCP continues to be a place where skilled, dedicated, caring staff make life better for people with significant challenges every day.



Sometimes we celebrate milestones like getting a job or an apartment, or being able to walk without assistive devices. At other times it's sharing a smile with someone who may be non-verbal, but with whom we can communicate nonetheless.

In spite of an increasingly tight fiscal environment, it's this commitment to the agency's mission that makes QCP the strong, well-respected agency that it is, and will continue to be.

Michael J. Macaluso, Board President

SERVICES

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

- APPLE Pre-School
- Early Childhood Direction
 Center
- Universal Pre-Kindergarten
 for All
- Family Support Projects
- Equipment Loan Program



ADULT SERVICES

- Article 16 Clinic
- Day Habilitation
- Residential Services
- Community Connections Seniors Program
- CareerPrep Program
- Community Pre-Voc
- Supported Employment
- Transition Program
- Family Support
- Residential Habilitation





MISSION STATEMENT

Queens Centers for Progress is committed to providing person-centered services and supports to children and adults who have developmental disabilities. The goal of these services and supports is to promote independence, community involvement, and quality of life.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Queens Centers for Progress will:

- 1. Provide individually-designed services which will maximize:
 - independent decision-making capabilities,
 - integration into community life,
 - daily living, educational, and work-related skills.
- 2. Advocate for the rights and entitlements of persons with developmental disabilities. Demonstrate our commitment to these rights by always treating

those who use our services, and their families, with dignity and respect.

- Engage in community outreach and public education to further 3. awareness of the agency's services, and the positive role played by persons with developmental disabilities.
- 4. Establish relationships with community and governmental organizations involved with services to people with developmental disabilities.
- 5. Attract, train, and retain staff who are committed to providing services of consistently high quality, who are compensated fairly for their work, and who are treated with respect.
- Operate the agency in a manner which demonstrates adherence to 6. high ethical standards and assures financial stability, and thereby protect the ongoing ability to carry out the agency's Mission.





- QCP continues to be a major employer in Queens.
- This year Team QCP raised over \$40,000 for QCP's programs.
- The Children's Center served over 110 children including over 20 students in inclusionary classes.
- 35 children were "adopted" by QCP staff and a few families received gifts including furniture and clothing from generous community donors including the Garden City Public School staff during the holidays to bring more joy to the families.
- 180 persons with intellectual/developmental disabilities continued to be employed through Supported Employment.
- Individuals from QCP's Day Services Program volunteered in the community at SNAP, North Shore Animal League, local churches, schools, bakeries, retreat houses and libraries. This helps promote job readiness skills.
- Individuals with severe developmental disabilities participated in community activities including the YMCA gym, a running club, and Zumba classes.
- This year the Eastern Adult Tennis Foundation continued their support of QCP's Day Services Tennis Program.
- Community Pre-Voc continues to help individuals take the next step in obtaining employment by volunteering in 18 community sites.
- 248 families have benefited from our "Family First" program which permitted funding for respite, medical, and equipment needs in times of crisis.
- In our Article 16 Clinic: 1.427 visits were rendered. 99 individuals received free clinical evaluations under the Family Support Grant.
- QCP's Family Support Services-Non-Medicaid Case Management served 98 • individuals and families secure Medicaid eligibility and get referrals to OPWDD services and other services.
- QCP's Article 16 Clinic at Bellerose continues to provide access to clinical services including Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech, Psychology and Nursing.
- 25 individuals participated in weekly track workouts with Achilles International's Queens Chapter and the St. John's Women's Track Team.





Support & Revenue

Public Support

	Contributions	\$ 28,963	
	Special events	1,047,869	
	Government grants	533,972	
Total Public Support		1,610,804	4.38%
Program Revenue		35,161,066	95.61%
Interest Income		38,782	0.01%
%			
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVEN	UE	36,810,652	100%
	Expenses		
Clir	nical & coordination services	2,316,621	6.28%
	Adult day services	11,007,055	29.82%
	Vocational services	2,898,014	7.85%
	Residential services	12,664,769	34.31%
	Children's Center services	5,052,523	13.69%
Program Services		33,938,982	91.95%
	Management and general	2,686,314	7.28%
	Fundraising	292,360	0.79%
Supporting Services		2,978,674	8.70%
TOTAL EXPENSES		36,917,656	100%
Change in Net Assets from Operations		(107,004)	
Assets		17,975,158	
Liabilities		-8,218,447	
Net Assets		9,656,711	



DURING THIS YEAR.....



Congratulations to Ralph, Andres, and Argenys as well as staff member, Indira, who were recognized for their volunteer work at the Veterans Hospital in June.

This year's Gala was especially fun with "Summer of '69" as the theme. Honorees included Douglas Meyer, Francine Salomon, Nancy Vargas and Hon. David I. Weprin. Individuals enjoyed taking "selfies" with backgrounds including the '69 Mets, Lunar





In June, QCP hosted a luncheon to welcome this year's Golf sponsors and honoree, Ro Rodriguez, Regional VP, NJ Metro for The Home Depot. It looks like Ms. Rodriguez made some good friends at the Children's Center during her visit.





QCP celebrated their renovated lobby with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in July. Special thanks to Michael Macaluso, of MJM+A Architects, Caesarstone USA, Penn Fabricators, Arley Wholesale and Tiles Unlimited who helped by donating supplies and services. A grant from DASNY also provided funding for this much needed uplift for our new lobby which embodies the multi-service health model that QCP has adopted. QCP's awesome artists were featured again this year at Resorts World Casino NYC "Red Wall Gallery." The 2 month show featured work by QCP's Day Services Programs.





QCP held another Natalie Rogers "Getting It Done" Award Ceremony in June. There was also a Vincenzo Armano "Award of Excellence" and an "Executive Director's Award" given out. Congratulations to all recipients!

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