

## LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Strength of place. White Center is the place. 2018 for the WCCDA was a year of ensuring that voices of our community continued to drive the narrative of how we work together in respectful and inclusive ways while lifting the value of racial equity in every way in all our lives. Pushing against the negative tones that have been perpetuating racism, bigotry and oppression at a national level has had an impact on our lives right here in our neighborhoods. We continue to be direct with our actions and in our messages. These disparaging subtleties will be addressed head-on with love and compassion because we know who we are as a community; White Center deserves this.

Once again, community work is not for the weak. WCCDA is strong, because White Center is strong. We truly believe in strength of place. Thank you White Center for your guidance in our work moving forward!

In solidarity!

Sili.

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## WHITE CENTER CDA ANNUAL REPORT 2018

Connecting People & Place to Build Community

## WHAT WE DO

#### Family Development

The White Center Family Education Council is officially one year old! We had our first event in 2018 where White Center families came together to support one another in navigating the school system. We are looking forward to building strong partnerships with our schools to make sure every school in White Center is a place where every student succeeds!

Our Early Learning Connectors help parents and children make playtime a time to learn and build community with other families in White Center. In 2018, Early Learning Connectors facilitated over 570 hours of Play & Learn in Vietnamese, Spanish, English and Somali, with more than 100 parents/caregivers and 160 children attending.

Started in 2018, our Native Play & Learn served native families through the values, languages, and teachings of our indigenous communities. With more than 80 community members attending the last two learning circles of 2018, our Native Family Learning Circle community is also continuing to grow stronger.

Family Success Partners at White Center Heights Elementary School, Mt. View Elementary and Cascade Middle School provide on-going assistance to families in need, serving as liaisons and advocates to ensure that family's needs are met. Family Success Partners provide services such as translation support, referrals to meet basic needs, and on-going advocacy for about 60 English, Vietnamese, Somali, and Spanish speaking households.



# Community Building & Neighborhood Revitalization

The WCCDA relies upon the voices of White Center residents to help us direct policy and design programs that address the needs of the community. We work with residents and community partners to promote affordable housing, link tenants and homeowners to local home repair and home ownership resources, and ensure that the voices of the community are included in the creation of policy and future developments in White Center. Highlights of our programs include:

- The White Center to White House internship program included 50 high school and middle school students who value the need to make changes for the betterment of the community and are committed to growing together as a group of youth leaders.
- The 2018 "Stronger Voices!" Summit was attended by over 150 residents and community partners in a diverse multicultural celebration of community. Highlighting the Communities of Opportunity (COO) work in White Center, community members engage in conversations around COO's priority areas of community connections, housing, health, and economic opportunity.
- The WCCDA helps promote active living and community engagement by organizing events like the 5K Walk N'Run and Refresh. In 2018, over 300 community members attended the 5K Walk N'Run. Over 110 community members volunteered their time to plant in community gardens, remove graffiti and trash, and paint murals and signs in the 2018 Refresh.
- The WCCDA works with local small businesses to promote economic development and growth without displacement. We reach out to local businesses and promote partnerships and collaborations with other non-profit organizations that serve White Center. The voices of residents and business owners have always driven revitalization priorities, and the WCCDA will continue to work together for the continued growth of White Center.
- Formed in 2017, the Neighborhood Advisory Council consisted of 26 community members that met monthly to provide their perspectives and input on designing a Family Resource Center and affordable housing at the former Public Health building/WC Food Bank building.

## 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

	(Unaudited) 2018
Assets	\$344,451
Liabilities	\$49,045
Net Assets	\$295,406
SUPPORT & EXPENSES	
Support & Revenue	\$868,497
Expenses	
Program	\$768,368
Administrative	\$313,410
Fundraising	\$85,477
Total Expenses	\$1,167,255
Change in Net Assets	-\$298,758

### **2018** Revenue and Expenses



#### 2018 Assets & Liabilities

