# ANNUAL REPORT 2018

### MARTINEZ STREET WOMEN'S CENTER

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# A NOTE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we enter our 20th year of transforming communities through women and girls, I wanted to take a moment to honor our history and share our vision for the future.

From our roots on Martinez Street, to our current home at Lockwood Park, we have always thrived on building deep and intentional relationships with our students and program participants, because we know that community and community building are the basis for genuine movement and positive change.

As the needs of our neighbors have grown and evolved, so have we. This year, we have been deeply and strategically planning for the next few years, and we are excited that so many of our community members have been engaged, invested, and along with us in this journey.

Our vision for the future is one that includes true liberation for women and girls, where women and girls of color are empowered to positively affect change for themselves, their families and their communities. To that end, we will continue to provide excellent youth development programs focused on social justice, transformative community health services that truly serve the needs of our communities, and opportunities to engage in advocacy and organizing.

To our funders, circle of friends and MSWC family, thank you for your generosity and continued support of The Martinez Street Women's Center. We are honored to serve and walk with you.

We look forward to 2019 and beyond, and we look forward to continue to build community with each of you.

In Solidarity,

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The Martinez Street Women's Center transforms communities through women and girls by providing access to vital health services, quality education, and advocacy. We envision a world where women and girls achieve empowerment, equity, and justice.

#### **OUR PROGRAMS**

Girl Zone provides girls opportunities to EXPLORE their world, the tools to ACHIEVE their dreams, and the platform to INSPIRE their peers.

Youth-led Participatory Action Research: What is it? Youth-led Participatory Action Research is an innovative approach to positive youth and community development based in social justice principles in which young people are trained to conduct systematic research to improve their lives, their communities, and the institutions intended to serve them.

Community Health strengthens communities by utilizing assets to create woman led programming. Together, we increase access to essential healthcare services, educational tools, and support positive change for our communities.

Woman Zone (woman led research and community building project) Breast Health Education Clinical breast Exams/Mammogram referrals Parent Zone (Positive Parent Program) Pathways HUB care coordination Mother/Daughter workshops Basic Needs MSWC Community Garden Project



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#### OUR PROGRAMS cont.

#### MSWC Radio Project KMSW 101.5FM

Universidad Sin Fronteras Campus The USF's mission is to embody and reflect the principles, concerns, and ethics of global people's struggles. The USF is a public and accessible space for education that advances systemic social change.

The USF works with social movements, organizations, and individuals:

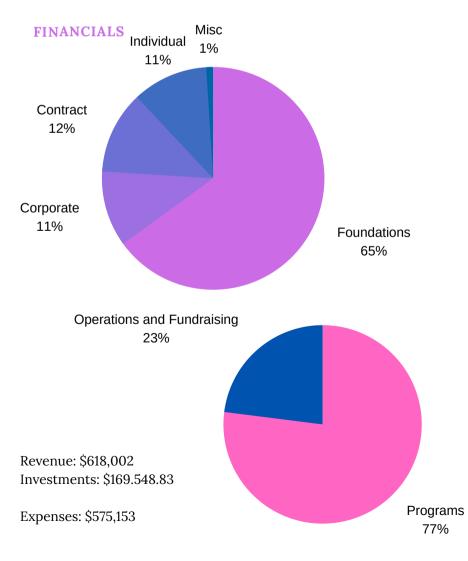
To provide inter-generational continuity.

To develop critical consciousness through emancipatory pedagogy.

To restore shared knowledge while simultaneously creating new systems of education to determine our own future.

To produce thinking and action within collective

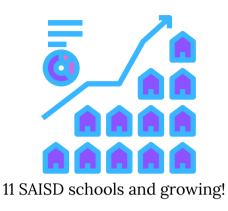
learning spaces. Credit: unsif.org

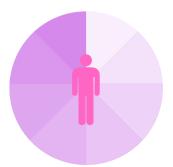




# **COMMUNITY IMPACT**

#### GIRL ZONE AND COMMUNITY HEALTH



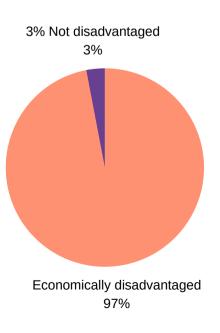


1,505 unduplicated individuals served 56% increase in positive parenting knowledge 90% increase in breast health knowledge



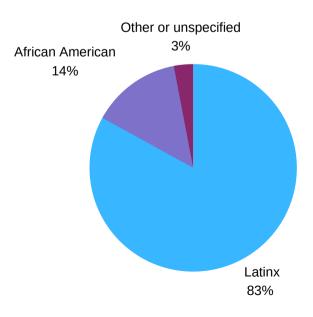
87% received 0 behavior referrals53% received fewer behavioral referrals than2017

70% have attendance rate of 95% or better86% Algebra STAAR passing rate (HS only)76% Reading STAAR passing rate





203 community members received basic needs assistance



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