

## ROOTED IN COMMUNITY

Celebrating 50 years of service and commitment to building communities provided a wonderful opportunity to look back on the extraordinary journey from our earliest days as a volunteer-run, grassroots organization in south Dearborn to a leading national nonprofit that has impacted millions.

Our work and our communities have seen dramatic change in a post-pandemic world, yet one thing has remained constant. We continue to be driven by our vision of a just and equitable society for all, with the full participation of Arab Americans and remain rooted in our mission of empowerment for individuals, families and communities.

This past year, we solidified our plans for a state-of-the-art Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Center that will focus on education, prevention, treatment and recovery — a resource desperately needed, particularly within vulnerable communities. We were also instrumental in efforts that led to ground-breaking developments that allow for Middle Eastern and North African (MENA) communities to finally be recognized and protected. Our work continues to be guided by our unwavering commitment to uplifting diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging.

As always, we serve where we are needed.

It is the tireless dedication of countless individuals that has allowed ACCESS to prevail as a beacon of hope, regionally and nationally. This is the legacy we are committed to protecting, preserving and growing for the next 50 years and beyond.



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# OUTSTANDING ARAB AMERICAN PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR



More than 250 people gathered in New York
City last September to recognize Arab American
philanthropy, particularly that of George Jalinos.
The Center for Arab American Philanthropy (CAAP)
was proud to honor George at its Threads of
Giving Gala with the Outstanding Arab American
Philanthropist of the Year Award.

This prestigious recognition is presented to one trailblazing Arab American each year who demonstrates a deep dedication to improving communities through giving. As a highly admired community leader, successful businessman and visionary philanthropist, George exemplifies what it means to be a thoughtful giver and philanthropic leader.



CAAP granted \$23,170 through the Disaster Relief Fund to respond to disasters such as floods in Pakistan and tornadoes in Kentucky



In 2022, the Russell J. Ebeid Family Fund Scholarship awarded \$82,500 to 32 exemplary students who are studying STEM and help honor Russell Ebeid's long-standing legacy of giving back

## **BUILDING COMMUNITY**

# UPLIFTING ARAB AMERICAN VOICES IN GOVERNMENT

The Arab American Leadership Fund (AALF), housed at the Center for Arab American Philanthropy (CAAP), makes it possible for emerging Arab American public servants to hold summer internships in state or federal government agencies, on Capitol Hill, and in other key public service institutions in Washington, D.C.

The AALF allowed Sief Salameh — a second year Public Policy master's student at the University of Chicago — to intern with the office of Congresswoman Marie Newman (Chicago's 3rd Congressional District).

For Sief, the funding gave him a unique opportunity to work alongside legislators and policy makers. "The fellowship gave me the financial and professional support to enter the congressional space," he said. "It also helped me break some of the systemic barriers that exist for students who come from immigrant and low-income backgrounds. When you look at the numbers, less than eleven percent of Congressional staff are actually folks of color... so it's really important for folks like me to be in that space and to voice our experiences and advocate for legislation that empowers the communities we come from."

The Arab American Leadership Fund is the funding source for the Arab American Leadership Program (AALP) organized by the National Network for Arab American Communities (NNAAC). To learn more about this and other funds held at CAAP, please visit centeraap.org.



463 grants awarded totaling \$2,196,998 to causes around the world

More than \$210,000 awarded to 90 students across the country through scholarship funds

# INNOVATIVE PROGRAM INSPIRES ART AND ARTISTS



The Arab American National Museum (AANM) is a hub for Arab American art and artists, locally and nationally, and no program exemplifies this distinction as much as Artists + Residents. This innovative program provides a unique opportunity for established and emerging artists to cultivate and grow their work while being immersed in a supportive environment that encourages artist collaboration and civic engagement in metro Detroit.

In the past year, AANM premiered new works by artists-in-residence that have gone on to have exposure and audiences far beyond the Museum walls. Of note is EVE — A Palestinian Necropastoral by George Abraham and Fargo Tbakhi. Developed during their residency, the poetic duo performed an excerpt of the loosely adapted Milton epic, Paradise Lost, in December 2021. In the following months, George and Fargo worked with the Public Programming team at AANM to apply for and were granted a National Performance Network (NPN) Creation Fund to continue crafting EVE.

Works such as this are a testament to the Museum's role and responsibility as an incubator for art by and about Arab Americans, locally and nationally.

The residency welcomes diverse local, national and international artists with creative and impactful projects related to the Museum's mission, vision and values.



The Museum toured nearly 3,000 students in 2022

18 new artifact/archival collections

70 community oral histories documented

## **COUNT MENA IN!**

This was a pivotal year for the National Network for Arab American Communities (NNAAC) ongoing work to bring recognition for Middle Eastern and North African (MENA) communities.

The issue is clear: Middle Eastern and North Africans have a right to be recognized and counted by the U.S. Census and the OMB (Office of Management and Budget). Being federally recognized means that the interests of the millions of Americans from the Middle East and North Africa are considered and protected, and their voices are heard, rather than being invisible in the halls of Congress.

In 2022, NNAAC and its member organizations continued to push for the equitable inclusion of individuals and families from the MENA region across all federal agencies. Several agencies have now established a MENA category, including the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Treasury Department. More importantly, the OMB has committed to revising the data standards that currently place people from the MENA region into the white category by the summer of 2024. This is a momentous step in ensuring that MENA populations are counted in the 2030 census.





NNAAC is also working to ensure that the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) begins collecting data on the MENA community, a necessary step in health equity for MENA populations. NNAAC partnered with Senator Gary Peters, Representatives Rashida Tlaib, Debbie Dingell, Anna Eshoo and Robin Kelly to introduce the Health Equity and MENA Community Inclusion Act, legislation that would incorporate MENA inclusion across the HHS.

NNAAC members are working tirelessly for MENA inclusion at the local level, with ongoing efforts in Texas, California, Pennsylvania, New York, Illinois and several other states.

More than 1,000,000 community members engaged leading up to the 2022 elections

NNAAC annual service day had over 1,500 volunteers nationally



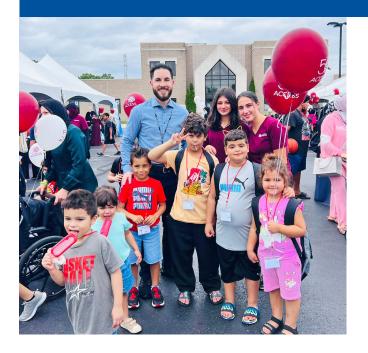
## "I feel like I'm really back to being myself again. It's been a long time."

Devin Thompson has been battling addiction for the better part of the past 20 years, after being prescribed opiates for a work-related back injury in the early 2000s. He tried countless rehabilitation programs, but like so many battling addiction, he would relapse. This kept happening until he found the ACCESS Sterling Heights clinic in July 2021.

And then, things changed. "The prior two and a half years before I came here, things really got out of hand... I was in the hospital more than I was home," he said. "Coming to ACCESS changed everything for me."

Devin credits both the medication regime, the staff and the treatment approach for his success. "This has been a lifesaver for me," he adds. "I can think clearly again and am making new friends. I know there's always a possibility of relapse, but I choose not to and now, I have people in my life for the first time who are truly helping me."

The annual Back to School Fair in August served more than 4,000 people with free backpacks, school supplies, kid's sports equipment, arts and crafts, a mobile clinic, food and ice cream and much more



## **HEALTH**

## ACCESS TO ESTABLISH FULL-SERVICE SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT CENTER

#### \$18-million capital campaign will fund stateof-the-art facility

The 45,000 square foot ACCESS Recovery Center will offer a community-centered approach to prevention, education and healing for individuals across southeast Michigan. It will house a wide range of wrap-around services, including a crisis stabilization unit, inpatient detoxification, short-term residential care and outpatient treatment. Patients will have access to medication-assisted treatment, intensive clinical counseling, recovery support services and care coordination through an individualized recovery plan, as well as psychiatric services.

The Center will be linguistically and culturally inclusive, with a unique focus on the needs of the Arab American community that our agency has served for over 50 years.

"ACCESS has been addressing the drug epidemic through various programs for more than 10 years, but we recognized the need for our community to come together with more determination than ever in response to this deeply troubling epidemic that has already claimed too many lives," said ACCESS President and CEO Maha Freij.

20,000 Narcan kits distributed

Over 2,500 overdose reversals and 528 patients in recovery



ACCESS has launched an \$18-million capital campaign to bring this lifesaving, life-changing Center to Dearborn. For more information on how to make a financial contribution, contact Miyan Sobh, Development Director, at msobh@accesscommunity.org



## Cynthia found a chosen family — and optimism for her future — at the Hope House

Depression is a dark disease, and Cynthia lived with hers for years without a strong support system. She knew she needed treatment and turned to ACCESS to find a therapist, who then referred her to the ACCESS Hope House.

"I thought I'd see what it was like, and a light went off," Cynthia says. "My heart just opened, and my creative juices started flowing."

When she first visited ACCESS Hope House, Cynthia was asked about her passions, goals, hopes and dreams. That's because the community-based membership provides members with opportunities to learn new skills and expand existing ones.

Designed for people with serious mental illness, the Hope House gives members daily structure while they're in treatment, helping them regain the independence needed to become more functional and return to work or school.

Just five months after joining the Hope House, Cynthia channeled her interests into making jewelry and other items and creating a brand called "Lovable DC Star," along with five other Hope House members. They make jewelry, recycle and upgrade glassware, recycle furniture and create other items that the Hope House has helped secure vendor opportunities for.





ACCESS Hope House also provides job placement support, educational and community engagement opportunities, including English-language courses, computer literacy, post-secondary education support and GED preparation.

"It means so much to have a place I can go where we feel cared for and are seen for the unique individuals we are," Cynthia says. "Hope House has given me the life I always wanted but never had."

Provided 54,545 hours of services to members

Membership increased by more than 70% since 2020



## How ACCESS helped one woman grow a strong, environmentally friendly business

Tamara Shanay Lincoln established Lincoln Stone Paper, which manufactures notebooks from stone, in January 2022, and her concept had the potential to be a rock-solid business. She needed some guidance and turned to ACCESS' Business Development Program.

"Once I started working with ACCESS, it was like a domino effect," Tamara says. "They put together all the puzzle pieces, which I never could have done without them."

Tamara took advantage of the full range of ACCESS' Business Development Program's services to bolster her newly established business. She participated in a seven-week entrepreneurship training, attended multiple business workshops and continues working with a dedicated mentor through the program's 1:1 business coaching.

The program taught her how to create a business plan, establish financial projections and budgets, and apply for grants, including one she received from ProsperUS Detroit.

Thanks to ACCESS, Tamara has been a vendor at the Dearborn Homecoming festival and other venues. "Because I'm part of the ACCESS ecosystem," Tamara says, "I went from being someone who creates to someone who really understands all the different aspects of running a business."

Engaged 120 entrepreneurs for business educational workshops in 2022

Onboarded 104 new clients and worked with 52 clients in 1:1 business coaching

## **ECONOMIC MOBILITY**

## **EMPOWERMENT THROUGH ESL**

## Learning English opens pathways to citizenship, higher education and more

Ever since Shaima Mohamed and her family moved to the U.S. from Yemen in 2014, she yearned to learn English. It was important not just to her — so she could become a U.S. citizen, navigate daily tasks and communicate with others – but also to be able to help her children with their own education.

As a mom, finding a place to study English as a Second Language (ESL) wasn't easy. Then she discovered the ESL program at ACCESS, where she learned English in one year starting in fall 2018.

"It's amazing," Shaima explains. "They taught me English, had someone there to care for my kids and even helped me get my GED."

Shaima also attended parenting classes at ACCESS, giving her the confidence to apply to Henry Ford College, where she's working towards an associate degree in Computer Science.

Now a U.S. citizen, Shaima was very impressed with ACCESS' level of ESL courses. "They helped so many learn English, making the American Dream of earning citizenship a possibility."

Shaima is excited about what the future holds for her and her children. "My children get a broader view — we can speak to each other in two languages," she says. "And for me, I love learning as much as I can."

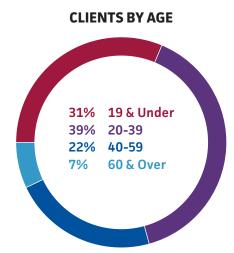


ESL provided more than 20,500 hours of service

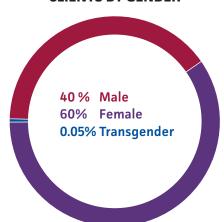
6,676 participants served through Early Learning Communities (ELC – training for early childhood education staff across the state)

**EDUCATION** 

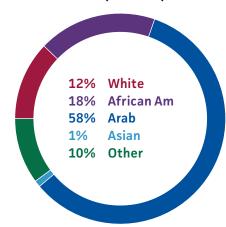
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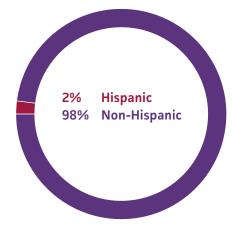
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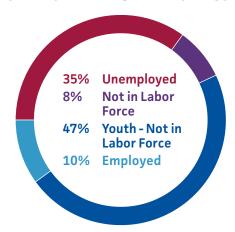
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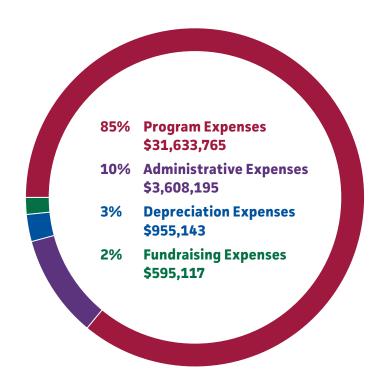
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## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

#### **SCHEDULE OF REVENUE FOR OCTOBER 1, 2021 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2022** (UNAUDITED)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Contributions & Grants	\$28,782,023	\$21,780,605	\$5,678,893	\$56,241,521
Program Fees	\$6,186,467	-	-	\$6,186,467
Rental & Other	\$1,330,506	-	-	\$1,330,506
<b>Endowment Distribution</b>	\$108,242	-	-	\$108,242
Change in Value Net of Fees and Distributions	-	-	(\$2,338,121)	(\$2,338,121)
Total	\$36,407,238	\$21,780,605	\$3,340,772	\$61,528,615
Release from Restriction	\$4,265,871			

#### **EXPENSES FOR OCTOBER 1, 2021 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2022** (UNAUDITED)



## **OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE TO OUR DONORS**

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