



ManyHands

Together we make a difference

2019

IMPACT REPORT

Many Hands reached two milestones during the 2019 Grant Cycle. March 2019 marked the 15th anniversary of Many Hands' recognition as a 501(c)(3) organization. Two months later, in May 2019, Many Hands announced its 10th class of grantees.

Much has changed since seven women met around a kitchen table to create Many Hands. The total awarded to grantees grew from \$108,000 in 2004 to \$275,500 in 2019. The number of grants increased from three to four after job readiness joined education, health, and housing as a focus area in 2014. Many Hands also began to host donor education events; moved to annual grantmaking in 2017; introduced a Young Member program in 2018; and upgraded its donor, financial, grant, and communications management systems.

Yet through it all, the idea driving Many Hands has remained the same: **Together we make a difference.**

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GRANTEES

Many Hands \$100,000 Impact Grant



Access Youth works to keep at-risk Washington, DC youth in school and out of the criminal justice system by reducing chronic truancy and suspensions and by promoting restorative justice as an alternative to punishment. Access Youth will use its grant to develop a peer mediation program, which will train student leaders to serve as mediators for their school communities.



Many Hands Partner Grants (\$58,500)



Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)/Prince George's County partners with the juvenile court to improve the lives of children living in foster care. CASA serves 35% of Prince George's County's foster children through a network of 150 volunteers, who often become the primary source of stability in the lives of the children they represent.



Greater DC Diaper Bank provides basic baby and personal hygiene products to families in need. Supplies like diapers are distributed by partner organizations and serve as gateway resources to introduce hard-to-reach families in DC, Maryland, and Virginia to medical, mental health, housing, and employment services.



New Endeavors by Women runs seven transitional and permanent housing programs, providing shelter and support to approximately 200 formerly homeless women and children. Clients include seniors, women with HIV, survivors of domestic violence, and women with mental illness and substance dependency.





The 2019 Job Readiness Partner Grant was awarded to CASA/Prince George's County in memory of Tom Marmet, son of Many Hands co-founder Betsy Marmet. In October 2018, Tom was shot and killed by a stray bullet while driving home from work. A recent college graduate, Tom served formerly homeless clients as a Volunteer Employment Specialist at So Others Might Eat (SOME). CASA/Prince George's County has used its Many Hands grant to launch a job readiness program for youth aging out of foster care.

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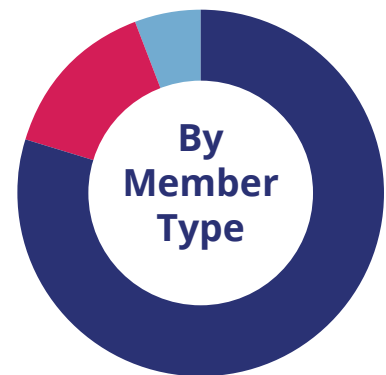
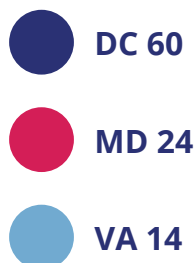
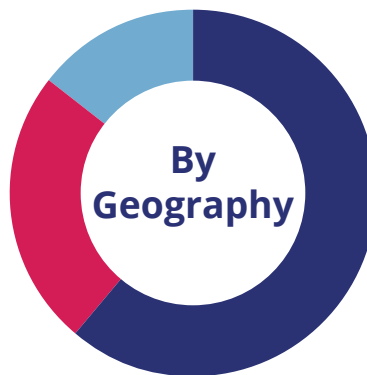
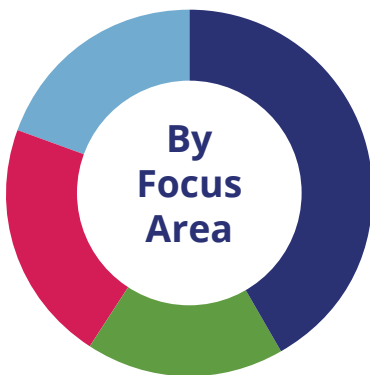
BY THE NUMBERS

122

Grant Applications Received

98

Grant Applications Passed Eligibility Screening



*Sustaining Members make an additional contribution to help support Many Hands' operating expenses, which are underwritten by the Board and by non-member donors.

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EDUCATION EVENTS

September 26, 2018

Gentrification in Washington, DC: Improving Equitable Outcomes for Children and Families

Michael Bader, associate professor of sociology at American University; Parisa Norouzi, founding executive director of Empower DC; and Sabiyha Prince, Empower DC's former board president, led an eye-opening conversation about the impact of gentrification on the predominantly African-American residents of rapidly changing neighborhoods.

November 14, 2018

The Impact of Collective Philanthropy

Executive directors from four Many Hands grantees—Robin Berkley, Horton's Kids; Corinne Cannon, Greater DC Diaper Bank; Kari Galloway, Friends of Guest House; and Mark Hecker, Reach, Inc.—participated in an inspiring panel on the power of collective giving sponsored by The Berkeley Research Group's Women's Leadership Initiative.

April 11, 2019

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness

Candice Jones, president and CEO of the Public Welfare Foundation and a Many Hands member, and Jill Rosenbaum Meyer, a television news and documentary producer and Many Hands Board member, moderated a lively and thought-provoking discussion of Michelle Alexander's pathbreaking book.

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STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS

At the end of the 2019 Grant Cycle, Many Hands made two significant system upgrades. We are deeply grateful to the Sustaining Members who helped support these investments.

- A new online grant management system by Foundant streamlines the application and review process and enhances information archiving and analysis.
- A new website designed by Design for People delivers comprehensive, updated information about Many Hands to potential members and applicants.

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