



**TremontWest**  
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# 2017-18 Annual Report

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## Tremonters,

Tremont West Development Corporation works on behalf of all of you to create a place we can truly be proud of. As the neighborhood continues to grow, we are committed to ensuring that this growth reflects the mission of the organization, "we serve Tremont by organizing an inclusive community, building a unified neighborhood, and promoting a unique destination." Tremont West is pursuing a number of different initiatives highlighted within this Annual Report that reflects our commitment to the values of the organization and the goals and strategies outlined within our Strategic Plan Update 2017-2020.

Tremont continues to be an attractive community to live, work, and play. As more and more people desire the quality of life amenities we possess in the neighborhood, it is imperative that we focus on equitable, sustainable development. This is why we remain committed to our process of engaging the community on issues that impact the built environment as well as day-to-day quality of life concerns through our extensive block club network and committee structure of Tremont West. It is this process that allows us to garner the maximum amount of feedback and create informative opinions that affects policy for our community. As you read the Annual Report the accomplishments reflect the hard work and dedication of 11 full and part-time staff, 15 Board members, 11 block clubs, dozens of Friends groups, and hundreds of community members. Together, we are strong.

**Cory Riordan**  
Executive Director

**Ann Marie Riley**  
Board President



**VISION** Tremont is the ideal urban village, led by a growing population of dedicated people, filled with desirable amenities and essential services, and welcoming to all.

**MISSION** We serve Tremont by organizing an inclusive community, building a unified neighborhood, and promoting a unique destination.

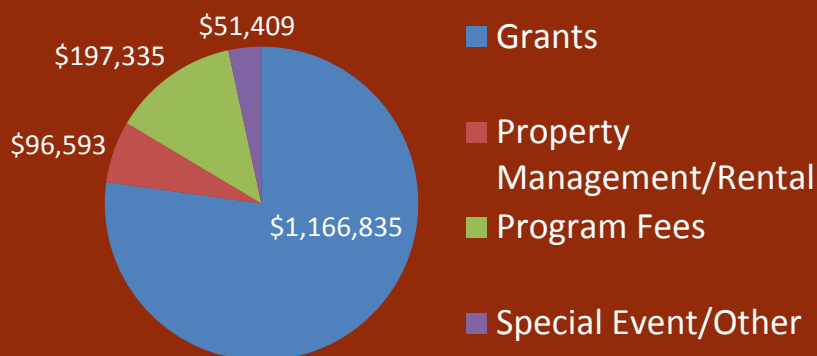
## BY THE NUMBERS

**600+** members of the organization, **11** block clubs, **dozens** of Friends and Interest Groups, **90** block club meetings, **93** committee meetings, **47** events, **5** community wide meetings, **11** newsletters, **62** e-news, **15,400** Twitter followers, **2,927** Facebook followers, **12** new businesses or relocations, **80** new housing units approved, and **ONE GAZEBO** constructed

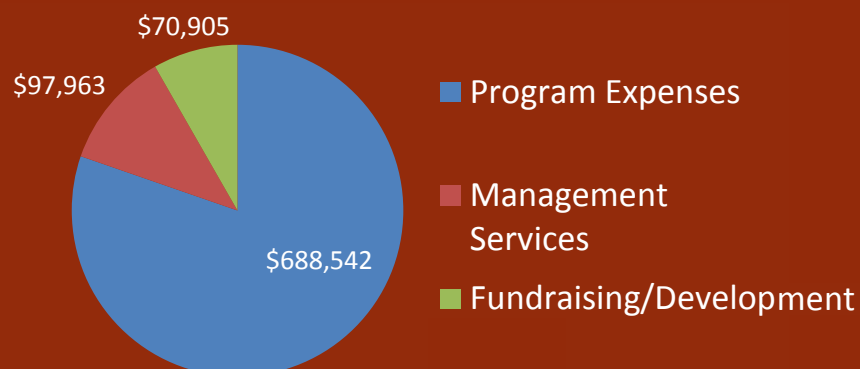
## BUSINESSES 2017

**Beviamo** Laurie Myers Yoga **EverArbor**  
**The Beauty Room** **The Movement Project** **Blue Star**  
**Cutt Team Studios** **Urbane Society Salon** **Noce**  
**Corner 11 Bowl and Wrap** **Crust** **Visible Voice**

## TOTAL INCOME



## TOTAL EXPENSES



## 2406 LLC

Tremont West continues its partnership with Cleveland Housing Network to provide property management services for the near west side. We continue to nurture our own housing portfolio of 10 units.

## STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

### COMPREHENSIVE Community...

*Build a dense neighborhood with a comprehensive and diverse set of housing options and business attractions that appeal to all residents and visitors.*

**Housing Inclusion-** Tremont West continues to work on implementing the 2016 Housing Inclusion Plan. We secured a grant from Enterprise to bring on an employee to focus on leveraging neighborhood assets to create additional affordable housing opportunities.

**Zoning-** At the end of 2017 we began a re-zoning process working with the City to update the zoning code to better reflect the existing community and encourage density along "corners and corridors" in the neighborhood.

**New Business-** We continue to assist businesses looking to locate, relocate or expand in the neighborhood as well as encourage investment in the neighborhood that enhances the attractiveness of the business environment.

### CONNECTED Community...

*Organize an inclusive and connected community through meaningful engagement and equitable physical and social infrastructure that creates seamless linkages and increases accessibility for everyone.*

**Block Clubs-** We continue to maintain a robust system of 11 block clubs that influences decision making at the Board level and ensures neighborhood participation.

**Towpath Integration Plan-** Completed and began implementation of the Towpath Integration Plan. The Plan is designed to ensure that we maximize the Towpath Trail for the neighborhood including ensuring the Towpath is being utilized by our community for recreation, especially for residents of Tremont Pointe, the only location in Cuyahoga County where the Towpath touches public housing.

**Community Art Project-** Block clubs and participants in the Tremont Artist in Residence program attended art studio sessions, generously hosted by artist Angelica Pozo, to help create hand-drawn tiles sharing participants' favorite neighborhood seasonal memories. The tiles will be installed at the Gathering Place seating wall and planter on Professor Av. at Jefferson.

### COLLABORATIVE Community...

*Work transparently in collaboration with residents, business leaders, and external community partners to maximize resources and execute neighborhood plans.*

**Ohio City Inc.-** Applied for and received a 3 year Strategic Investment Initiative grant from Cleveland Neighborhood Progress in partnership with Ohio City Inc. to continue the good work of both neighborhoods while looking for opportunities to partner for greater efficiency and economy of scale.

**Equity Organizing-** A new position, Community and Equity Organizer was created to maintain and enhance the block club system while looking to expand outreach into communities that are under-represented in the block club and committee structure of Tremont West.

### RESILIENT Community...

*Create a resilient community by using innovative practices to respond to adverse situations and that affords all people the opportunity to advance, live healthy lives, and thrive.*

**Safety-** In partnership with Ohio City Inc. we hired a Ward 3 Safety Coordinator to focus on crime and crime prevention strategies in our community. The Coordinator is also responsible for data collection, spotting trends, and reporting back to the Safety Committee of Tremont West.

**Near West Recreation-** What started as two separate programs, Tremont tee-ball and Ohio City tee ball has grown into a partnership between 4 neighborhoods. Near West Recreation has expanded to include 985 youth participants, 140+ volunteers and coaches with 54% of participants receiving financial assistance. Programs offered include baseball, soccer, track, boxing, volleyball and basketball.



# Contributors

City of Cleveland Community Development Department,  
Cleveland Housing Network, Neighborhood Progress, Inc.,  
Ward 3 Councilman Kerry McCormack,  
Ward 14 Councilman Brian Cummins, Ward 14 Councilwoman, Jasmin Santana  
Ward 12 Councilman Tony Brancatelli

1st Interstate/Steelyard Commons, A Christmas Story House & Museum, A Cookie and a Cupcake, Absolute Roofing, All American Gutter Protection, Alpha Group, Ann Marie Riley, ArcelorMittal, aza events, LLC, Bac, Banyan Tree, Beck Center, Benjamin Cooper, Berges LLC, Beviamo, Bob and Nancy Holcepl, Bob Riley, Bourbon Street Barrel Room, Brian Hannon, Bubblegum Books, Butcher & Brewer, Campbell's Sweets Factory, Catherine Miller, Cavaliers Operating Company, LLC, CED Healthy Food Financing Initiative Grant, CHN Housing Partners, Chris McGonnell, Christopher and Nancy Roy, Chuppa's Marketplace in Parma, Civic Builders, Civilization, Cle Clothing Co., Cleveland Botanical Garden, Cleveland Bricks LLC, Cleveland Browns, City of Cleveland Casino Funds, Cleveland Crate Company, Cleveland Housing Network, Cleveland Orchestra, Cleveland Playhouse, Cleveland Public Theatre, Cleveland Water, Community Shares, Constantino's Market, Councilman Kerry McCormack, Crust, Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, Cuyahoga County Supplemental Grant, Dante, Dave's Market, David Witzke, DDR Corp., Dean Guernsey, Dollar Bank, doubting thomas Gallery, Enterprise Communities, Evie Lou, F.D. Roosevelt Post & Club 58, Fabo Architecture, Inc., Fahrenheit, Fairmont Creamery, Fat Cats, Fat Heads Brewery, Flying Monkey, Forest City Realty Trust, Inc., Fresh Fork Market, Friends of Kerry McCormack, Gentleman's Barbershop, Glenn Murray, Grain, Great Lakes Theater at Cleveland Playhouse, Grumpy's Café, Gustave Development, Henry Coon, Hermes, Hi and Dry, HORTON HARPER ARCHITECTS, Howard Hanna - Carolyn Bentley, Howard Hanna - Ted Theophylactos, Improv Comedy Club, Integrity Realty, Jeffery T. Buysse and Cary A. Schneider, Jill LeMieux, Jim Ray, John and Karen Moss, J-Roc Development, Karen Perkowski, Kate O'Neil, Kathryn Imbrigiotta, Kerry Capwell, Kollektive Custom Tattoos & Original Art, Krasa Salon, La Bodega, LAMAR, LAND Studio, Lava Lounge, Le Beau, Lilly Handmade Chocolates, Loop, Lucky's Café, Mark Ebner & Bronwyn Snow, Matt Berges, Mark Smith & Janet Rosel Smith, McCormack Baron, MCM Company, Merchant Street, Meritech, MetroParks, Midland Concrete and Sand Products, Midland Property Group LLC, Mike Koski, Minnie and Jerry Ziegler, Morgan Services, Nautica Queen Cruise Ship, Neighborhood Connections, Neighborhood Family Practice, Nestle, North Coast Men's Chorus, Ohio & Erie Canalway, Ohio Arts Council, Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing, Ohio Savings Bank, a Division of New York Community Bank, Olympic Forest Products Company, Parallax, Pat Catan's, Paul Duda Gallery, Petiti's, Porco Lounge & Tiki Room, Post 1, Professor Market, Progressive Urban Real Estate, Prosperity Social Club, Renewal by Andersen, Richard and Adrienne Gray, Rivergate Tavern, Robert and Megan Ahlman, Robert Hartshorn, Robert Garrity, Sally Matia and Pete Kuchera, Samuel Vozar, Scott Nagy, Scott Rosenstein, Sherwin Williams, Sokolowski's University Inn, St. Augustine, State Alarm, Steve Jerome Plumbing, Studio 11, Sunny Ting, T mobile, Tastebuds, The Beauty Room, The Clark Bar, The Cleveland Orchestra, The Mutt Hutt, The Rowley Inn, The South Side, The Treehouse, The Western Reserve Historical Society, Third Federal Savings and Loan, Thom Passek, Tidal Cool, Tom and Anita Cook, Treehouse, Tremont Athletic Club, Tremont Convenience Food Mart, Tremont General Store, Tremont Scoops, Tremont Tap House, Tremont Trek, Trolley Tours of Cleveland, Ty Fun Thai Bistro, Ushabu, Wagner Awning, Ward 12 Councilman Tony Brancatelli, Wine & Design, & WXZ Development

# Board of Directors

**President**-Ann Marie Riley  
**1st Vice President**- Joe Chura  
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**Treasurer**- Lynn McLaughlin Murray  
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**Ex Officio:** Henry Senyak, Lincoln Heights Block Club; Mike Koski, South of Jefferson Block Club; Morgan Passek, North of Literary Block Club; Carolyn Bentley, Duck Island Block Club

# Tremont West Staff

**Cory Riordan**, Executive Director  
**Chad Biggers**, Community Safety Organizer  
**Taylor Combs**, Americorps VISTA Member  
**Michelle Davis**, Assistant Director  
**Lynn Friedel**, Office Manager  
**Khalid Hawthorne**, Housing Development Coordinator  
**Matt Moss**, Housing & Economic Development Director  
**Mark Pratt**, Property Manager  
**Scott Rosenstein**, Community Involvement Manager/Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival Manager  
**Dharma Valentin**, Community & Equity Organizer  
**Jim Votava**, Tremont Farmers' Market Manager

