



## Annual Report 2024

### Mission

**The Comstock Community Center develops resources and provides a setting for education, recreation, social events, human services, and lifelong learning activities to enhance the lives of community members and build a healthier community.**

### Vision

**Comstock Community Center is committed to improving the quality of life for area youth, families, and seniors.**

**The Comstock Community Center and the Community Learning Center are organizations that are developing strategies to eliminate and reduce the effects of structural racism by:**

***Recognizing the racial disparities that exist in our services***

***Working daily to eliminate disadvantages or disparities that may result from bias or racism***

***Providing inclusive opportunities for all individuals within our community***

***Intentionally directing resources to remove and reduce the impact of racism and bias on young people***



# The Future is Bright

The Comstock Community Center, originating as "The Fish" in the late 1960s, evolved into a non-profit in 1969. Overcoming challenges, it secured a grant to construct its current facility in 1973 at 6330 King Highway.

Affiliated with United Way in 1970, it faced funding obstacles until 1986 when a senior millage passed. The budget for our growing facility has increased from the 1969 amount of \$54,700 to the present day \$1.8 million.

In 2010, we opened the Comstock Community Learning Center which expanded services for children. Collaborating with numerous agencies, the center fosters social growth, health experiences, and community positivity.

In 2024, we opened our newest Center, the Wilbur & Charlotte Courter Memory Center to help those in the community who deal with early memory loss, Alzheimer's, or Dementia.

Overall, the Community Center helps people at all stages of life, from birth until death. In the future, we hope to expand and extend our services to even more individuals in the community to continue improving lives.



## Our Staff & Board Members

Mary Gustas, Executive Director  
Chazlyn Flint, CLC Program Director  
Erin Markel, Human Resources  
Michelle WhitePaster, Accounts Manager  
Lorie Peterson, Adult Coordinator  
Diana Reynolds, Community Coordinator  
Anne Howard, Travel Coordinator  
Kennedy Klimczak, Billing Coordinator  
Jake Sanderson, Operations Specialist

Reggie Kissinger Jr., President  
Jackie Wahl, Vice President  
Paul Lamphear, Treasurer  
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Nancy Wood  
Pam Sanders-Carter  
Gary Thomas  
Jason Knight  
Sharon Donovan

| Income                        |                |       | Expenses                                |                |       |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-------|---|----------------|-------|
| <b>Program Fees</b>           | \$610,276.00   | 38%   | <b>Salaries &amp; Fringe</b>            | \$1,154,927.00 | 71.5% |
| <b>Millage</b>                | \$628,866.00   | 39.5% | <b>Programs Service Fees</b>            | \$47,420.00    | 3%    |
| <b>Interest</b>               | \$12,549.00    | 1%    | <b>Holiday &amp; Community Projects</b> | \$59,115.00    | 4%    |
| <b>Grants &amp; Contracts</b> | \$198,779.00   | 12.5% | <b>Fundraising</b>                      | \$7,336.00     | <1%   |
| <b>Fundraiser</b>             | \$13,328.00    | 1%    | <b>Marketing &amp; Communications</b>   | \$45,684.00    | 3%    |
| <b>Donations</b>              | \$51,322.00    | 3%    | <b>Facilities &amp; Operation</b>       | \$295,153.00   | 18%   |
| <b>Misc &amp; Investments</b> | \$86,503.00    | 5%    |   |                |       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  | \$1,601,623.00 | 100%  | <b>TOTAL</b>                            | \$1,609,635.00 | 100%  |
|                               |                |       | <b>Net Assets</b>                       | -\$8,011.00    |       |





*"It feels good to be in a community. Community, above all, is bigger than individuals—we are something much more than individuals when we are part of a community. And this is how things ought to be."*

*Tony Blackshaw*

## **Our 2024 Service Summary**

|  |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Children & Youth Programs  | 96 Served<br>11,512 Contacts         |
| Hosted Programs  | 8,862 Visits                         |
| Adult Programs   | 103,079 Contacts                     |
| Volunteer Hours  | 492 Volunteers<br>4,086 Hours Served |
| <b>123,945 Total Contacts</b><br><b>2,484 New Contacts (from 2023)</b> |                                      |

# Breakdown of Programs



| Program Contacts (CCC)                    | 2023                     | 2024                    |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Newsletter (6 times/year)                 | 92,952                   | 93,411                  |
| Classes                                   | 1,021                    | 1,145                   |
| Conversation Cafe & Special Events        | 2,227                    | 3,287                   |
| Day Trips                                 | 498                      | 508                     |
| Extended Travel                           | 258                      | 171                     |
| Holiday Food Baskets (Families & Seniors) | 80 Families, 195 Seniors | 62 Families, 90 Seniors |
| Misc. Activities                          | 754                      | 1,479                   |
| Food Pantry                               | 2,534                    | 2,662                   |
| Kid's Christmas                           | 185                      | 264                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                              | <b>100,704</b>           | <b>103,079</b>          |

| Program Contacts (CLC)                  | 2023                 | 2024                 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
|   | # of Children/Visits | # of Children/Visits |
| Infant (Year Round Care)                | 3/723                | 6/829                |
| Toddler (Year Round Care)               | 8/1,981              | 10/1,909             |
| 3 Year-Old (Year Round Care)            | 28/1,425             | 13/1,680             |
| Preschool (GSRP & 4 Year-Old)           | 30/2,855             | 26/2,788             |
| Before & After School (6-12 Year-Old)   | 22/4,479             | 20/3,259             |
| Summer Program 10 Weeks (6-12 Year-Old) | 21/1,047             | 21/1,047             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                            | <b>112/12,510</b>    | <b>96/11,512</b>     |



# Breakdown of Programs

| Hosted Programs         | 2023         | 2024         |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| VITA Tax Preparation    | 382          | 424          |
| Senior Food Commodities | 1,143        | 1,020        |
| Flu Shots               | 24           | 12           |
| Health & Fitness        | 1,173        | 1,435        |
| Community Meetings      | 4,956        | 5,971        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>7,678</b> | <b>8,862</b> |



| Volunteers                            | 2023                    | 2024                    |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                       | <i>Volunteers/Hours</i> | <i>Volunteers/Hours</i> |
| <b>Administration/Policy Making</b>   | 10/16                   | 8/16                    |
| <b>Program Planning &amp; Support</b> | 3/9                     | 13/21                   |
| <b>Community Projects</b>             | 68/1,292                | 62/1,178                |
| <b>Special Events/Fundraising</b>     | 6/30                    | 21/251                  |
| <b>Holiday Program &amp; Events</b>   | 482/2,514               | 388/2620                |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>569/3,861</b>        | <b>492/4086</b>         |