We began 2020 reading an article titled, “Income Inequality in America is the highest it has been since the Census started tracking the data.” Who could have possibly imagined that by March the divide would feel as wide as a canyon? 2020 is a year we all will never forget. The Center stepped up to the plate and did an incredible job serving our youth, our families, and our community. Our dedicated team made it all happen.

In the midst of a pandemic “Love Overflowed”. The Community’s love really poured out to The Center. Even with all the challenges, so much good happened- new programs and new partnerships. Your help allowed us to spread love back to our community. We are amazed and grateful every day at the Bridgehampton Child Care & Recreational Center. The outpouring of love is sustaining us. The Center is all about our children, families, seniors, and our community. The year brought unique challenges in providing services and fundraising. Our food pantry that for many years served 70 individuals a month continues to serve 700 individuals weekly. All our events were cancelled or put on-hold. We got creative and spent time improving our social media and rebranding. We want all in our community to know that we are more than an After School. The Center offers a variety of youth and adult programs. The best is yet to come! We are looking to the future. There is no stopping us now- 2021 will be an amazing year for our youth, our families, our seniors, and the entire community!

We send thanks to the organizations, individual donors, and the volunteers who help us give back to our community. We are the heart of our community. We are a family. We are The Center!

Get to Know Us.

Peace and Blessings Always.
Bonnie Michelle Cannon, Executive Director

Peace and Harmony.
Paul Jeffers, Jr. (PJ) Board Chairman
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AZERIAH SMITH, age 8, Bridgehampton School

“What I love about The Center is seeing my friends and my teachers. I missed being at The Center when I left on vacation. I am so excited to be back and I can’t wait to see the finished building.”
LEAH TEJEDA, age 9, Wainscott School

“What I like about The Center is it’s a safe place to call home. I like the teachers and I like my friends.”
ZACHERIAH MITCHELL, age 11, Bridgehampton School

“The Center means so much to me. Ms. Bonnie and the staff took me under their wing and helped my family with food packages. They guided me into helping the community and supported all my endeavors. The Center is a perfect place for the youngest school children to rising teens. My D.R.E.A.M teen group has been a wonderful experience. Teaching me leadership skills and reinforcing the value of always helping those in need.”
CHRISTIAN LYLES, Pierson High School- Sag Harbor, Senior

“The Center means so much to me for multiple reasons. One of them is that the teachers do a great job helping the kids out with their schoolwork. They even get to have fun while getting their work done. They always have projects and clubs for the kids to stay busy. It’s a great place that not only helps my child, but also allows me to be at work without worrying where my child is or what to do with him after he is done with school until I’m done at work. Besides it’s an affordable place for low-income families. God Bless”
ANA ALANIS, Parent

“The Center is a blessing from the Lord. I am so grateful for The Center and how they are helping my family with everything. God bless Ms. Bonnie and all the teachers! So many work so hard to make all the programs possible.”
MS. PAULETTE, Parent

“What I love about The Center is that we are like a close family. We look out for each other. We learn about what to expect in life and we have great teachers to lead the way. I love coming here!”
ANNABELLA DEL GIORNO, age 12, Sag Harbor Middle School, 7th grade

“When I was growing up, The Center was my surrogate when my Mom was working. When I think about the key parts of the community that helped mold me, they are Church, The Center, and then school. My Mom was always first in my life. The Center has always been the heart and soul of the Bridgehampton community and a lifeline for single working Moms. I am honored to be able to be coaching basketball there in my retirement years, sharing my passions and skills with the next generations.”
COACH CARL JOHNSON, Center Alum
Resiliency was key in 2020. The Center quickly moved into Crisis Mode in March when the schools closed. Our staff worked harder than ever for our children, families, and our community. The start-up challenges were big to secure computers and internet for our economically fragile families. The Center met that challenge, thanks to Altice, and many generous donors. Our teachers worked virtually with our children every day.

Our regular monthly food pantry for 70 people quickly became weekly. The numbers continued to grow through the Spring, serving over 700 individuals a week for all the remaining months of 2020.

At the start of the pandemic and school closures our director, Bonnie Michelle Cannon, reached out individually to each, and every one of our parents and caretakers to help evaluate their household needs. Many lost jobs, some all their income. The Center was able to offer emergency assistance to those most in need.
COVID RESPONSE

COVID fear, food insecurity, loss of jobs and homes created a vast need for essentials. Our Center team proved that they had what it needed to help our children and youth thrive and strive. The Center opened their arms wider than ever to embrace and care for our families and community.

Even though COVID made us pivot, it did not prevent us from having our Summer Program and offering wonderful enrichment experiences for our children. The Center has always been a lifeline for our underserved working families, offering safe childcare and a strong educational component to help prevent the “Summer Slide” in learning. Our D.R.E.A.M. teens met regularly on ZOOM and Instagram chats.

Our After-School programs continued in the Fall with educational, arts enrichment, and emotional support curriculum, in person and virtual.
The pandemic changed the world. Our food pantry moved from monthly to weekly. We continue to serve over 700 individuals weekly. The Center provided more than 20,000 bags of groceries to families and seniors in need. A unique part of our story is that the food pantry is staffed, by one of the most vulnerable populations, our Seniors, Ms. Gloria (80), Ms. Mary (90), Ms. Ruby (78), and Ms. Carole (73). They insisted on continuing to lead the efforts to help those families most in need, despite the risks of the pandemic. These are courageous and determined women who care passionately about making a difference.

The Center has been blessed over the past year with a tremendous out-pouring of love from our community and friends. We distributed 7,200 chickens, 112 holiday turkeys, 4,000 bagels, 22,000 hamburgers, and so much more. AFTEE, Atlantic Golf Foundation, Island Harvest, the Jon Bon Jovi Soul Kitchen, LICF, and Roger Waters have been lifelines this past year. We are especially grateful for the partnership with the Peconic Land Trust and Quail Hill Farm, which provided our families with fresh healthy produce all last growing season. More than 22,000 pounds of fresh produce was delivered to The Center. AFTEE has come to our aid again and the partnership will continue in 2021. Local businesses helped too- Provisions, Goldberg Bagels, Citarella, Amber Waves Farms, and the list goes on. Sag Harbor Cinema, Sag Harbor Partnership, Hamptons Art Camp, many local houses of worship, and SO, SO many individuals and volunteers. We are living in gratitude.
OUR PROGRAMS
Our children begin each day with Affirmations. A few favorites are I am smart, I am loved, I am respectful. This year brought some new ones to popularity among our kids: I am brave; I am strong; Never give up.

Homework time and individual help begins next.

The beginning of 2020 started out full speed with our IN-KIND Dining program resuming. Our kids experience fine dining once a week with a teacher during the off season, learning etiquette, experiencing new foods, and gaining socializing skills. We celebrated Martin Luther King and Black History Month. February was also Science Month at The Center.

Then the pandemic hit. Remote learning began and after just a few weeks was running fairly, smoothly. We had cooking with Mr. Doug, ceramics with Ms. Beverly, sewing with Ms. Erin, painting with Ms. Susan, and Nutrition with Ms. Marta. Our students experienced Virtual Art Gallery and Museum tours.

Our “Littles” 5-8 years suffered from remote learning and short attention spans. We needed to secure more teachers to keep the groups smaller on ZOOM. Our “Middles” 9-12 years did better but missed seeing their friends.

April was Community Service Month. It was a month of thank you cards for nurses and doctors. We teach that living in Gratitude is the best Attitude. It was also Latino Heritage month. We learned a lot about so many different cultures and had a lot of fun.

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The Center’s Summer Program is unique. For 2 months every Summer, we offer enrichment programs and have a strong educational component to prevent the “Summer Slide” in learning. In 2020, we worked with “We Connect the Dots” using robotics and drones, to strengthen S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) skills for our children. We had weekly themes that taught leadership, civic responsibility, community service, racial equality, celebrated different cultures, and practiced public speaking. We had lots of fun with theatrical workshops, sports clinics, art classes, cooking, gardening and much more.

We missed our weekly beach day and field trips were limited in 2020. We did have a wonderful visit to The Parrish Art Museum and trips to SOFO. We were fortunate to be offered free sailing lessons at the Breakwater Sailing Center and their Junior Sailing Program. The Center’s own tennis program continued. We honored the legacies of John Lewis and CT Vivian. We celebrated the cultures of Latin America and Mexico and learned about Latino heroes. We studied Isabel Allende, Sophie Cruz, Emilio Aquinaldo, Jose Rizal, Roberto de Rosario, Gabriela Silam, and Mario G. Obledo. Some classes had to be held by ZOOM but our children were kept safe, happy, inspired and learning. Hard work is always rewarded at The Center, one of our young boys won a bicycle!
Our D.R.E.A.M. Teens, which stands for (D)edication, (R)esponsibility, (E)ducation, (A)titude, and (M)otivation thrived during the pandemic. Due to COVID, their meetings quickly switched to virtual mode. Working remotely from home was a tough transition. As physical school plans cancelled, our teens had many disappointments and anxiety levels increased. Our teen coordinator and dedicated staff kept them connected. There were many virtual talks: You’ve Gotta Keep Your Head Up; Social and Emotional Intelligence; Mental Health Awareness; College Admissions; Money Matters for All; Dating Rules; Resume Check. There were fun games too: Virtual Mystery Game; Game Night; Talk Those Sports.

Our DREAM Teens overcame with wonderful results in 2020. A clothing line was launched. There were leadership and volunteerism recognitions for some of our teens from local government. We had a "Holiday Shoe Box Toy Drive" with 150 boxes filled with toys, toiletries, and craft supplies given to needy children.
The college process became even more complicated and stressful in 2020. Our classes and guidance went mostly remote. All college visits became virtual. Our exceptional One-on-One College guidance by Patrick Harris is key to The Center’s program. Our first generation, college bound students need extra guidance and help negotiating the complexities of applying for college and receiving financial aid. Family counseling is almost always needed. The Center is proud of our teens and especially those seniors that navigated their way into acceptances at 4-year colleges and universities. SAT Classes were able to resume in person in the Summer and through the Fall with extra math and essay writing help. Our students all reported significant increases in test scores. The Center was able to give out $1,000-$2,000 scholarships to each Bridgehampton graduating senior. We are so grateful for the continued support of AT&T and the Leo Rosner Foundation.
Our Teens Speak About the Center’s College Prep

“I would like to express my most profound appreciation for Ms. Bonnie and the Bridgehampton Child Care & Recreational Center for supporting me throughout my college process. Ms. Bonnie not only celebrated my wins but turned every mistake into a learning opportunity. Her guidance has impacted me positively, and I am confident it will shape my developing skills and habits, as I begin a new chapter in my life. I appreciate Ms. Bonnie's act of kindness when she introduced me to Mr. Patrick Harris, who is my college advisor. From the beginning, Mr. Harris has been so tolerant when helping me fill out my college application, FAFSA, and other steps to complete my journey to getting into college. I appreciate how Mr. Harris went above and beyond, in assessing the best financial aid package that met my family's suitability. I got accepted into my desired major program, which is Biochemistry in my top choice colleges. I will always be thankful for Ms. Bonnie and Mr. Harris's advice, guidance, and support.”

**Ashanti Webley**, American University- Class of 2024

“The college advisor, Mr. Patrick, and The Center have helped me greatly throughout the process of getting into college. He gave so much special attention. He even contacted the schools individually to fix mistakes in my application. Mr. Patrick made sure that the schools had all of my correct information. Next year I will be attending SUNY Old Westbury. I have received the Keith Sea Greene Memorial Scholarship from Southampton High School. I am still not sure of my major, but I have a strong interest in psychology.”

**Allysha Thomas**, SUNY Old Westbury- Class of 2024

“The Center and the one-on-one counseling services helped me through the college process. I benefited greatly from Mr. Patrick's guidance. At first, my mom and I did not understand the college process, but now we do. I will be attending Penn State in the Fall. I have about $17,000 in financial aid and scholarships saved up. I am so grateful for the assistance I received from The Center’s College Prep Program. I will be majoring in sociology.”

**Tonia Pender**, Penn State- Class of 2024

“The SAT prep courses at The Center absolutely set me at ease, particularly with the Math and English sections. The instructors did a great job with providing step by step solutions to the toughest questions. The instruction also worked well with my learning style as I am a visual learner. With this programming, I was able to score higher than I would have on my own. I am truly grateful for the Bridgehampton Child Care & Recreational Center’s college prep and teen programs. As a member of the D.R.E.A.M teens, I have been able to view life from varying lenses because of the challenges in the workshops offered by Ms. Jenna. I have learned to balance my emotions during conflict and appreciate the simplicities life has to offer.”

**Alana Johnson**, American University- Class of 2024
V.I.V.A. at The Center, un Nuevo Programa Latino
Valiente-BRAVE/ Inteligente- SMART/Valioso-IMPORTANT/Ambicioso- ASPIRING

V.I.V.A. is the new Latinx Program at The Center offering programs and services for the entire community. The Center is embracing our community with English and Spanish classes, translation assistance, family counseling, and legal services. We surveyed our local community to receive feedback for desired program offerings and we received an overwhelming response for ENL classes.

Rossana Solares will be overseeing this program as our new V.I.V.A. Director. She currently participates in our After-School Program (teacher) and Outreach Program (Latinx outreach specialist). Also joining our team is Claudia Quintana as our ENL teacher. She taught ENL classes for 12+ years for the East Hampton School District. Other classes will be added: Spanish as a New Language, parenting, and a family reading program.

“The Center has wanted and needed a Latinx Department for a while. As the demographics of our community have continued to change, The Center recognized the need, and we are happy to have Rossana to head up this effort. Rosanna currently is an Outreach Specialist for human services needs for our Latinx community who have a language barrier. She is scheduling food pantry appointments and other needed services. She will be planning and introducing new programs via V.I.V.A. I am most excited about the Spanish classes. I believe that to bridge the gap between the communities, we need to be able to communicate with each other. The Center will be offering conversational Spanish classes for those who would like to learn how to speak Spanish. And yes, I plan on attending. I can’t wait.

This is a wonderful addition to our programs here at The Center.”

BONNIE MICHELLE CANNON
Our Thinking Forward Lecture Series is a series to educate, inspire, and open hearts and minds. It is for the entire community and has always been free. We start and continue important conversations. Our segments are: Equality Matters in the Hamptons; Straight Talk, Real People; Well, Well, Well; The Politics of it All.

As an historically Black organization, we began 2020 with 3 segments for “Equality Matters in the Hamptons”. Ko/uniFB01 Appenteng, President of the Africa-America Institute, moderated by Ken Miller, gave a powerful talk. We partnered with the Hayground School for a premier of the movie JUST MERCY, the Bryan Stevenson story. The Center screened the film WHITEWASH with a panel discussion. As part of our “Well, Well, Well” segment, we had a screening of the film DEATH BY DELIVERY followed by a panel discussion. Author of the book LIFE LESSONS, Milton Creagh, spoke for our “Straight Talk, Real People” segment.

In March we went mostly virtual and got creative to continue our mission to educate and inspire our community. Our virtual talks were many: Managing Stress; Healthy Food; Know Your Rights; Covid Conversations; Pregnant in the Pandemic; Help and Hope for Gamblers; Sickle Cell; Enough is Enough- Black Lives Matter; Men’s Health; Voting; Structural Racism, at-a-Glance. May was Mental Health Awareness Month. We had a series called “Is you Child Stressed Out?”

The Center believes strongly in partnering with local organizations. We are stronger together. We partnered with the Suffolk County Office of Minority Health several times. The County sent their van to us for a day of Cardiovascular screening and COVID antibody testing. There was a day for Breast Cancer screening at The Center and one for Voter registration. We partnered with the Southampton Arts Center for a Day of Unity and screening of the movie KILLER BEES. In August we had a 2-night outdoor Black Film Festival with the Parrish Art Museum.

The Center began a series of classes in the Fall by a Center Alum, called ZENITH. They taught African American history, a history not taught in American public schools.
EVENTS 2020

- **HEAF’S COLLEGE DECISION DAY**
- **CARE WASH**
- **KIDS HELPING KIDS**
  555 Challenge/ Lemonade Stand/
  Beaded Bracelets/ Car Detailing
- **DAY OF UNITY and screening of the movie**
  **KILLER BEES** in Partnership with the 
  Southampton Arts Center
- **ART SERIES LIVES** on Instagram- Bastienne 
  Schmidt, Eric Ernst, Tripoli Gallery
- **CONVERSATIONS with Bonnie** LIVE on Instagram 
  Andrea Grover/ April Gornik/ Elka Rifkin
- **Arlene Bujese Art Show**
- **PADDLE OUT** for Black Lives Matter
- **JACK & Jill- Rise Against Hunger**
- **BLACK FILM FESTIVAL** 2 nights at the Parrish 
  Art Museum
- **YARD SALE** to prepare for our new building
- **MOVIE SCREENING** at Haven’s Beach with the 
  Sag Harbor Cinema
- **Panel discussion at The Church, Righting the 
  Past, to Right the Future**
- **Talk at WOLFFER with Christy Turlington and 
  our director Bonnie Cannon**
- **GROUNDBREAKING** in October
- **GUILD HALL Night of Comedy** with Joy Behar
- **HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE** with Acre Shoe
- **SAUNDERS THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**
- **WOLFFER WREATH** Auction
TEACH ME HOW TO FISH

The Center is developing a new high-skilled work force training program called, “Teach Me How to Fish”. Through a planning grant from the Long Island Community Foundation, we are finalizing our program design, and, at the same time, piloting our initial program track in the STEAM fields. Through a partnership with “We Connect the Dots” and their Software Engineering Boot Camp, we graduated the first of many current and future participants and are in the process of working to help ensure a career pathway for him, which is looking bright. We will be transitioning from the planning and piloting stage to the implementation stage of this program in the coming months, as we continue to refine, expand, and grow our partnerships and funding streams.

It is a strategy to offer opportunities that will increase Equity on Long Island for those who have not had the option of attending college or who are looking to upskill and enter a career path in a high-growth sector of the American economy.

ABE JOHNSON - 1st Teach Me How to Fish Graduate
“...The Center’s new workforce training program helped me gain skills that instantaneously made my resume more attractive to employers. I now have a full-time job with many more continuing offers. I am so grateful to Ms. Bonnie and the Teach Me How to Fish Program for providing me the vehicle to grow and pursue my education, without the back breaking educational costs!”

BRIDGEHAMPTON CHILD CARE & RECREATIONAL CENTER (The Center)
OUR NEW BUILDING

The Center is proud and excited to announce our October 2020 groundbreaking for our long needed and awaited new building. Our DREAM of a new building is becoming a reality. It was an historic day for The Center. The invitation only ceremony, began with a brief history, given by Dan Rattiner. The little farmhouse, built in 1902 on six acres, was donated to create the Center after a 1949 fire in a migrant camp tragically killed two children. It has long been outgrown.

Speakers included LT Governor Kathy Hochul, Assemblyman Fred Thiele, Olga Elsehany, County Youth Bureau, Legislator Bridget Fleming, Town Supervisor Jay Schneiderman, Jesse Warren, Southampton Mayor. A powerful blessing was given by Center alum, Rev Travis Wilkins. Our After-School children presented thank you posters to our builder Buddy Wines, RLW4 Builders of Southampton, who is building our dream. The ceremony ended with our Executive Director, Bonnie Michelle Cannon, putting on a hard hat, climbing into the large bulldozer and making the first strike for the demolition.

The Center desperately needs more space to be able to serve more youth and teens. We will have a computer lab to give our children tomorrow’s skills and a library. The new building will offer community education space for groups to hold lectures, seminars, and to host our own Thinking Forward Lecture Series. It will create indoor space for our low-cost summer program during inclement weather.

Thanks to NYS Gov Cuomo and NYS Assemblyman Thiele, and many private donors, we have the money to build. There is still much funding needed to fill the building, landscape, and sustain it. The Center is heading forth with confidence in our wonderful community that we will achieve our goal.
“The Center is a family where we build on trust, honesty, and the need to work hard. The Center is a safe place where we make dreams come true. The Center is a pathway to the future, teaching that gratitude is the best attitude. For 14 years, I have looked forward every day for the opportunity of working with children of all different ethnicities. My motivation and inspiration is waking up knowing that I am making a difference in the lives of my students. The passion is fueled by the knowledge that I am able to inspire and enrich these young lives by sharing part of myself, my story, talents, and my creativity. We make learning fun. It’s a wonderful feeling that I will always keep in my heart.”

Born in Manhattan and fortunately finding his path to the East End, Mr. Robert has been teaching since 2011. He holds a BA in Communications and Early Childhood Education. He is a teacher and an incredible mentor for our children. He draws deeply from his heart and teaches with a firm motivational hand from his own life experiences. His words capture the essence of who we are at The Center.

BONNIE MICHELLE CANNON
Executive Director for 14 years

ROBERT KING
After-School Program Director

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Bonnie is a pioneer of leadership. The first African American women to be elected to the Southampton Board of Trustees, she currently serves on the Suffolk County Human Rights Commission and as chair of the SH Town Housing Authority. A recipient of the Southampton Village Citizenship Award, she has also served on the Southampton Village Cultural Center Board and the Southampton Village Planning Commission. She is the co-founder of the Southampton African American Museum and Center of Excellence and Coordinator for Neighborhood Community Meetings. A graduate of Howard University with a degree in Computer Management Information Systems, Cannon spent 20 years in Regional and Senior Staff management positions at Verizon. Bonnie has been the Executive Director of The Center since 2007.

““I decided to work at The Center because I always wanted to be a part of a vital resource that genuinely helps people in the community. I love our children. They are my family now. Although, I am best suited to teach through Culinary Arts and Gardening, I am developing many other disciplines by continuing to challenge myself and getting to know the needs of our families. I am better equipped to assist our children and help them become their best selves. My work here is so rewarding.”

Trained at the Culinary Institute, Mr. Doug is a chef and educator. This year he is the head teacher for our “Littles” group. For many years, Mr. Doug has taught cooking and healthy eating for all ages at The Center. He developed and continues to maintain our Soul Garden. Everyone loves Mr. Doug.

DOUGLAS GEE
Culinary Arts and Gardening Program Director

ANNE PRITCHARD
Executive Assistant and Teacher

“I love The Center. It feels like family to me. Working with children has always been my passion. I had the opportunity to watch a group of kids mature and blossom from 5-year-old “littles” to 12-year-old “middles”. The Center offers so many different enrichment programs. Some of my favorite memories are helping prepare our kids for presentations at Jazz for Jennings each year. It made me so proud to watch them up on stage, in the tent filled with 200 people, poised and happy to be there. I now have a full-time teaching job at another school during the day. I look forward to my late afternoon and Saturday time back at The Center.”

An educator with a Master’s in School Psychology, Ms. Shanae has been involved with The Center for six years. She has played many roles including head of After-School, Summer Program Director, teacher, mentor, and assistant to our director, Ms. Bonnie.

““The Center means so much to me because of the children. If I wake up a bit tired some mornings and think about not going in, I hear the kids calling Ms. Mary, and imagine all their wonderful questions and observations. It motivates, inspires me, and melts my heart. I love seeing the world through the eyes of the children.”

Ms. Mary has been an educator longer than most of us have been alive. Born in North Carolina, she came to the East End in the early 50’s. She loves children and became an elementary school teacher, not an easy feat almost 70 years ago for a woman of color. At 90 years old, she does not want to stay home, she wants to stay vital and give purpose to her life.

MARY TRAFTON
Teacher

THE TEAM
“I met Bonnie at an i-TRI event and Bonnie began speaking about all the great work being done at The Center, and the grand vision for the future. That very day, I was eager to take a tour. Once I stepped on the grounds, I felt an immediate warmth and eagerness to learn how I could be a part of this great work. As an established youth mentor and purpose coach, I proposed an opportunity to initiate a life skills program for the teens at The Center. Three years later my enthusiasm has tripled, and the work is thriving!”

The Center teens describe their work with Ms. Jenna and the D.R.E.A.M teens at “LIT”, which simply means exciting and inspiring in every way. The foundation of the program is Dedication, Responsibility, Education, Attitude and Motivation. Every teen that connects, will be mentally inspired, emotionally nurtured, and socially engaged. Time fuels her passion, and her passion is being passed on to our teens.

“I educate the community on the latest drug trends as well as services for support. I provide evidence-based programs to schools, as well as community organizations and groups. As a Certified Recovery Peer Advocate, I provide, connect, and create individuals a sober support network. For individuals not in substance recovery, I assist with creating a realistic plan of life goals, such as education, money management, housing, and working through barriers that prevent one’s success. As Community Outreach, I source potential organizations and opportunities that would be beneficial to The Center and the families and individuals that we serve.”

Kim joined our team just as the pandemic began. Like everyone at The Center, she is wearing many hats. A great deal of her time this year has been devoted to helping with our food pantry and individual community outreach and counseling.

“When I work with children, I feel purposeful knowing that I am making a contribution to their lives. I am here to help our children understand and complete their homework, offer another set of eyes to make sure all are getting their work done, but are also enjoying themselves. Engaging with all the opportunities available, following and understanding rules and forming healthy friendships. I love working with children. Children love you unconditionally and are so forgiving. Children bring so much joy to my life and make me laugh every single day.”

Ms. Rossana has established VIVA, our new Latino Department. She will focus on translations, adult ENL classes, working towards starting the adult Spanish as New Language classes for English speakers, legal counseling and a reading program aimed to help parents and families learn to read with and to their children. We want to instill the important idea that parents and caretakers need be more involved in their children’s schooling.

“I do what I do for the children and families. God has given us so many gifts. I feel blessed every day that I am able to help and serve so many in our community.” Ms. Gloria.

Our food pantry is Gloria Cannon’s special passion. At 80 years old, she does not slow down, offering guidance and moral support to our kids and staff alike. Helping as an office manager, and pre-COVID, as driver, assistant teacher and mentor to our children and staff.
PLANNED GIVING

MONTHLY GIVING
Consider setting up a monthly donation. This can be done via Pay-Pal or with automatic bank transfers.

FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS
How can your estate help underserved children and families? How can you help ensure The Center’s work for future generations?

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Thank you for considering The Center in your estate planning.
We urge you to consult with your legal and financial advisors prior to making any contributions.

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- **78%** Program Expenses
- **17%** Public Events and Fundraising
- **5%** Administrative Expenses

**SOURCE OF FUNDING**

- **48%** Individual Contributions
- **27%** Foundation Grants
- **9%** Event Income
- **13%** Government Grants
- **1%** Program Income
- **2%** Other

**2020 FINANCIALS**

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