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What is HOW's Initiative for Change?

It is the recognition that an investment in a fellow human being is the most important one any of us can make. It is the understanding that everyone deserves safe housing, and that this is the foundation of a successful life. It is a movement to permanently end homelessness.

As part of the Initiative for Change, your gift goes further by:

- Providing HOW with a consistent source of income to support programming and direct services
- Efficiently contributing to HOW directly, reducing fundraising costs
- Investing in HOW's long-term goals, giving you direct access with periodic reporting
- Help provide vital sustaining support for HOW's life-changing services by joining our monthly or quarterly giving program.

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Greeting from HOW CEO Britt Shawver and Board President James Fox

Dear Friends,

Together, we provided a home and stability to more than 900 of our neighbors that the world routinely over looks. Often, single moms and their children turn to HOW to get themselves on the path to self-sufficiency and financial independence. It starts with housing but, HOW provides much more; intensive case management, job readiness and placement support groups, healthy living classes, afterschool programs for children to mention just a few.



Our successes are real and concrete: 96% of our families stay housed, our afterschool academic program young people achieved a 3.0 GPA ("B" average) for the last school year and 80 individuals got jobs.

HOW has great plans for 2016! We will be housing more homeless veterans, increasing the number of children reached through our afterschool and summer academic programs, and collaborating in new ventures to reduce overhead and increase funding.

Thank you for continued generosity and support. Together, we can make a world of difference in the lives of the homeless in our care.

Best regards,

Britt Shaver, James Fox,
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HousingHOW housed 929 women, children and families in 374 apartments in Chicago. Thirty-eight apartments

January

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HWVery... Chicago

Annual Gala Dinner and Auction







HOW Very Annual Gala Dinner and Auction

HOW celebrated the successes of our residents with 300 friends and supporters at the Radisson BLU in downtown Chicago. HOW honored Kirkland and Ellis, longtime provider of pro bono legal services; Michael Weed accepted the award on their behalf.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	FRIDAY	Saturday
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Career Services

Having regular sustainable income is critical to maintaining housing and providing dignity for our residents. Through HOW Career Services 80 individuals found jobs! An additional 130 people engaged in job readiness training, resumé writing and computer skills enhancement training.



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Support Services

Clients come to HOW with multiple barriers preventing them from achieving self-sufficiency, such as disabilities, lack of work experience, criminal history, or addiction. HOW's intensive case managers work with each individual to build positive relationships and develop the life skills needed to realize their independence.



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Thank you HOW!

HOW's clients achieve success because of YOU! Your support enables our clients to stay housed, find jobs and prepare their children for success.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Gardening

HOW's summer camp program taught 50 young people the joy growing their own fruits and vegetables. This experience, combined with a rigorous classroom curriculum, reinforced the concepts of healthy nutrition, trying new foods, and cooking.



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19 Father's Day	20	21	22	23	24	25
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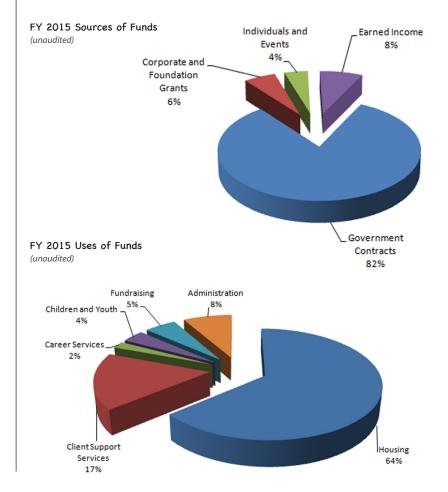
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Thank you HOW!

Every HOW client has a special and unique reason to be thankful. HOW clients share their reasons for their gratitude.

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3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21	22 YAWI	23
Parents' Day 31	25	26	27	28	29	30



Do you have an hour to spare?

Maybe you can read to a child or help maintain one of HOW buildings. Regardless of skill level your help is deeply appreciated. To volunteer please contact Daniel Summins at (773) 465 – 5770 ext 269 or dsummins@how-inc.org



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Women's Equality Day	





Golf Outing

Whether you are a pro or a duffer, you can help improve the life of a HOW client by joining us at our annual golf outing! Special thanks to event chair John Gekas for hosting this event. Check out our website at www.how-inc.org to learn more about all of our events!

September

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Annual meeting

HOW's annual meeting is always a great opportunity to celebrate our client's successes with our Board members, friends and supporters. Clients are thrilled to share their triumphant stories with the people who directly support them.



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Veterans

Military veterans sacrificed to protect and serve our country. According to the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services 2015 Point-in-Time Homeless Count, 6,786 Chicago veterans were without a place to call home. By June 2016, HOW intends to house more than 30 U.S. veterans.



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Holidays

The American dream of having your own place to live is alive and well at HOW. Our families can celebrate the holidays in the warmth and comfort of their homes. Thank you for being a part of the lives of the clients of HOW.



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18	19	20	21 December Solstice	22	23	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30	31
Chanukah/Hanukkah (first day)	Kwanzaa (until Jan 1)					New Years' Eve