Capri Capital Campaign: Near the Finish Line by Debra deNoyelles, Director of Development

Have you seen the earth movers and other heavy machinery at the Capri? We’re in the construction phase now, working to get as much done as possible before the inevitable weather pushes us into winter construction.

These are thrilling times! In addition to the daily construction progress, we’ve scheduled our ceremonial groundbreaking for October 17, and we’re also in the process of finalizing a New Markets Tax Credits (NMTC) partnership that will ultimately provide about $2.3M in equity.

NMTC is a program of the U.S. Department of the Treasury that encourages investment in low-income communities. The Treasury allocates tax authority to intermediaries, who then pick from proposed projects. Investors get a tax credit they can use against federal income tax obligations. PCYC was selected by three investors, and is working toward a planned closing date on the tax credits in mid-October.

The generosity of friends has us within striking distance of reaching our target – we’re now at 93% of our goal for contributions to the Capri Capital Campaign. We are working hard to close the gap, and we want to extend to you an invitation to make a first-time gift or add to your gift to help us cross the finish line!

Donate today, either online at our website, by check mailed to Capri Capital Campaign, 2210 Oliver Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55411 or by calling Debra deNoyelles at 612 643-2142. Every dollar counts as we move forward with this magnificent project that will open in 2020!

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PYC Arts & Technology High School Expands Project-based learning Opportunities by Janet Zahn, Director of Communications

Project-based learning (PBL) has been incrementally adopted in several PYC classrooms for the last couple of years. This year, PYC is introducing PBL to more students, in more classes, in a slightly proscribed manner. “It’s a new way of learning for most of our students, and is still fairly new for many staff members,” said David Tarleton, PYC Director of Education. “We want to wrap this in a way that allows students and staff to be successful, and ensures that projects meet standards and the expectations of the State of Minnesota.”

Tarleton sees real benefits to PBL for PYC students, particularly in its emphasis on expanding learning beyond the walls of the school. PBL projects can require students to meet local business people, or interview community experts in their fields, or students may work with kids from another school. “When done properly, students develop great ties to their community,” said Tarleton.

“Project-based learning serves our students well because it gives them more voice and choice in the topics they investigate – and still connects them to standards,” said Nate Christen, an English teacher at PYC. “Because the learning is individualized, students can work more at their own pace, which means some students can move forward at their own pace, which means some students can move

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Summer Camp Capri Scholars Reach ‘Higher Heights’ by Janet Zahn, Director of Communications

This year’s original Summer Camp Capri program, Higher Heights, “was centered in our desire for each of our students to reach their potential as individuals,” said Director Dennis Spears.

Students were challenged to delve deeply into many performance disciplines including writing, hand drumming, vocal music, beatboxing, dance and theater. They were taught by a team of amazing, experienced teaching artists including Spears, Rick Thompson, Kimberly Keaton, Diane Robinson, Terrell Woods and Chico Perez.

“Throughout the summer we learned that with focus, talent, grit and determination, we can do anything we set our minds to do!” proclaimed Spears.

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A Note From Anne Long

Dear Friends of PCYC,

With deep gratitude I dedicate this letter to the current and past members of the PCYC Board of Directors. As we prepare for our upcoming 65th annual meeting I am in awe of their collective vision, dedication, persistence and wise stewardship of this unique and successful nonprofit organization in North Minneapolis.

In my 46 years as a PCYC staff member, I’ve always known the Board to carry out its duties seriously and effectively. They act in the best interest of the mission, adhere to financial and governance accountabilities, keep a keen eye on programmatic outcomes, and support, evaluate, and work in concert with the executive director.

That said, there are at least three more key PCYC board characteristics that are essential to our ability to weather storms and take advantage of opportunities to advance our work.

1. Board members tell the story of PCYC’s accomplishments to everyone they know, with hope and excitement.

2. Board members often say that they receive more than they give through their board membership – and they rejoice in this reciprocal relationship.

3. Board members listen respectfully and take all ideas, opinions and values into consideration. Youth and community are always at the center of their decisions, along with the long-term sustainability of PCYC. Blame, gossip, and mean-spiritedness have no place in PCYC’s board room.

It is such a gift to have a board whose good intentions, support and wisdom we trust.

Thanks to all who have served on our board of directors over the past 65 years. Special thanks to those who’ve taken leadership roles, and to Karen Polzin, our current board president. Her clear vision, passion for our work, and superb people and financial skills deftly guide us toward the future.

Karen and her leadership team make a big difference – as do you.

Thank you, all.

Anne Long, Executive Director
**PCYC’s Impact-at-a-Glance**

**Summer 2018 and School Year 2018-19**

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**Key Growth & Learning Results / Children and Youth**

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<th>PYC Arts &amp; Technology High School</th>
<th>Out-of-School-Time Enrichment</th>
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<td>270 9–12th grade youth enrolled</td>
<td>77 K–5th grade children enrolled</td>
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<td>82% Graduation-eligible seniors earned their high school diploma</td>
<td>100% Families participated in family engagement activities</td>
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<td>100% Graduates had a plan for post-secondary education, vocational training, military service or gainful employment</td>
<td>44% Students who began the year below grade-level in reading increased a year or more in reading level.</td>
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<td>100% 2018 Summer Friends Enrichment</td>
<td>100% Families reported program satisfaction</td>
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<td>113 K–5th grade children enrolled</td>
<td>75 Middle and high school youth enrolled</td>
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<td>100% Children maintained or increased grade level reading skills for the 11th consecutive summer. No summer slide!</td>
<td>87% Demonstrated positive outcomes toward learning</td>
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<td>6,500 Approximate number of free meals served</td>
<td>82% Improved or maintained social skills and positive behaviors</td>
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<td>100% Families reported program satisfaction</td>
<td>100% Learned at least one new arts-related skill</td>
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**Cultural / Creative Arts Results**

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<td>8,210 Visitors attended events at the Capri including 925 people who came to celebrate during the <em>Six Days in May</em> closing performances.</td>
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<td>26 Clients rented the Capri for a wide variety of productions (truncated season due to theater closure).</td>
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<td>23% Rental clients were Northside residents or businesses who received discounted neighborhood rental rates.</td>
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**PCYC Northside Teen Clinic**

2,457 PYC and North Minneapolis teens received affordable, comprehensive health services on PCYC’s campus. The clinic is operated by NorthPoint Health & Wellness.

**PYC Wilderness Campers**

12 PYC students and staff traveled to the Wilderness Canoe Base during the 2018-19 school year. Many of the students experienced Minnesota’s expansive north woods, lakes and skies for the first time and all spent hours of learning, teambuilding and unmitigated fun together.

**PCYC Annual Children’s Gift Sale**

634 youth selected from over 3,488 gifts as they shopped for their families at the 2018 Children’s Gift Sale. 217 caring people made all this possible through generous gifts of time, talent, money and items for our gift store.

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To learn more about PCYC and its programs, visit pcycmpls.org and thecapritheater.org

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Audited Financial Statements  
12 Months – July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

Total Support & Revenue: $4,235,999

- Contributions: $1,374,285 (32%)
- Minneapolis Public Schools: $1,765,942 (42%)
- United Way: $723
- Other Government Grants and Contracts: $195,416 (4.6%)
- Program Service Fees: $758,000 (17.9%)
- Earned Income: $19,477 (0.4%)
- Rent: $26,282 (0.6%)
- Investment Income: $94,469 (2.2%)
- Miscellaneous Income: $1,405 (0.03%)

Total Support and Revenue: $4,235,999

Total Expense: $3,896,593

- Program Services:
  - Education Programs: $2,024,277 (52%)
  - Youth and Family Programs: $554,923 (14%)
  - Cultural Arts Programs: $498,935 (13%)

- Support Services:
  - Management and General: $533,082 (14%)
  - Fundraising: $285,376 (7%)

Total Expense: $3,896,593

Change in Net Assets from Operations: $339,406

Net Assets - Beginning of year: $7,488,066

Net Assets - End of year: $7,827,472

Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet)  
June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018

ASSETS  
2019  2018

Current Assets:
- Cash and Cash Equivalents: $402,346  $940,655
- Accounts Receivable: $311,777  $216,428
- Pledges and Grants Receivable: $286,225  $100,325
- Prepaid Expenses: $93,513  $76,901

Noncurrent Assets:
- Pledges and Grants Receivable - Net: $154,690  $446,359
- Investments: $3,163,259  $3,101,239
- Receivable from MACC Alliance: $17,225  $17,225
- Property and Equipment - Net: $6,384,943  $5,501,601

Total Assets: $10,783,976  $10,400,733

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities:
- Accounts Payable: $20,881  $23,961
- Accrued Expenses and Payroll Withholding: $308,842  $152,866
- Refundable Advance: $50,000  $50,000
- Current Portion of Notes Payable: $111,686  $107,235

Total Current Liabilities: $491,409  $334,062

Long-term Liabilities:
- Notes Payable: $2,465,095  $2,578,605

Total Liabilities: $2,956,504  $2,912,667

Net Assets:
- Without Donor Restrictions:
  - Board Designated: $834,762  $922,886
  - Undesignated: $2,938,267  $3,131,489

- With Donor Restrictions: $4,054,443  $3,343,691

Total Net Assets: $7,827,472  $7,488,066

Total Liabilities and Net Assets: $10,783,976  $10,400,733
Sharon Dalmau
Jill Davidson
Philip & Karen Davidson
Dennis Davis
Eric Davis
Sharon Davis
Laura & Norman Diament
Margaret A. Doherty
Karen Donhauser
Debra Doster
Michael DeVeau
Kellen DeYoung
Nina & Anthony D’Angelo
Joyce Diets
Jeff Dixon
Joan Doane
David Donivan
Geraldine Dooley
Janet Dorse & Joe Gaeddert
Lisa & Greg Golem
Rev. Richard Grady
Larry & Evelyn Drumm
David & Joan Drysdale
Michael & Deborah Ducar
Georgia & Mel Duncan

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Susan Harris
Gary Hart
Lucy Hartwell
Jack & Sharelene Hauer
Anne & Augustus Hauer
James & Susan Hocker
Mark & Jacqueline Hegman
Adrian S. Helgeson
Dean Helgeson
Diana Hendriksen
Homar Hesperud & Lee Schubert
Dee Herzog
Gary Hesser & Nancy Homans
Robert & Cathy Hewett
Sandy & John Hey
Janice & Brad Higekamp
Janet Hively
Sherman & Corry Hoagland
Thomas & Nancy Hoefdiedt
Kathy Hoff & Bertie Opper
Peter & Gregory Holley
Rosemary & Al Holman
Barb & Pamela Hope
Marc A. Hope
Andrew Honestman & Katy Perry
Michael & Christa Hucke
Roseanna Hrudaks
Ray & Alice Hunder
Ronald & Renee Hunter
June Husom
Rheta Husom
Susan Hutterer

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Jeanne & Dennis Ingram

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Richard W. Jackson
Tony Jackson
Debra Jarves
Bernard Jean
Richard Jeub
Jo & Susan Johnson
Linda John
Carmen Johnson
Pastor Curt G. Johnson
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David & Janet Johnson
Shepard & Janet Johnson
William & Janet Cox Johnson
Joana Johnson
Karen Johnson
Lary & Barbara Johnson
Mary & John Johnson & Betty Zettelmann
Nancy Johnson
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Jackie Thompson
Patricia & Joseph Thompson
Ken Thompson
Mary & Norway Peterson
Jaleeza Smith-Breedlove is Interim Program Director for OST
by Janet Zahn

Jaleeza Smith-Breedlove is a lifelong resident of North Minneapolis who grew up watching the women in her family work together for the betterment of students and families across the Northside. She joined PCYC’s Out-of-School-Time (OST) team in April of 2017 as Program Manager.

Smith-Breedlove’s innate talent for social work, combined with her Master’s Degree in Social Work with a specialty in Program Development from Augsburg College, make her a natural fit for leading PCYC’s OST program. “I really like seeing how the kids grow,” she said. “One of our scholars, who was a kindergartner when I started, is now in the third grade. I have enjoyed seeing how she has progressed over the years, and I’ve been able to share many happy moments with her.”

“I live by the words, ‘Every child needs one adult who is outrageously, ridiculously happy for them.’ I am over-the-top happy for our scholars, for even the little bitty things they accomplish. It annoys them, but they love it.”

OST provides academic enrichment activities in reading, math, and social-emotional learning as well as other learning opportunities in art and science. This fall the program is serving 70 kindergarten through 5th grade scholars who came to PCYC primarily from the Northside Achievement Zone (NAZ). Enrollment is currently open for all students in grades K-5. Interested families can contact Jaleeza directly at jsmith-breedlove@pcyc-mpls.org or 612-643-2096.

Smith-Breedlove and her team are recruiting volunteers for the program, too. “If anyone has a passion for children, or hobbies to share, we’re the place for you.” Interested volunteers should contact Megan Fair, mfair@pcyc-mpls.org or 612-643-2092.

Legacy Giving at PCYC

We are so grateful for the many friends who’ve made a legacy gift by including PCYC in their estate plans. To leave a gift in your will, simply share this sentence with your attorney or financial planner: “I bequeath ______ or ______% of my estate to Plymouth Christian Youth Center, 2210 Oliver Avenue North, Minneapolis, MN 55411.”

That’s all it takes to leave a lasting legacy of hope in North Minneapolis. Please call Debra deNoyelles, 612-643-2042, if you’re interested in learning more, and don’t forget to let us know if you’ve taken this very generous step.

PCYC Mission

To enrich the skills, prospects and spirit of North Minneapolis area youth and adults, in partnership with families and communities.

Perspectives

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Please join us for our 65th Annual Meeting
Friday, November 1, 2019
Noon – 1:30pm

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Minneapolis, Minnesota

RSVP by Wednesday, October 23 to Megan Fair
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Space is limited.
Free will offerings are welcomed.
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quickly and earn more credits, or if someone needs more time and support they can receive it.”

PBL does present some challenges in the classroom. “There are a lot of different thing going on at the same time. For me that means a lot of floating, checking in, trying to provide as many supports as possible,” said Christen.

“Teachers are sometimes uncomfortable on the front side of things,” added Tarleton. “They lose a little control. They’re asked to be less the expert, and more the collaborator and facilitator.”

Shayanna Scott, a senior at PYC, thinks the hard part about Project-based learning is “staying on track. You don’t have the classroom structure, and it’s easy to get behind. You really have to learn how to manage your time.” But for Scott, the positives of PBL far outweigh the negatives. “It’s very flexible. There are more options for kids, and you can work independently. …It’s also really nice to see how other people learn and how others are thinking. You learn to be open minded and see different possibilities. It’s a good experience.”

Scott’s current project for English class involves a deep dive into August Wilson’s Fences. Christen has another student who’s chosen to study the importance of childhood literacy and intends to find funding for, and a place to install, a Little Free Library dedicated to children’s books.

“Student engagement is higher,” said Christen. “This method better prepares students for the kinds of work that they’ll be doing after high school.”

Tarleton agrees. “We know that we have to find different ways to connect, involve and engage with our students. The traditional ways don’t always work…. When students are involved in designing their projects to meet their educational needs, with their own interests in mind, they have a greater connection and investment in their learning. That’s what we want for our students.”

Shayanna Scott, PYC Senior

Contact David Tarleton at 612-643-2025 or dtarleton@pcyc-mpls.org.
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