

ANNUAL REPORT 2019



THE
COMMON
PLACE





EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR STATEMENT

The city block in Southwest Philadelphia where The Common Place sits has been serving children and families for over a century. When I think of the Common Place beginning only six years ago, I am astonished not only by what God has done in this brief window of time but also by his devotion to setting this space aside for this purpose so many years ago. Today, a well-rounded array of services is in place through programming in education, the arts and nutrition as well as other social services provided through collaborative partnerships.

Through our long-standing relationship with the community, we were well aware of the neighborhood needs when TCP was being conceptualized but it was also important that we had valid statistics to back-up this knowledge. In the early stages of our program development, we were blessed with a community needs study developed by a graduate student from the University of Pennsylvania. In 2019, we were provided a grant which funded a comprehensive Community Assessment study for SW Philadelphia. This study provided a wealth of statistical information and confirmed that TCP was on the right track in its focus developed to meet the needs of children and families in the area.

This study also helps to provide a statistical foundation for our internal metrics which help us to measure impact. To see this study, go to our website (www.tcpphilly.org) and click “About Us”.

TCP now offers an after-school enrichment program, a summer camp, nutrition education & culinary arts, a technology center, a trade’s camp, a music program, a summer youth volunteer program, worship, and spiritual direction counseling. Understanding that children in the area are subject to exposure to the challenges of urban living, staff now participates in training in Trauma Informed Care. This training assists us in utilizing social/emotional skills in working with students and families.

All of this has been made possible by the grace of God, our generous donors, our devoted staff, our partners, our dedicated volunteers and all that have participated in making the Common Place dream come true. As we move forward, we face the ongoing challenge of ensuring sustainability to carry on what God started so many years ago. We are grateful for your continued prayer and support.

Peter W. Grim
Executive Director



BOARD MEMBERS & KEY STAFF

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Wayne, PA

KEY STAFF

Huan Baum, PhD Candidate

Assist. Executive & Program Director
The Common Place

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Dir. of Outreach & Fundraising
Administration
The Common Place



KEY PARTNERSHIPS

Broad Street Ministries

www.broadstreetministry.org
Philadelphia, PA

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

www.bmpc.org
Bryn Mawr, PA

Cornerstone Christian Academy

www.cornerstonephiladelphia.com
Philadelphia, PA

Grace Christian Fellowship

www.mygcf.com
Philadelphia, PA

Lenape Valley Presbyterian Church

www.lenapevalleychurch.org
New Britain, PA

New Spirit Community Church

Philadelphia, PA

Pennsylvania State Representative Joanna McClinton

www.pahouse.com/McClinton
Philadelphia, PA

The Presbytery of Philadelphia

www.presbyphl.org
Philadelphia, PA

The University of Pennsylvania

www.upenn.edu
Philadelphia, PA

Williamson College of the Trades

www.williamson.edu
Media, PA

Wayne Presbyterian Church

www.waynepres.org
Wayne, PA

Programming

The After-school, Saturday Enrichment, and Summer Programs

- *Homework help & College Prep*
- *Cooking instruction*
- *Fine and Graphic Arts*
- *Coding*
- *Trades*

The Common Place Orchestra

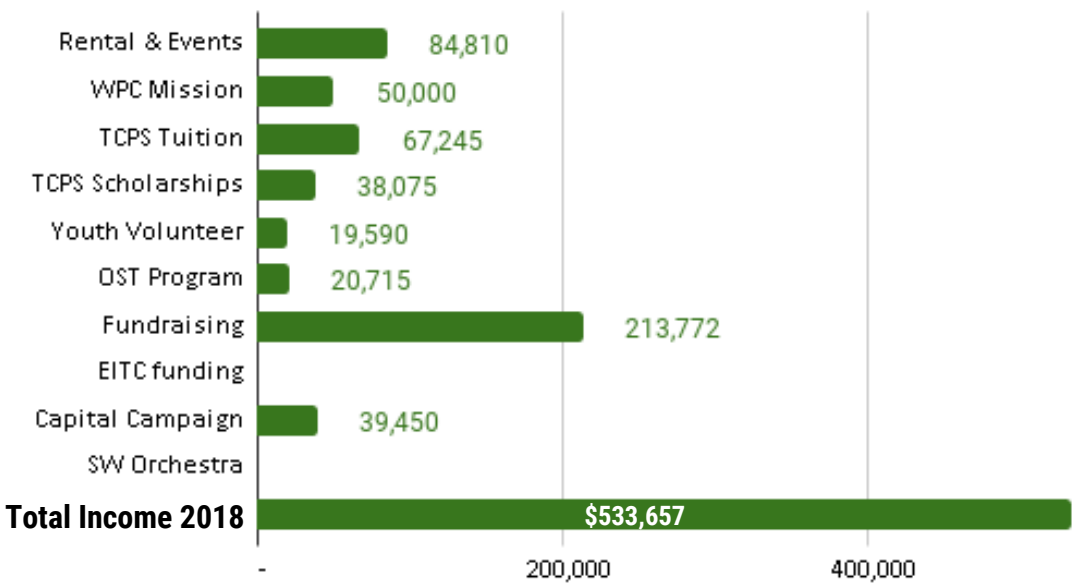
A Common Youth Initiative

- *Youth Mission program (Broad Street Ministries)*

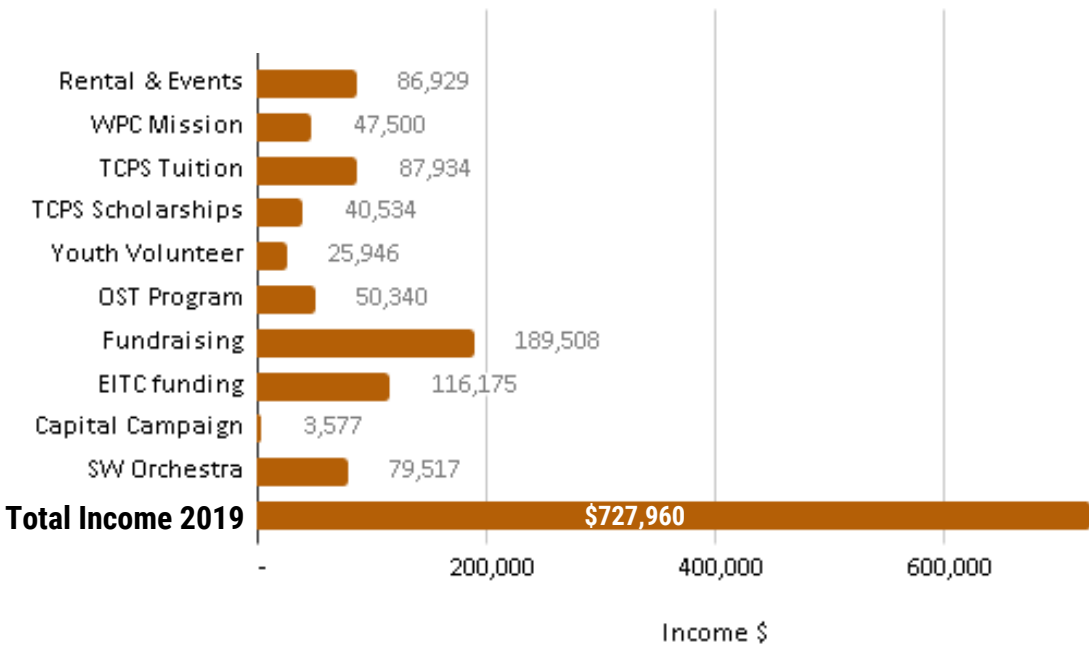


FINANCIALS: INCOME

Income 2018



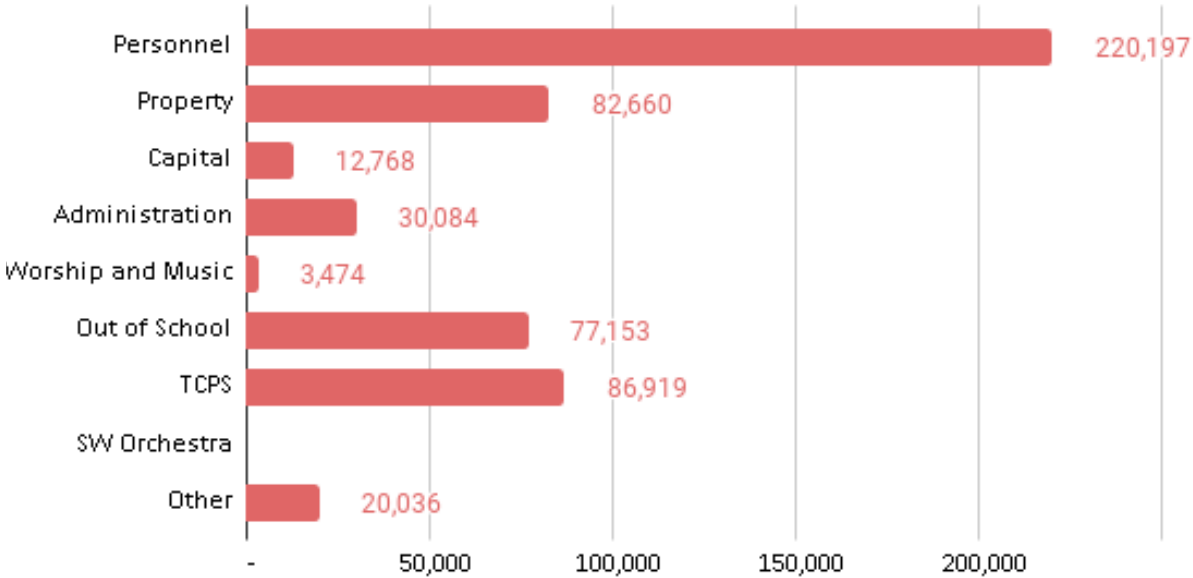
Income 2019





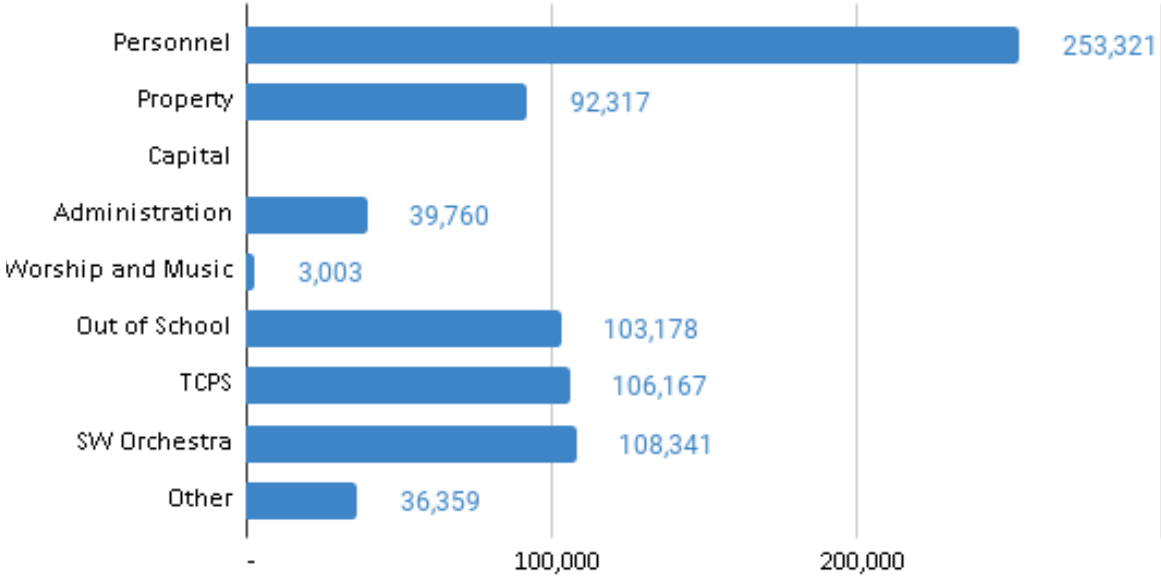
FINANCIALS: EXPENSES

Expenses 2018



Total Expenses - 2018: \$533,291

Expenses 2019

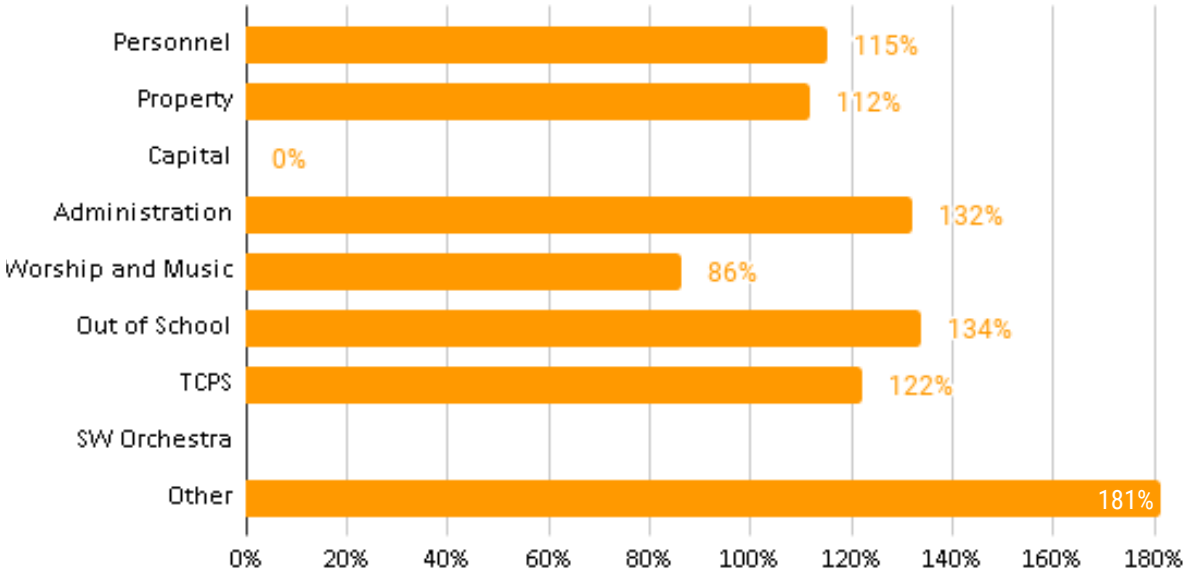


Total Expenses - 2019: \$742,446

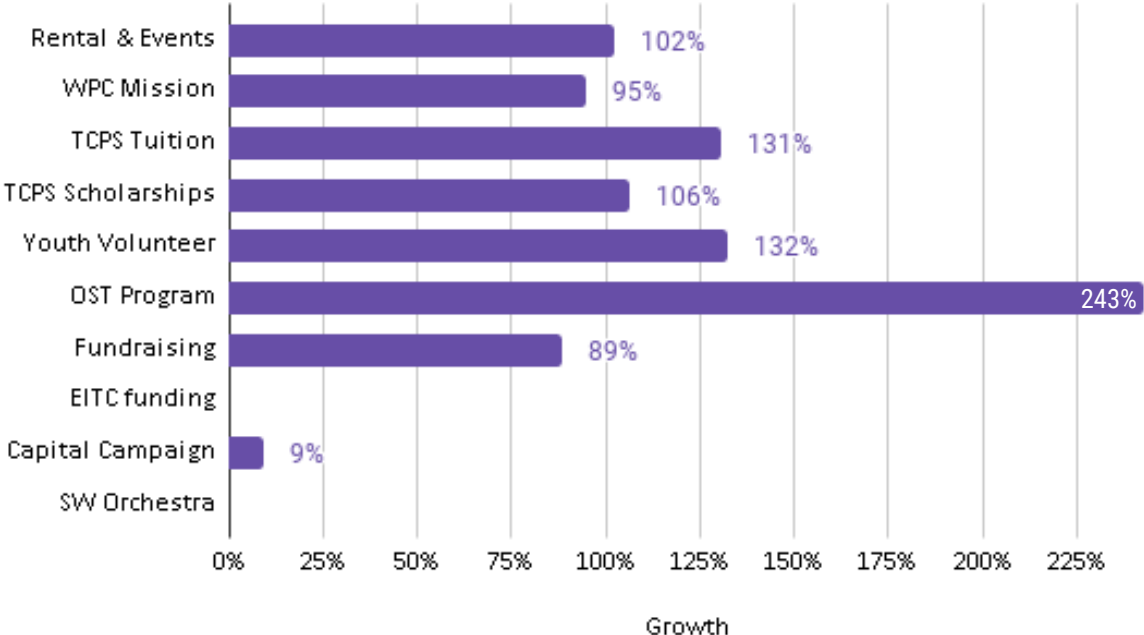


FINANCIALS: 2018 VS 2019

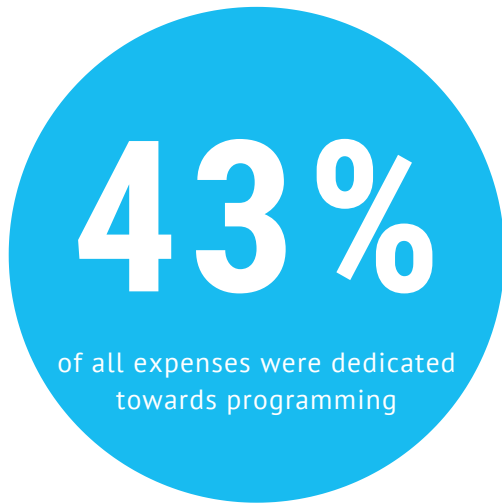
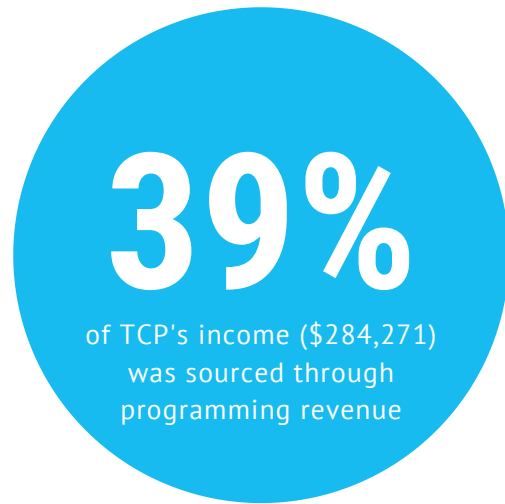
Expenses 2018 vs. 2019



Income 2018 vs. 2019

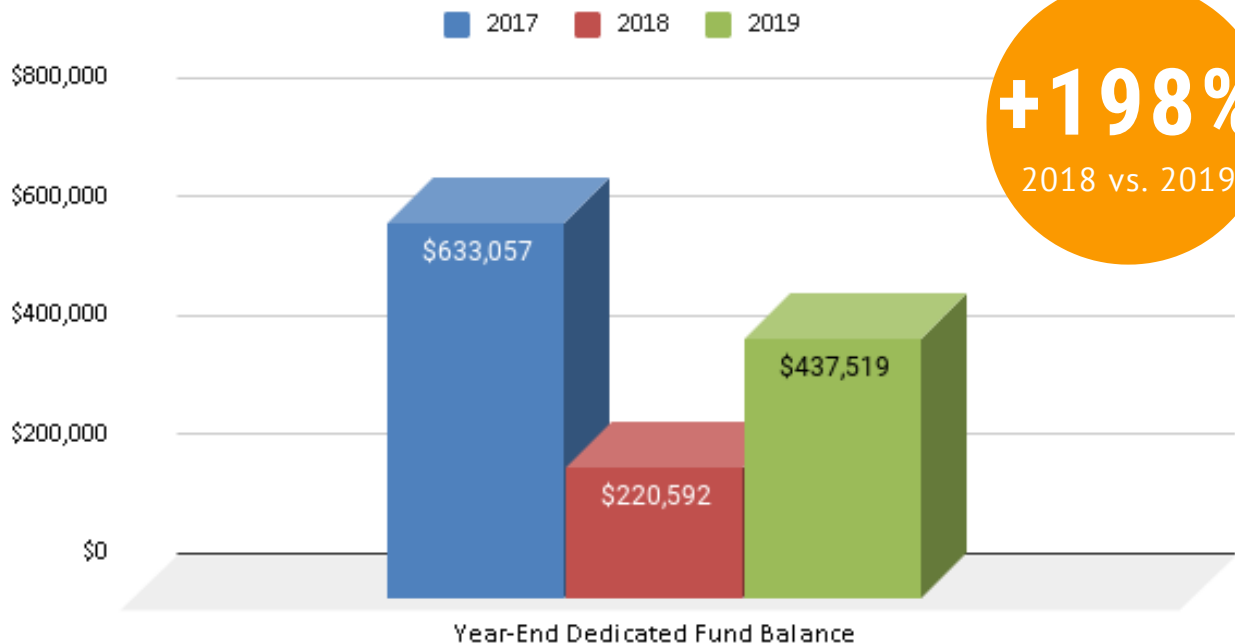


TOTAL PROGRAM INCOME



TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES

Year-End Dedicated Fund Balance





HOW TO GIVE

There are many ways to support The Common Place. Financial contributions are one means of empowering The Common Place to fulfill its mission of serving the children and families of Southwest Philadelphia. Monetary donations can be designated for a specific program or purpose. Donations to The Common Place can be made by check, appreciated securities, or credit card via PayPal.

Checks should be made payable to The Common Place and mailed to:

The Common Place
Attn: Peter Grim, Executive Director
5736 Chester Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19143

Donors wishing to contribute appreciated securities should contact **Neil Hartman, Director of Finance and Administration, Wayne Presbyterian Church, at 610-688-8700 for direction.** Non-monetary donations, such as goods or services that benefit The Common Place, are also welcome.

EITC/OSTC

Through the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's (DCED) Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program (EITC) The Common Place Scholars (TCPS) program is Educational Improvement Organization (EIO). This means Pennsylvania taxpayers and corporations may redirect their state income tax to The Common Place and receive a tax credit of up to 90%. Please contact **Doug McBrearty** at dmcb@gulphcreek.us.

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OUR MISSION

The Common Place serves children and their families in Southwest Philadelphia through educational programs, social service, collaboration, and faith formation.



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