MISSION STATEMENT
Tacoma Community House creates opportunities for immigrants and other community members in the Puget Sound region through comprehensive services focused on self-sufficiency, inclusion and advocacy.

VISION STATEMENT
We are a pathway to change leading to generations of self-sufficient people and a region welcoming of immigrants and refugees.

VOICES OF TCH
Visit our website and learn how our participants are reaching new heights.

Scan the QR code with your smartphone to read success stories about our participants.
For many, the immigrant experience brings challenges beyond learning a new language. Once arriving in their new community, they may feel isolated as they navigate life in an unfamiliar country, often with limited financial resources and support systems. Access to services in the health and education systems, jobs and housing, as well as emotional isolation, prejudice, and basic cultural differences shape the ability of newcomers to be successful in their own lives.

At Tacoma Community House, our hope and plan is to support them throughout their journey, along with the hundreds of other community members we have capacity to serve each year. With so much need, though, the demand for our services has never been greater. Still, the prospects for our future have never been more promising.

Last year, we provided comprehensive services to nearly 3,000 immigrants and other community members, helping them regain their independence and start life anew.

But that’s just the beginning.

Seeking to reach new heights, our vision for the future includes expanding services in more areas of the county in order to lead more people toward successful lives. Our vision also includes launching a defined social advocacy program for immigrant rights and low-income issues. Because of your generous support, you have helped us make excellent progress in seeing this vision become realized.

In our Read2Me program, for instance, we were able to expand the reading literacy program into two additional elementary schools earlier this year. We also established a new anti-human-trafficking task force made up of various community organizations, law enforcement, advocates, and others.

These new initiatives, along with our existing programs and services, could not be undertaken without the generous investments being made to Tacoma Community House. Thank you for believing – for investing – in our work.

Sincerely,

Rev. Wesley Stanton  
President  
Board of Directors

Liz Dunbar  
Executive Director
This past year, we stayed grounded in our roots of service by supporting nearly 3,000 immigrants, refugees and other community members in need.

1,324 Individuals provided with accredited immigration and citizenship services, of whom 187 became new citizens.

968 Adults, youth, and children who learned English as a Second Language, improved their basic reading, writing and math skills in our Adult Basic Education and Read2Me programs.

12,538 Fulfilled requests for interpretation and translation services through The Language Bank.

337 Individuals moved towards economic security through job readiness training, financial education, paid internships, and other employment services.

2,625 Service hours to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, and other crimes.
We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community... Our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others, for their sakes and for our own.

CESAR CHAVEZ
TO P 20 COUNTRIES SERVED BY TC H:

1. Mexico
2. USA
3. Vietnam
4. Ukraine
5. Moldova
6. Cambodia
7. Russia
8. Yemen
9. El Salvador
10. Peru
11. Somalia
12. Kenya
13. Samoa
14. Philippines
15. Iraq
16. Thailand
17. Cuba
18. Belarus
19. Laos
20. Panama

"The only tired I was, was the tired of giving in."

ROSA PARKS
Jamila Haji is determined to make something of herself and “BE SOMEBODY.” With help from her mentors, she’s received tutoring assistance, an internship, help applying for college and on-going support to encourage her to pursue her dreams.

Duy Nguyen Pham knows EDUCATION IS IMPORTANT. He came to TCH and enrolled himself in English as a Second Language classes last year. He excelled, quickly moving from ESL level 2 to level 4 in six months.

Working with TCH mentors, Nadya Kotova has received assistance with school and tips to find employment. NADYA CREDITS TCH for her full and busy life blessed with a job she loves, a career she aspires to and seemingly limitless possibilities unfolding before her.

Dwight Mason, a COMMUNITY-MINDED VOLUNTEER, discovered our Read2Me program almost 6 years ago and has been a tutor ever since. He enjoys working with the young students saying, “You feel like you’re making a difference when you’re one-on-one with a child.”

Noeun Chin, a Buddhist monk from Cambodia, was invited to Tacoma to work at a temple. The only roadblock he experienced was he knew little English. To BREAK THROUGH THE BARRIER, Noeun signed up for English as a Second Language classes at TCH!
THANK YOU SUPPORTERS

To the generous individuals who made gifts up to $50 (not listed) we wish to extend heartfelt thanks. Each and every contribution is meaningful and makes a difference in the lives of individuals in the Puget Sound region.

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Total Public Support & Revenue

2012 $3,754,520

- Church Support $200,145
- United Way $79,826
- Contributions $126,633
- Special Events $6,065
- Foundations/Grants $191,882
- Contracts $2,265,309
- Program Service Fees $745,345
- Investment Gain $46,591
- Other Revenue $92,724

Allocation of Expenses

2012 $3,357,963

- Client Advocacy $270,308
- Education $650,172
- Employment $996,956
- Immigration $213,022
- Volunteer Services $114,588
- Interpretation & Translation $600,221
- General & Administrative $320,213
- Fundraising $192,483

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