

JOY

BALTIMORE

2018 YEAR IN REVIEW



RAPID REHOUSING



Lonnie Walker

J.O.Y. Baltimore has had a very successful year, and we owe it all to our community, corporate partners and sponsor, and, most of all, our clients. In 2018, we were able to ramp up our outreach efforts thanks to the integration of rapid rehousing into our program. Along with housing placements, J.O.Y. has had great success in helping our clients obtain their Birth Certificates, State IDs, Social Security Cards, School Enrollment, and Medical Appointments. We are proud to be able to provide our clients year-round access to Employment, Food Stamps, Food, Clothing, Hygiene Supplies, Transportation and Mental Health Assessments. We have truly been able to make J.O.Y Baltimore a one-stop shop.

Thanks to our partnership with The Jacques Initiative, J.O.Y. is currently operating our Drop-In Center at the Jacques Journey Center, 880 Park Avenue, in Baltimore City. We meet with Monday thru Friday from 10:00am to 5:00pm. At our off-site Drop-In Center located at 2653 Maryland Avenue in Baltimore, where we also meet with clients and distribute donations by appointment only.

J.O.Y had 155 active clients in 2018, and we became part of HMIS as a Drop-in Center. It has been challenging entering all of our clients in the system due to our lack of funding and dedicated staffing. But, we are very confident that 2019 will be bringing us even more success.

J.O.Y. has the greatest partners and sponsor! They make it possible for us to provide our clients with the services and events needed by our community. In 2018, J.O.Y. expanded our community partnerships. Here is our current list:

- Loving Arms
- GLCCB
- AIRS
- YES
- ShareBaby
- Morning Star Baptist Church
- StandUp Baltimore
- Baltimore International Black Film Festival
- Homeless Persons Representation Project
- Family League
- MD Food Bank
- Yo Baltimore/John Hopkins Harriett Lane Clinic
- Aids Action Baltimore
- Art with a Heart
- Brenda Boyd



- Baltimore Public School System
- Reengagement Center
- Yo Baltimore East
- Yo Baltimore West
- Jacques Journey Center
- Divine Light
- St. Ambrose
- Team Thrill Basketball
- Thrive
- Maryland Department of Health & Mental Hygiene
- Club Bunns
- Kora Lee's Dessert Café
- Maryland Office of Employment and Development (MOED)
- Out For Justice
- The JACQUES Initiative



For the second year in a row, J.O.Y. has hosted YouthWorks Summer Youth workers where we provided job training, as well as, access to community services. Also for the second year, Mazie Chapman and Element Fleet have come in and made sure our "Oh Give Thanks" Celebration for Thanksgiving was a success. We also have to thank the Vaughn Greene Family and staff of the Vaughn Greene Funeral Home, DTLR, Stand Up Baltimore and all of our other corporate and community sponsors for helping us to serve a record number of people this year.

2019 GOALS

In 2019, J.O.Y. has a plan to expand our program's vision to reflect our expanding services and growing community needs. Here is a preview of our upcoming program transformation:



The Vision of J.O.Y Baltimore S.P.A (Safe Place for All)

- Housing Services (Coordinated Access)
- Food Stamps
- Child Care Vouchers
- Mental Health
- Host Home Referrals (ST. Ambrose)
- Computer Lab
- Employment Center
- Documentation
(Access to J.O.Y as an address)
- Educational Training (GED, Parent Classes, etc.)
- Transportation
- Clothing Boutique & Grooming Salon
- After School Program
- Basic Needs Store
- Kids Area
- Gym Classes
- Day Work Program (Moving & Hauling, Office Cleaning, Maintenance, Painting & Snow Removal)

"I aspire to inspire before I expire" -Lonnie Walker

Rapid Rehousing Success Story: Meet the Richardson's

JOY Baltimore has had much success in 2018 with rapid rehousing. Here is just one of many written by our client, Shamekia Richardson about her rapid rehousing experience.



I would like to say thank you Lonnie Walker and the Joy Baltimore family. You have become a part of our family forever for helping us in our time of need and for that we are eternally thankful. Just a few months ago I applied for housing assistance with Mr. Lonnie Walker, and we are now in a nice, warm home thanks to his dedication and determination to help us.

I am a single mother with 3 kids that found myself in a hardship a few years ago. I lost my place back in 2015 and had no where to go with my 3 children, taking after my own mom I had to do what I had to do for my kids sake. I found a relatively safe area and slept in my car with my kids for a few weeks until I saw an opportunity to move into an abandoned house. My kids and myself have a lot of medical issues so I knew I needed to find a new place soon. I started working a part time for some income and confided in a friend about my predicament and she told me about Joy Baltimore. I went the next day and applied. Mr. Walker told me it would be a process but we are going to get you and your babies a home. I warned him I would bother him every day until we got a place, I even went to give him a deadline by Christmas 2018. He laughed and said it would be no problem as far as me calling every day and that I would never get on his nerves.

During the process of my application waiting to be accepted, Mr. Walker helped me out with food, clothes, shoes, pampers, and just about anything else my family would need. He even invited us to a Thanksgiving Party at Joy Baltimore. He reached out to me right before Thanksgiving with the best news ever! I gotten accepted by a program and I was able to move in before Christmas! I cried I was so happy, and my children was surprised when I drove to our new home. To this day Joy Baltimore is continuing to help us with furniture, food, and clothes but most importantly the love of a family that cares.

2018 PROGRAM STATS



J.O.Y. Baltimore has exceeded our goals for 2018. With the introduction of rapid rehousing and the creation of new partnerships, we have been able to help our clients meet their needs and place them on the track to success.

Here is just a brief overview of our 2018 accomplishments.

Housing

- Families 4 - Permanent Supportive Housing
- Young Adults 18-25 - Rapid Rehousing 7
- Young Adults 18-24 - Host Homes 3-month program (St. Ambrose) 7
- Young Adults 18 =24 Hope House 2-year Transitional Housing (St. Ambrose) 4
- Children & Families - Shelter Care 8 Families

Food Stamps Approvals

- Applications Processed 62
- Approved 55

Youth Connect Summer Jam '18 (Contracted by Family League)

- Resource Vendors 65
- Youth 265
- Parents 45

Youthworks 2018 (2nd Year)

- Youth 40 Employed

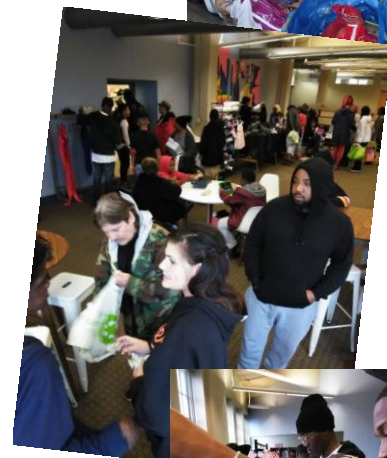
Employed youth over the summer teaching Labor Marketing Orientation Skills in the Work Place, Interview Skills, and provided access to permanent housing, employment and education.

2018 “Oh, Give Thanks” Thanksgiving Dinner

- People Fed 310 (Line around the corner)
- Volunteers 100

Here is a list of this past year sponsors:

- Element
- Project Restore
- The Jacques Initiative
- The Annie E. Casey Foundation
- Mazie Chapman and Events By Trinity LLC
- Vaughn Greene
- Baltimore Corps
- 16 on Park
- IHOP
- Fogo de Chao
- Kona Grill
- DTLR
- Stand Up Baltimore
- Starbucks
- St. Ambrose
- Cafe Fili
- IABT & IABT MULTISPORT Racing Inc.
- Michelle Smalls - Paparazzi Jewelry
- MSP Custom Solutions
- Project Biggs
- Baltimore Cease Fire
- Meet 4 A Cause
- Order of the Eastern Star
- Baltimore International Black Film Festival
- Club Bunns
- Mu Phi Sigma Fraternity and Delta Mu Sorority
- Princess Warriors
- CBHIVP
- Downtown Partnership
- Maryland Screen Printers
- Royal Catering
- Wegmans
- Giant Supermarket
- Target
- Walmart and Sam’s Club
- Ross Dress for Less and DD’s Discounts
- Sharp Dressed Man
- Farajii Muhammad and WEAA.org
- Megan Knight – WMAR ABC2
- Brenda Boyd



Miracle on Lexington Street Tree Lighting Ceremony

- Gifted Children 175
- Parents 45

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- Downtown Locker Room
- Family League
- St. Ambrose
- Jacques Journey Center
- Loving Arms
- Stand up Baltimore
- Baltimore Corps
- Baltimore City Public Schools (Reengagement Center)
- Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- Baltimore International Black Film Festival
- Club Bunns
- Project Restore
- Mu Phi Sigma Fraternity and Delta Mu Sorority





Derrick Chase

Derrick Chase is a businessman, poet, educator, author, spoken word artist, entertainment producer, and community activist in Baltimore, Maryland. He is a graduate of Baltimore City public school system and Morgan State University. As the owner of Chase Executive Holdings Group, LLC, he privately invests in businesses throughout the state.

Derrick, also known as DChase, is a pioneer in the national spoken word and neo-soul music scenes and recorded the highly acclaimed spoken word album *Urban Blues*. DChase is also well known on the entertainment scene for launching the career of Grammy Nominated Artist Raheem DeVaughn.

In 2000, Derrick shared the story of the Million Man March with his children's book "When Change Comes: The Story of the Million Man March". Derrick continues to serve his community as a mentor and educator for young men. He is a staple in Baltimore as an activist and was elected as the first President of the International League of Families.

Last but not least, Derrick is the founder of The Coalition for the Transformation and Betterment of Baltimore. The coalition was founded in the wake of the 2015 Baltimore Uprising to coordinate the efforts of the many forces working to improve the quality of life for residents of Baltimore.

Derrick Chase takes great pride in his family as an adoring husband and proud father of two boys.

Nate Fields

Mr. Nate Fields currently works as the Vice President of Public Space Maintenance for Downtown Partnership of Baltimore where he oversees a team of twenty-five employees whose services ensure downtown Baltimore is a clean, safe, and welcoming place. Nate's professional background includes eighteen years of experience providing outreach services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness, mental health treatment, and family strengthening training. Prior to his current position, Nate developed the first outreach team and citywide outreach strategies for the Mayor's Office of Human Services. He also has experience training staff and managing services at a foster care agency and has worked as a rehabilitation counselor. Nate obtained a Bachelor's degree from Bowie State University.

Nate is a proud Baltimore City native and is tremendously committed to serving people in his community and has dedicated his life to ensuring that every person has the opportunity to realize their dreams. He has a special passion for serving people who are experiencing homelessness due to his own experience successfully overcoming these same challenges.

