

UNH MEMBERS 2009

UNH's members — 38 independent settlement houses and community centers — comprise one of the largest human service systems in New York City, providing high quality services at more than 400 sites to more than a half million New Yorkers each year. These services include child care, after school programs, adult education and employment programs, English and citizenship classes, legal services, senior centers and home delivered meals.

- Arab-American Family Support Center
- CAMBA
- Center for Family Life in Sunset Park
- Chinese-American Planning Council
- BronxWorks
- Claremont Neighborhood Centers
- Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation
- East Side House Settlement
- The Educational Alliance
- Goddard Riverside Community Center
- Grand Street Settlement
- Greenwich House
- Hamilton-Madison House
- Hartley House
- Henry Street Settlement
- Hudson Guild
- Jacob A. Riis Neighborhood Settlement House
- Kingsbridge Heights Community Center
- Lenox Hill Neighborhood House
- Lincoln Square Neighborhood Center
- Mosholu Montefiore Community Center
- New Settlement Apartments
- Northern Manhattan Improvement Corporation
- Project Hospitality
- Queens Community House
- Riverdale Neighborhood House
- SCAN New York – LaGuardia Memorial House
- School Settlement Association
- Shorefront YM - YWHA of Brighton-Manhattan Beach
- Southeast Bronx Neighborhood Centers
- St. Matthew's and St. Timothy's Neighborhood Center
- St. Nicks Alliance
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UNH Board Member Jimmy Barge with VIACOM colleagues at Cypress Hills LDC.



Dear Friends:

It is often said that adversity does not build character, it reveals it. This statement holds true when applied to the strength and resilience shown by UNH member agencies during this period of economic downturn. Faced with reductions in funding and an increased demand for their services, UNH members – with the leadership of their Executive Directors who are effectively steering their organizations through these tough times – are rising to the challenge and meeting the growing needs of individuals and families in New York City.

UNH is proud of the resourcefulness our member agencies exhibited over the past year and the role we played in their success. In 2009, UNH stepped up its advocacy efforts to sustain government funding for the range of services our members provide to diverse and vulnerable populations in the City, such as early childhood education for low income families, citizenship classes for new immigrants, and home delivered meals for frail older adults. UNH also worked hard to bring new resources and capacity-building assistance to our members, helping them respond to critical organizational challenges and to sustain programs. These and other efforts on behalf of our members would not have been possible without the generous support of UNH's friends and funders, its dedicated staff and board, and many others who believe, like we do, in the neighborhood-based, multi-service approach to strengthening neighborhoods.

While there are still serious challenges ahead, we are confident that the effective leadership exhibited throughout the UNH network during this time of crisis will continue. Our work to improve the lives of New Yorkers in need and the communities in which they live has never been more important.

Sincerely,

Lew Kramer, President

Nancy Wackstein, Executive Director

UNH MISSION STATEMENT

UNH promotes and strengthens the neighborhood-based, multi-service approach to improving the lives of New Yorkers in need and the communities in which they live. A membership organization rooted in the history and values of the settlement house movement, UNH supports its members through policy development, advocacy and capacity-building activities.

Responding to the Economic Downturn

- Demonstrated the critical role of settlement houses in supporting individuals, families and communities and documented the effect of the worsening economy on these communities. This work was reflected in the receipt of an extraordinary grant from The New York Community Trust which allowed UNH members to provide direct help to more than 7,000 children and youth and more than 5,500 older adults and in the allocation of more than \$6 million in special funds for settlement houses by the State legislature.
- Developed a new “capacity building fund” to help members address organizational issues related to the economic downturn and expanded a partnership with the Nonprofit Finance Fund to provide members with information to support strategic decision-making in this challenging environment.



Extending the UNH Community

- Added two new members, Arab-American Family Support Center in Brooklyn and New Settlement Apartments in the Bronx.
- Partnered with Citi and the New York Mets to launch *Citi Field Kids*, through which 1,000 young people from settlement houses attended a Mets home game, met with players and participated in the Jackie Robinson Foundation’s leadership activities.
- Added Viacom to UNH’s growing list of corporate partners with *Viacommunity Day* and other projects through which Viacom employees supported UNH and its members.
- Launched a new initiative, *Healthy Communities through Healthy Food*, in partnership with The New York Community Trust, which is using the talent and energy of older adults in three low income New York City communities to increase access to and use of fresh healthy food. This initiative is part of the Community Experience Partnership, a national demonstration project funded by The Atlantic Philanthropies.

Providing Advocacy Leadership

- Played a key role in advocacy efforts that helped preserve \$85 million in the FY

2010 New York City budget for human services that were slated for elimination, including 31 child care classrooms, nearly 11,000 Out-of-School-Time (OST) after school slots, and dozens of senior centers.

- Worked to expand the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). In 2009, the program enrolled over 52,000 teens who worked at more than 8,000 worksites – the largest number of youth served by SYEP in over a decade.
- Mobilized UNH’s membership through the second annual civic engagement conference attended by more than 150 people and organized six budget forums attended by more than 1,000 neighborhood residents, members of the media, elected officials, and community leaders, which raised the profile of settlement houses helping to forestall cuts to their programs.

Strengthening UNH Members

- Provided professional development opportunities for more than 100 member agency staff, including a new training program for senior managers at CUNY’s Baruch College; additional opportunities for facilities staff to complete courses at CUNY’s NYC College of Technology; and the second year of a partnership with the New York Academy of Medicine on health promotion for after school staff.
- Awarded 100 tuition assistance grants and presented the Emily Menlo Marks Leadership Development Award and the Award for Achievement in Civic Advocacy to staff of UNH member agencies. Recognized nine high school seniors who promoted tolerance and positive social change in their communities through the Allan Morrow Scholarship Program.



- Supported arts activity and environmental education for 1,000 children in 17 after school programs and quality enhancement for early childhood programs of seven UNH members that reached more than 2,000 children.
- Worked with UNH members to identify food access issues in their communities and initiated a new training program for congregate meal cooks to help them integrate more fresh healthy food into their menus.

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES, DECEMBER 31, 2009

(Selected Financial Data)

SUPPORT, REVENUE AND GAINS	
Foundations & Contributions	\$3,668,494
Investment Income	\$ 997,476
Membership Dues	\$ 303,025
Total Support, Revenue and Gains	\$4,968,995
EXPENSES	
Program Services:	
Member Agency Support	\$1,864,130
Policy & Public Education	\$ 769,583
DeKay Foundation	\$ 155,542
Member Services	\$ 767,703
Total Program Services	\$3,556,958
Management and General	\$ 412,287
Fundraising	\$ 509,600
Total Expenses	\$4,479,216
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 489,779

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(Selected Financial Data)

ASSETS	
Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments	\$5,519,300
Other Assets	\$ 258,816
TOTAL ASSETS	\$5,775,116

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

LIABILITIES	\$ 286,174
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted	\$4,678,072
Temporarily Restricted	\$ 710,870
Permanently Restricted	\$ 100,000
Total Net Assets	\$5,488,942
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$5,775,116

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Settlement House Youth Rally for Summer Jobs

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