



OneSource Center for Nonprofit Excellence (OneSource Center), the only resource center for nonprofits in the region, strengthens and supports leaders and their organizations, enhancing their capacity for greater impact in the community.

Providing services, products and connections that strengthen nonprofits, OneSource Center celebrates the collaborations of all partners in the pursuit of nonprofit excellence.

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# Honoring Commitment to Nonprofit Excellence



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## Celebration of Partners

Gathering in the newly opened and beautifully appointed Andrew J Brady ICON Music Center, regional arts organizations, community leaders and collaborating partners were applauded on September 2 at OneSource Center’s “A Celebration of Partners” event.

The inspiring evening highlighted the importance of community relationships that are key to the success of our region’s nonprofits, and recognized the contributions of corporations, foundations and individuals in their ongoing support of OneSource Center’s nonprofit resource center model.

Attendees experienced personalized tours from two of OneSource Center’s sustaining

sponsors – GBBN Architects and Messer Construction – both instrumental in the design and construction of the showcase musical event center. From here, guests enjoyed safe and socially distanced opportunities for networking with drinks and delectable “dinner by the bite” options carefully prepared by Funky’s Catering Events. Creative raffle baskets, mystery bags and silent auction bidding rounded out the fun as attendees sought additional ways to generously support OneSource Center’s mission. Conversation and laughter abounded as attendees relished the ability to gather.

Emcee Kathy Wade, Emmy Award winning CEO of Learning Through Art, recognized the notable achievements of award winners in three categories, and Nonprofit Community Partner Award winners were featured in the visual and musical portion of the program. The magical evening ended with an inspiring dance presentation by Revolution Dance Theatre.



*Incredible volunteers are key to the successful planning and execution of this special event. Visit the OneSource Center website’s Events tab for more festive photos.*

# Partners Applauded for Community Impact

OneSource Center annually celebrates the collaboration of corporate and nonprofit partners as well as community members who generously give of their time and resources to positively touch the lives of many in our community.

## CORPORATE PARTNER AWARD

**Deloitte** is a long-time supporter of OneSource Center and its legacy organization ReSource. The organization was honored for guiding the creation of our agency's annual corporate partner program and for providing ongoing financial resources and executive board leadership instrumental to our success. A leader in corporate social responsibility and philanthropic reach nationwide, OneSource Center is thankful for Deloitte's lasting imprint on impactful outreach in our community.

## NONPROFIT PARTNER AWARDS

Three noteworthy fine arts organizations were recognized with a 2021 Community Partner Award for their creative contributions to the cultural fabric of our region — **Cincinnati Music Accelerator**, **PAR-Projects** and **Revolution Dance Theatre**. In addition to their accomplishments being highlighted, their story of collaboration with OneSource Center was shared where all three groups received over \$60,000 in staging, lighting and performance-related equipment for a fraction of retail cost from a local donor. OneSource Center is proud to amplify the opportunities for these creative organizations to thrive.

## FOUNDER'S AWARDS

The recipients of OneSource Center's 2021 Founder's Awards have provided inspirational visionary leadership and exemplary service to countless nonprofits, and OneSource Center has also benefitted from this commitment as well. In 2017 **Mark Luegering** and **David Wallace**, board chairs of legacy organizations ESCC and ReSource, were integral to the successful merger forming OneSource Center. Their countless hours of commitment and direction laid the foundation for far-reaching impact in our community. Thank you, Mark and David, for exemplifying selfless devotion to excellence.



OneSource Center's 2021 Nonprofit Partner Award winners and presenters (left to right): Justin Flamm, OneSource Center Board Chair; Kick Lee, Cincinnati Music Accelerator Executive Director; David Choate, Revolution Dance Theatre Founding Artistic Director; Vic Mullins, Development Strategist and Jonathan Sears, Executive Director PAR-Projects; and Christie Brown, CEO OneSource Center.



OneSource Center's 2021 Founder's Award winners are David Wallace (center left) and Mark Luegering (center right.) Also pictured are Justin Flamm, OneSource Center Board Chair (far left) and OneSource Center CEO Christie Brown.



Deloitte is the recipient of OneSource Center's 2021 Corporate Partner Award. Accepting the award is Aaron Zboril (center.) Also pictured are Bill Moran, OneSource Center Board Emeritus (left) and OneSource Center CEO Christie Brown.



# OneSource Center In Action

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*Revolution Dance Theatre is a nonprofit dedicated to building cultural diversity in the world of dance. Troupe members are shown performing at OneSource Center's 2021 "Celebration of Partners" event on the stage they obtained through our connections.*

## PRODUCTS

"Revolution Dance Theatre and other fine arts organizations were recently able to purchase stage and production equipment through OneSource Center for pennies on the dollar — items we wouldn't normally have been able to afford. These items were destined for the landfill, and now our community benefits with their use. OneSource Center's Shoppers Club is a great nonprofit resource for furniture and all mission needs. We are infinitely appreciative," said David Choate, Producing Artistic Director, Revolution Dance Theatre.

## CONSULTING SERVICES

"Since our inception, iSPACE has long been an advocate for the quality of OneSource Center's consulting services, professional development, and discounted office furniture offerings. As our nonprofit has grown, we recently required further assistance defining our path — and are currently working with OneSource Center to develop a new five-year strategic plan. OneSource Center has made iSPACE a better, stronger, more highly regarded nonprofit and we greatly appreciate having this amazing resource in our backyard," said Sue Hare, Executive Director, iSPACE.



*iSPACE provides innovative STEM educational opportunities to students, teachers, families and professionals in the Greater Cincinnati region through field trips, summer camps, robotics competitions, professional development and other programs.*



*The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Cincinnati is a premier youth development agency that changes lives and builds great futures for kids offering a free, safe after-school environment with enrichment programming.*

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

"I am an avid learner, always striving to gain knowledge through professional growth opportunities. Through this education journey I have participated in numerous learning experiences. The NLIGC EXCEL program, led by OneSource Center consultants, is tops on my list for training agency executives on nonprofit best practices. I highly recommend this program for nonprofit growth as well as OneSource Center's Building Blocks workshops," said Bill Bresser, CEO of Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Cincinnati.

# Connections and Partnerships That Touch Lives

It continues to be a time of great need and your contributions continue to be the launching pad for incredible community involvement and impact. Two notable programs from 2021 are highlighted below.

## “UNPLUG AND PLAY” PROGRAM

Laughter and appreciation swept the Cincinnati region as Marine Toys for Tots, Good360 and OneSource Center partnered together to distribute over 16,000 FREE toys to thousands of needy children through the “Unplug and Play” program. Working with 14 regional nonprofit partners, foundations and sponsors, toys were distributed at six regional events and also shared through low-income day

care providers, foster care programs or at food distribution events.

## 2021 AVONDALE COMMUNITY MAKEOVER

OneSource Center partnered again with the Reds Community Fund, Children’s Hospital, the Cincinnati Zoo, Procter & Gamble, the Cincinnati Toolbank and others on this far-reaching community enhancing event. Several Avondale schools and parks benefitted. OneSource Center’s furniture and Marketplace items were utilized in the renovation/refresh of Taft Boys and Girls Club’s Teen Room, classrooms, staff offices, and in the Crest Smile Shoppe located next door.



Smiles abounded because of OneSource Center’s lead in organizing our region’s portion of the national “Unplug and Play” free toy distribution.

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# News & Notes

## DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

Racial inequality extends to all facets of life, and the nonprofit sector is no exception. OneSource Center recognizes the underrepresentation of people of color in tri-state nonprofit leadership, and supports initiatives that both address this situation and strengthen the management skills of future change-makers.

In response to this belief in diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) and the importance of DEI representation in upper management, OneSource Center recently initiated its Emerging Leader Award which provides tuition-free enrollment in the NLIGC's highly lauded year-long nonprofit leadership development program, EXCEL. The in-depth program trains leaders in all aspects of nonprofit management and governance, and sets attendees on a path to leadership growth and success.



*Rashidah Sellers, Director of Residential Services/Treatment Programs at Lighthouse Youth and Family Services, is the 2021 OneSource Center Emerging Leader Award recipient. A 15-year employee of the organization, Sellers leads a team working with youth with serious emotional and behavioral problems.*

## TANGIBLE HELP THROUGH VOUCHER PROGRAM

Low-income members of our community often face challenges when in transition and filling basic needs in establishing their homes. Recognizing this need, OneSource Center responded with the **Common Good Voucher Program** to provide immediate assistance.

The program offers free vouchers to participating agencies to share with clients. Vouchers are distributed in \$25 increments and can be used for furniture, personal care products, kitchen equipment, household linens, toys for kids and more through the OneSource Center Shoppers Club warehouse. Agency clients are able to stretch their dollars and receive more needed items through this offering.

New Foundations, the largest recovery housing program in the tri-state area, is just one organization utilizing the vouchers. Executive Director Mikella Chrisman praises the program because clients often come from treatment centers and have difficulty gathering items they need due to budget constraints.

Funding for this program has been provided thanks to grants from the Elsa Heisel Sule Foundation, Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, and the John A Schroth Family Charitable Trust at PNC Charitable Trust.

## FULFILLING NEEDS THROUGH PRODUCT AND FURNITURE DONATIONS

With sustainability a notable focus in our region, OneSource Center continues to be a great avenue for local businesses and agencies when remodeling or relocating is on the horizon. Thank you for spreading the word about our ability to pair nonprofits with product and gently used furniture offerings!

No fee pick-up! Did you know that OneSource Center picks up donations at no charge, reducing corporate costs for disposal fees and delivery? Once donations arrive at our

Shoppers Club, agencies can furnish their offices for pennies on the dollar. Win-win!

Product and furniture needs by local agencies are wide and varied. While rolling desk chairs, break room tables/

chairs, white boards and 5' or smaller wooden desks might "fly" off our warehouse floor, items like wall art, lamps, dressers and residential home furnishings (including occasional chairs, couches, dinette sets and end tables) are also of interest to residential treatment centers.

For more information on needed items, contact Beth Yantek, product placement administrator! Better yet — please visit our Dalton Avenue location to see first-hand how your company can support nonprofit need.



# In-kind Partners in Nonprofit Success

OneSource Center believes that high-performing nonprofits are vital to a thriving Greater Cincinnati community and thanks all who partner with us through donated services, products and connections.

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## Stronger Together

The incredible team of OneSource Center volunteers continues to be the “secret sauce” behind our ability to help hundreds of agencies make use of our nonprofit resource center’s products and services. Volunteer backgrounds range from seasoned executives well versed in corporate best practices and wanting to delve into more time-intensive nonprofit service, to college students working on their degrees, to individuals wanting to fill a couple hours of their week with meaningful work. Service opportunities are even more varied — ranging from warehouse sorting and merchandising to event assistance to being part of the 120+ volunteer consultant team. We are always seeking new individuals to add to our team. Have a skill you would like to share? Please contact our office or visit the Volunteer section on our website.



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## CEO CHRISTIE BROWN

# Continued Growth in the Midst of Change

2021 has given all of us a time to reflect on things that are meaningful as we look at new ways of living, interacting and doing business in an ever-changing environment. Throughout the year, OneSource Center has been pursuing new opportunities that better serve our nonprofit community. Some highlights:

- An organizational DEI focus as our team began examining its own internal procedures and programs. We recognize that actions speak louder than words, and in 2021 we instituted an Emerging Leader Award to support diversity in nonprofit leadership.
- New consulting offerings are being developed in response to changing agency needs in the areas of strategic planning, financial reviews, grant research, nonprofit checkups

and donor management.

- Leadership development programs through our NLIGC partnership continue to evolve and be strengthened to respond to the changing needs of our community’s agencies.
- Two advisory councils have been formed to give OneSource Center additional insight into nonprofit needs and concerns.
- New programs and partnerships were initiated to support families through the “Unplug and Play” free toy offering and our Common Good Voucher Program.

Yet with change, one thing remains unchanged — our commitment to strengthening

nonprofit agencies in their work.

We couldn’t provide these best-in class offerings without the support of incredible funders, sponsors, donors and volunteers. You have remained consistent in backing our mission to help nonprofits not only survive, but thrive. You are appreciated, and we look forward to working together with you in the coming year.



*Staff members thank supporters for their belief in our work.*