

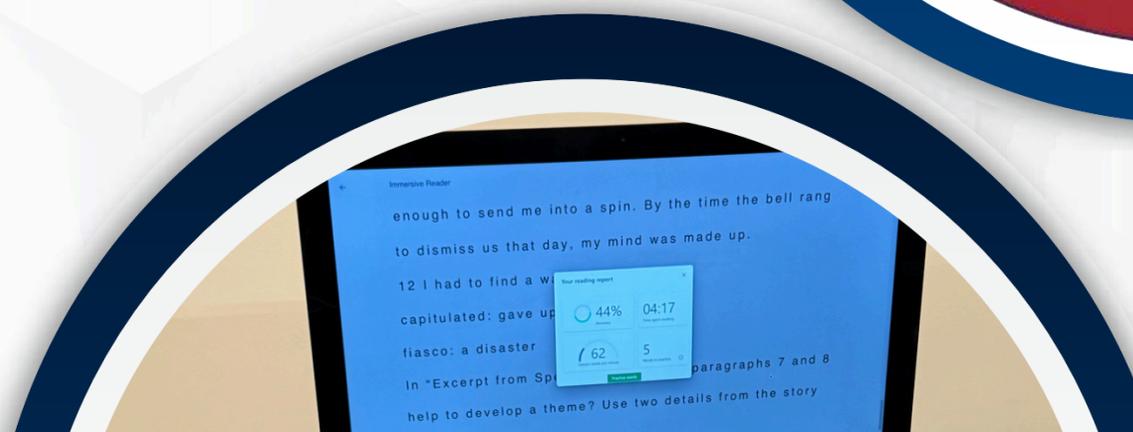
DELIVERING SOCIAL JUSTICE THROUGH
THEATER, EDUCATION, AND WELLNESS.

RENAISSANCE
CENTER OF
MASTERY

ANNUAL REPORT

2025

*Together for Change.
Together for Impact.*





OUR MISSION & VISION

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to create equitable pathways for middle school students by integrating theater arts, educational development, and wellness workshops. We aim to nurture academic, social, and emotional growth while expanding access to high-quality after school enrichment opportunities regardless of a student's socioeconomic or cultural background.

OUR VISION

At RCM, we believe in the power of community-driven programs to unlock youth potential. By fostering creativity, resilience, and essential life skills, we work toward a future where every youth has access to the resources needed to realize their full potential—regardless of economic or cultural background.





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MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

“As we reflect on a transformative 1st year at Renaissance Center of Mastery, I’m filled with gratitude. Our mission—to empower youth through theater, education, and wellness—has impacted 45 youth thanks to the unwavering support of our community, partners, and staff. Together, we are shaping futures rooted in equity, expression, and emotional strength. Thank you for beginning this journey with us.”

CORINTHIA BENISON, FOUNDER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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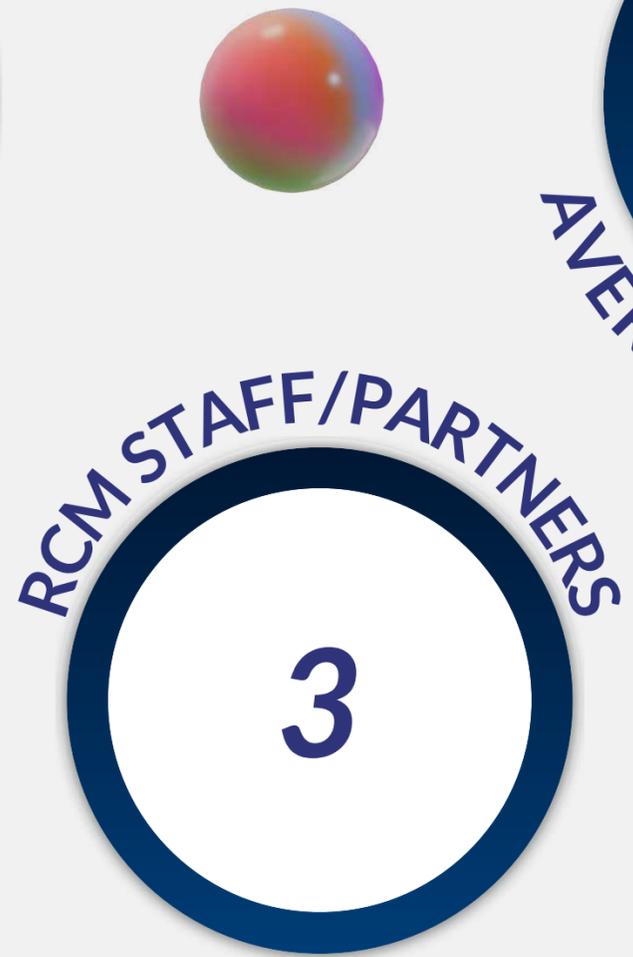
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JUNE 30, 2024-JULY 1, 2025





KEY ACHIEVEMENTS & MILESTONES

Q1



Obtained fiscal sponsorship with Community Partners and secured co-locator partnership with Scan-Harbor.

Q2



Received seed funding from The Ford Foundation and New York Presbyterian Hospital.

Q3



Launched the “Wellness Club” in Partnership with ReForum Consulting. Launched our theater and education program for the academic school year.

Q4



Secured new partnerships with The Edwin Gould Foundation and The Thomas and Agnes Carvel Foundation to sustain programs.





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\$25,000-\$49,999

The Ford Foundation

\$10,000-\$24,999

The New York Presbyterian Hospital

\$5,000-\$9,999

The Edwin Gould Foundation

\$2,500-\$4,999

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

OUR COMMITMENT: TRANSPARENCY. ACCOUNTABILITY. MAXIMUM IMPACT.

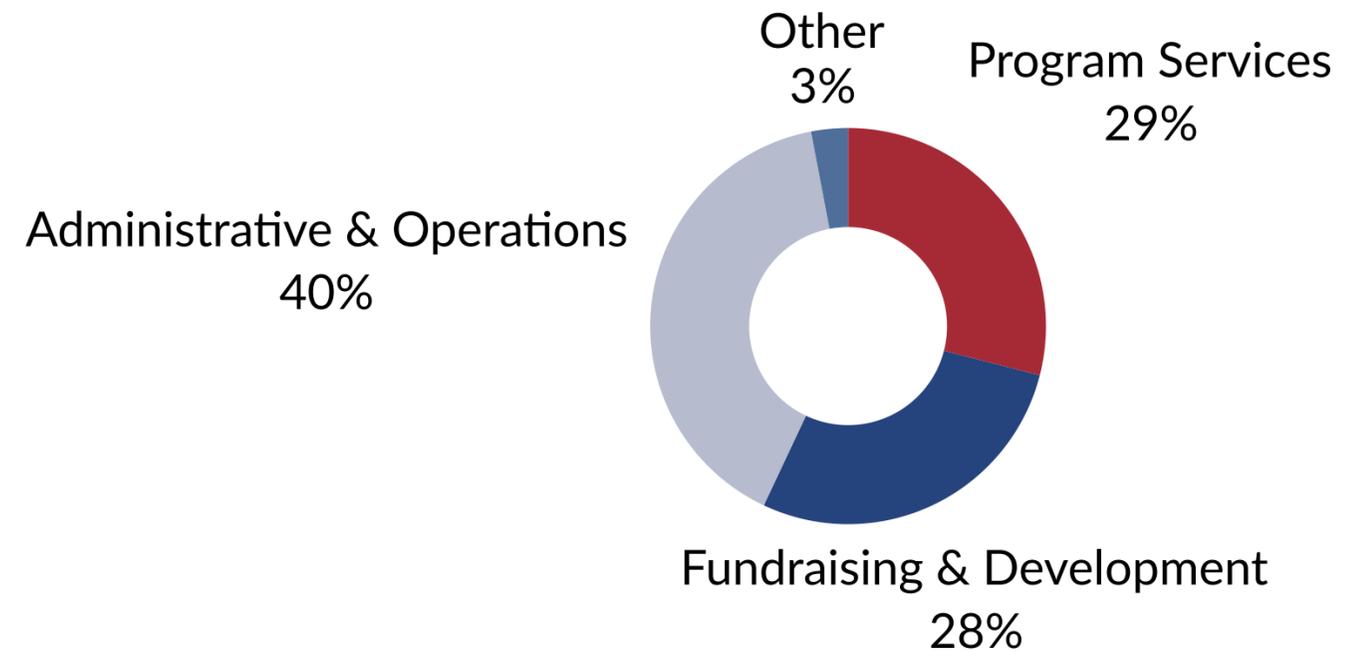
TOTAL REVENUE

 **\$65,280**

TOTAL EXPENSES

 **\$65,277**

WHERE YOUR SUPPORT WENT



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CHALLENGES & LESSONS LEARNED

We adapted, we listened, and we grew stronger. Challenges may arise, but so does our determination to serve. Our community is more than numbers - it's the heartbeat of every success story.

CHALLENGES

- The need within our community continues to rise.
- More individuals and families are seeking food, shelter, education, mental health care, and crisis support.
- We are expanding with intention ensuring compassion and access meet every point of need.
- Our response is not reactionary it's purpose-driven and people-centered.

LESSONS LEARNED

- Rising costs and unpredictable funding create challenges for sustaining programs.
- Families we serve feel these pressures most deeply.
- Yet, these trials fuel our innovation, resilience, and unity of purpose.
- We remain committed to transforming hardship into hope and instability into impact.





OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE

In the coming year, we will:

-  Add a new school site
-  Strengthen partnerships
-  Expand our mental health program
-  Continue building sustainable impact



THANK YOU & CALL TO ACTION



Together, we have impact. Together, we change lives. Thank you for believing in our mission; because when we work together, there's no limit to the hope we can spark, the lives we can uplift, and the change we can create.