



2016-17 Annual Report

Tremont West Development Corporation's mission is "We serve Tremont by organizing an inclusive community, building a unified neighborhood, and promoting a unique destination."

In 2016, Tremont West fulfilled its mission vision of being the "ideal urban village" by completing a number of projects throughout the year from **PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, & QUALITY OF LIFE**. We are proud to present our 2016 Annual Report.

PLANNING

A number of initiatives were undertaken to look at the future needs and opportunities in the neighborhood and be prepared to act to ensure the long-term vibrancy of Tremont. Additionally, Tremont West, in collaboration with Ohio City Inc., successfully received Cleveland Neighborhood Progress funding through July 2020.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Tremont West engaged Strategy Design Partners to update the Strategic Plan, creating a framework for the work of the organization through 2020.

HOUSING INCLUSION Enterprise Community Partners awarded a \$50,000 grant that allowed Tremont West, in partnership with Ohio City Inc. to hire a Housing Inclusion Specialist to look at market conditions in the neighborhood, project the need for affordable housing in the coming years, and create strategies to address the projected need. This work resulted in a report titled Housing Inclusion on the Near West Side of Cleveland. The document can be obtained at www.tremontwest.org.

TOWPATH TRAIL

INTEGRATION PLAN The neighborhood faces a once-in-a-generation public infrastructure investment in the Towpath Trail. Tremont West obtained a \$30,000 grant to study and implement ways to ensure that the Towpath Trail is integrated into the neighborhood in ways that benefit and add to the quality of life of the community. Special emphasis is being made to ensure that Tremont Pointe the only public housing that is near the trail in Cuyahoga County is given special consideration.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The core of Tremont West continues to be its 500+ members, network of 11 block clubs and dozens of Friends and Interest Groups. The community had over 200 meetings last year.

IRISHTOWN BEND Residents of this historic river neighborhood reached out to Tremont West to help empower them and advocate on their behalf. They adopted their first set of Bylaws and have officially come together as the Irishtown Bend Block Club.

FOOD DRIVE The 2016 Holiday Food Drive brought together 8 block clubs (the most we've had participate to date) to donate the equivalent of 14,965 items!

TREMONT COMMUNITY

MURAL Block clubs and participants in the Tremont Community Artist in Residence program attended art studio sessions and public sessions in several local bars/restaurants, generously hosted by artist Angelica Pozo, to help create hand-painted tiles that were featured with larger tiles of local historic significance on the Tremont Community Artists in Residence mural installation in Lincoln Park.

DUCK ISLAND MURAL with support from Neighborhood Connections and Tremont West, the Duck Island Block Club, with the guidance of artist Jill LeMieux painted a mural wall featuring a neighborhood vista scene on a portion of the Lorain Avenue Bridge support wall.

WALKABOUT TREMONT A group of volunteers successfully re-envisioned ArtWalk into an event that celebrates arts and culture in Tremont. Walkabout Tremont attracts thousands to the neighborhood on the second Friday of every month.

DEVELOPMENT

Tremont has seen another year of growing housing demand, business expansion, and renovation. As of May 1st, there are approximately 237 housing units planned, under development, or recently completed compared to approximately 183 units in the same period last year.

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT

DISTRICT Tremont West is working closely with property owners, residents, and businesses along Professor Avenue to pilot a Special Improvement District, or SID. The goals of the SID will be to provide a higher level of services and investment to one of our primary business districts.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING Tremont West is piloting a number of affordable housing strategies to ensure the long-term affordability in the neighborhood. Working with partners, we plan to create additional protected affordable units by leveraging assets such as city land bank lots.

2406 LLC Our property management portfolio currently owns and rents 10 affordable units as well as manages over 50 units on the near west side for Cleveland Housing Network.

QUALITY OF LIFE

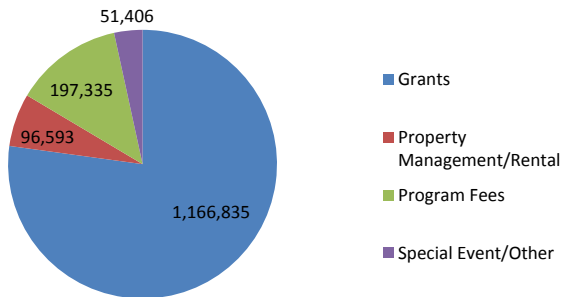
From clean-ups to tree plantings, Tremont West continues to work on the day to day issues that improve the quality of life in the neighborhood and coordinate projects.

EVENTS Tens of thousands of people attend events coordinated by Tremont West including the Tremont Farmers' Market, Taste of Tremont, Arts in August, Tremont Arts and Cultural Fest, and Walkabout Tremont.

GAZEBO Friends of Lincoln Park formed to take the lead in replacing the existing gazebo. Tremont West was able to assist these efforts by applying for and receiving a county grant for \$50,000.

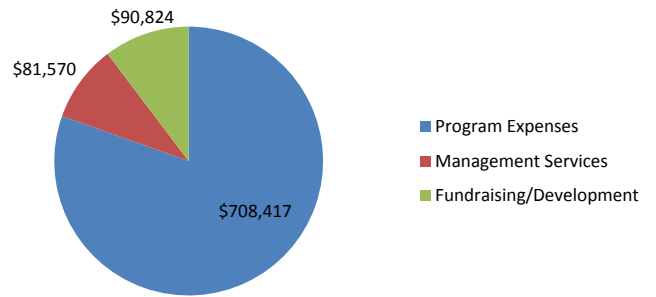
NEAR WEST RECREATION A partnership with Ohio City, MetroWest and Detroit Shoreway, Near West Recreation brings basketball, baseball, tee-ball, and more to over 1,000 kids on the west side.

TOTAL INCOME \$1,512,169*



*TOTAL INCOME includes a one-time Federal HFFI Grant

TOTAL EXPENSES \$880,811



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A Christmas Story House, Absolute Roofing, All-Star Valet, Alpha Group, Angelica Pozo, ArcelorMittal, Artistic Impressions by Lisa, aza events, Banyan Tree, Barrio, Berges LLC, Beviamo Café, Biagio Gallo, Bourbon Street Barrel Room, Brickhaus Partners, Bubblegum Books, CED Healthy Food Financing Initiative Grant, Chris Roy, Christine Uveges, Chuppa's Marketplace in Parma, Civic Builders, Civilization, CLE Clothing Co., Clear Choice Custom LASIK Center, Cleveland Bricks LLC, Cleveland Browns, Cleveland Crate Company, Cleveland Division of Water, Cleveland Orchestra, Cleveland Playhouse, Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland Public Theatre, Connie Turski Interiors, Constantino's, Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Dante, Dave's Market, DDR Corp., Dollar Bank, Dr. David Perse, Duck Island Development, Dynamic Sign, Enterprise Community Partners, Evie Lou, Fahrenheit, Fairmont Creamery, Fat Cats, First Interstate LLC, Flying Monkey Pub, Forest City Brewery, Forest City Enterprises, Gentleman's Barbershop, Giancarlo Calicchia, Glenn Murray, Great Lakes Science Center, Great Lakes Theater at Cleveland Playhouse, Grumpy's Café, Gustave Development, Horton Harper Architects, Hotcards, House of Blues, Howard Hanna, Integrity Realty, Jaime and Jeannine Declat, Janus Small & Associates, Jeff Chiplis, Jill LeMieux, John and Karen Moss, Ken and Lynn Friedel, Krasa Salon, La Bodega, LAMAR, LAND Studio, Lava Lounge, Lolly the Trolley, Loop, Lucky's Café, McCormack Baron, MCM Company, Medical Mutual of Ohio, Meritech, MetroHealth, MetroParks, Meyers, Roman, Friedberg & Lewis, Midland Concrete & Sand Products, Nautica Queen Cruises, NaylorWellman, LLC, Neighborhood Connections, Neighborhood Family Practice, Nestle Professional - LJ Minor Factory, Northwest Bank, Ohio Arts Council, Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing, Ohio Savings Bank, OSU Extension, Pandora, Parallax, Pat Catan's, Paul Duda, Post 1, Post 58, Professor Market, Progressive Urban Real Estate, Prosperity Social Club, Renewal by Andersen, Restore, Rivergate Tavern, Robert Hartshorn, Sally Matia and Pete Kuchera, Sherwin Williams, Sokowloski's University Inn, State Alarm, Stein, Inc., Strategy Design Partners, Starting Point, Susie's Scentuals Handmade Soap & More, Sustainable Construction Services, Symon Restaurants, Tandul, The Clark Bar, The Cleveland Foundation, The Mutt Hutt, The Rowley Inn, The Social, The South Side, The Treehouse, Third Federal Savings & Loan, Tidal Cool, Tom and Anita Cook, Toward the City Church, Tremont Animal Clinic, Tremont Athletic Club, Tremont General Store, Tremont Pointe, Tremont Scoops, Tremont Tap House, Tremont Trek, Ty Fun Thai Bistro, Wagner Awning, Welty Construction, Western Reserve Historical Society, Westtown Tire, WXZ Development

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