MISSION STATEMENT

The Night Ministry was created out of diverse religious traditions to build relationships with vulnerable youth and adults on the nighttime streets. Today, we build relationships in a variety of settings. Through these relationships and the provision of housing, health, spiritual, and social services, we seek to empower people of all ages to meet their own needs. Recognizing the uniqueness, dignity, and value of each person, we accept individuals as they are, in an affirming and compassionate manner. We call the larger community to the same mission.

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Over the past few years, The Night Ministry has been building a foundation to expand and enhance our services with the dream of serving people more comprehensively.

In fiscal year 2005, we began production on our new Health Outreach Bus. Our previous bus had been in operation since 1993, and we needed to replace it with a more spacious vehicle that would accommodate the higher level of health care we now provide. At five feet longer and two feet taller, the new bus has three larger distinct spaces: a private counseling and HIV testing room, a hospitality area, and a medical room with a full-length medical exam table. This new vehicle will allow us to serve people more thoroughly on the streets of our community six nights a week, 52 weeks a year.

We expect the new youth residence to open in the spring of 2006. Our current 120-day, 16-bed interim program will be housed at this location. In the coming year, we will realize the dream of adding an 8-bed transitional living program to increase options for next-stage housing. This program will assist residents over a longer period so they can address issues that may be obstacles to their self-sufficiency.

Turning this dream into reality has not been easy. The Night Ministry has been fortunate to have the commitment of dedicated individuals, corporations, foundations, government agencies, and congregations who share our dream, and the work of making the dream a reality. Together we have made amazing strides in achieving our goals of better serving thousands of homeless youth and marginalized adults.

As we move into the final phases of Opening Doors at the Crossroads: The Campaign for The Night Ministry, we thank you for helping turn dreams into realities for the youth and adults we serve.
2005 Fiscal Year Program Highlights

Outreach & Health Ministry
Our Outreach and Health Ministry served 10 sites in seven Chicago neighborhoods with our Health Outreach Bus staff and Street Outreach Professionals. We made 75,257 outreach contacts from our Health Outreach Bus to approximately 5,800 people.

Six nights a week, Outreach staff engage bus visitors in conversation, listening to their needs and concerns. By offering concrete resources and referrals, along with caring relationships, Outreach Professionals work to support the youth and adults we serve to make healthier life choices.

Our nurses provided 1,218 health assessments on the bus and 417 physicals to residents of Open Door Youth Shelter and two other shelters. We provided counseling and the OraQuick® Rapid HIV test to 1,276 people. Everyone who tested positive was linked to treatment once the results were confirmed. This fiscal year, our Community Health Program Coordinator began offering Hepatitis A and B vaccinations. Additionally, our health care staff began engaging clients in ongoing programs to improve their hypertension and chronic respiratory illnesses. Nurses gave referrals for primary care, case management, and dental care.

Youth Services
The Night Ministry provides a range of services for youth. Our Youth Outreach Professionals hosted weekly nighttime street outreach events for homeless and at-risk youth, providing referrals, HIV/STD education and prevention, hygiene supplies, and most importantly, trusting relationships.

Hundreds of youth received caring, supportive services at Broadway Youth Center, a program offering comprehensive services to all youth, 24 and under, where The Night Ministry is one of four non-profit partners. Staff at our interim residence and supportive services program, Open Door Youth Shelter, cared for 144 youth ages 14 to 21, and 28 of their children.

Residents received medical services

The Night Ministry provides a positive presence and services to thousands of marginalized individuals each year.

Our Youth Outreach staff support kids by providing a wide range of age appropriate services.

Nurses with our Outreach & Health program provide a wide range of health services from our Health Outreach Bus and at our Open Door Youth Shelter.
and created individualized plans for finding stable housing, furthering education or job training, and building self-esteem. Once youth leave Open Door, our Continuing Care Coordinator offers support, referrals, and assistance with food, transportation, and other life necessities, so they can continue developing self-sufficiency.

**Youth Shelter Network**
As the lead agency in a collaboration of social service and youth shelter agencies, The Night Ministry operates the Youth Empowerment Services (YES) program. Staff provided 101 precariously-housed pregnant and parenting teens and young fathers with critical services and support in the areas of housing, education, employment, parenting skills and self-esteem. YES made 3,115 contacts through 309 groups on topics such as job readiness, parenting skills, responsible choice-making, and conflict resolution.

Our Youth Shelter Network also co-sponsored a number of workshops, conferences, and training sessions for individuals working with youth. One event we are especially proud of is our Empowering Pregnant and Parenting Youth: Resources for Responding to Their Needs, attended by 69 youth and 169 service providers. Our Youth Shelter Network was also focused this year on the development of 1110 N. Noble as our new youth residence.

The Night Ministry is committed to assisting homeless teens – whether they are youth who have left or been kicked out of their home, couch-surfing with friends or family, on the streets, or at a shelter. We believe if youth successfully learn life skills while they are still young, they will have a better chance of avoiding homelessness as an adult.

**Volunteers**
Volunteers, whether as part of a group or as an individual, make crucial contributions to The Night Ministry’s work each and every day. In fiscal year 2005, over 2,000 volunteers donated 14,418 hours valued at $253,053.
The Campaign for The Night Ministry is a multi-year effort to raise the funds necessary to expand and deepen our youth housing and our outreach and health services.

Opening Doors at the Crossroads: The Campaign for The Night Ministry

From our beginning, we have listened and responded to the needs of people that we encounter. For several years, our staff has seen increased and more complex needs from the youth and adults we serve. Consequently, The Night Ministry has launched this multi-year campaign to raise the funds necessary to expand and deepen the unique services we offer to youth and adults, so that we can continue effectively meeting the needs of those we serve.

Our campaign goals include: Increasing Our Capacity to Serve Homeless Youth and Enhancing the Services of the Outreach and Health Ministry Program.

Over the years, we have increased the type and number of services we offer from the Health Outreach Bus. Our old bus had been in operation since 1993, and we needed to replace it with a more spacious vehicle that would accommodate the higher level of health care we now provide. Our new customized Health Outreach Bus will enable us to enhance the one-on-one care we give to people who visit us each night.

The larger space of the new bus will allow us to deepen our ability to provide health services, including Rapid HIV Testing, Disease Self-Management, and more effective referral connections for individuals in their own communities. We have...
already met the goal of obtaining our new Health Outreach Bus, as a result of generous support by three foundations. The challenge now is to sustain the programming into the future.

Expand our capacity to reach marginalized youth and adults on Chicago's streets. By continually evaluating our programs, we will be able to change the way we deliver services so that our programs are as effective as we can possibly make them. We will continue connecting with hundreds of adults and youth who need trustworthy, reliable, caring professionals to listen and refer them to a wide range of resources, including housing, healthcare, and social services.

Homeless youth, ages 14-21, who are not wards of the state, have few age-appropriate places to stay. Once youth have completed an interim shelter program like Open Door, they have limited options for next-stage housing. Because we recognize the lack of resources, The Night Ministry wants to increase options by launching a new 8-bed transitional living program. Developmentally, youth often need transitional housing services to give them more time and resources to stabilize their lives.

The aim of this new program will be to assist residents over a longer period to address issues that may be obstacles to self-sufficiency. To that end, we are in the process of rehabbing a building at 1110 N. Noble Street in Chicago's West Town neighborhood. We expect to open the building in April of 2006, and will continue to raise funds for sustainability of the program. Our current 120-day, 16-bed interim program will also be housed at this location.
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005

Salaries ........................................... $2,193,312
Employee Benefits .................................. 306,859
Payroll Taxes ...................................... 183,793

Total Salaries and Related Expenses .............. 2,683,964

Grants to Other Organizations .................... 128,334
Specific Assistance ................................... 19,117
Consulting Fees ..................................... 89,608
Office Supplies ...................................... 19,100
Kitchen Supplies ..................................... 64,416
Program and Medical Supplies and Expense ..... 35,448
Telephone ........................................... 27,845
Postage and Shipping ................................ 41,204
Occupancy ........................................... 144,388
Repairs and Maintenance ............................ 92,779
Equipment Leasing ................................... 16,488
Printing ............................................... 66,679
Travel .................................................. 19,087
Depreciation and Amortization ..................... 163,047
Insurance ............................................ 76,930
Staff/Volunteer Street Expenses .................. 31,645
Vehicle Expenses ..................................... 13,497
Personnel Recruitment ................................ 2,208
Public Relations ...................................... 5,728
Education and Books .................................. 33,520
Dues and Subscriptions .............................. 8,257
Professional Fees ..................................... 79,446
Interest ............................................... 458
Miscellaneous Expense .............................. 13,864
Uncollectible Grants ................................ 17,608
Bank Charges ........................................ 10,526
Total Functional Expenses ....................... $3,905,191

SOURCES OF INCOME
Revenue and Expenses Percent as of 6/30/2005

- Foundations, Trusts & Corporations: 26.8%
- Government Grants: 19%
- Congregations, Denominations, & Special Events: 2.4%
- Capital Campaign: 41.2%
- Individuals: 5.3%
- Planned Giving & Bequests: 4.3%
- Other: 1%

DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

- Open Door Youth Shelter: 31.9%
- Outreach & Health Ministry: 33.8%
- Management & General: 12.3%
- Youth Shelter Network: 14%
- Fundraising: 8%
Youth Workers at Open Door Shelter are responsible for the daily activities of the shelter and ensuring youth meet their day-to-day goals.

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Since our beginning, your gifts have made the work of The Night Ministry possible. The Night Ministry invites you to help us build a future of more available resources for the people we serve by making a donation today. Contributions of any amount are appreciated. Listed below are some ways to contribute to our Annual Fund, our Campaign, or through Volunteering.

Annual Fund Donations

All donations are tax deductible in accordance with tax law.

Cash/Check – The most frequent method used to make a gift is a personal check. Checks should be made payable to The Night Ministry. Gifts of cash/check can be given in one payment, or pledged in convenient installments. For more information, please contact our Coordinator for Individual and Community Giving at 773-784-9000, x6025.

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“Beacons of Hope” Pledge Program – Our program designed to simplify the giving process. Convenient monthly donations charged to a credit card allow you to tailor your giving to best suit your needs. For more information, please contact our Coordinator for Individual and Community Giving at 773-784-9000, x6025.

Honor – A meaningful, living gift to a friend, relative, or colleague through a donation honoring anniversaries, birthdays, graduations, weddings, holidays, or any special occasion. Include your designation with your gift.

Memorial – A personal remembrance that honors the life of a friend, relative, or colleague with a gift of love and hope. Include your designation with your gift.

Employee Matching Gift – Many employers have matching gift programs. When you give to The Night Ministry, be sure to check if your employer has one. With very little effort, your gift could be matched – doubled, or even tripled – making an even greater impact.

Budget Line Item – Consider making The Night Ministry a line item in your organization’s annual budget. For details, contact the Vice President of Development and External Relations at 773-784-9000 ext. 6005.

Supporters review floor plans for the new youth residence.

We began selling engraved pavers for the courtyard of our new building.
In-Kind Donations – Donate items such as hygiene items, deodorant, new socks, baby supplies, gift certificates, and more. For details, please contact our Coordinator for Individual and Community Giving at 773-784-9000, x6025.

Planned Giving – A planned gift is a way to continue your lifetime interest in your philanthropic causes by giving through your will, living trust or other part of your estate plan. A planned gift can take several forms:

A will, the most common type of planned gift.

Life Insurance – Name a charity as the beneficiary of your policy. Tax savings are excellent.

Financial Accounts – Most financial accounts can be made payable on death to a friend, relative or charitable organization.

U.S. Savings Bonds – Savings bonds can be designated to a charity through your will and save you income and estate taxes.

Retirement Savings – Your estate can save both income and estate taxes if you make a charity the beneficiary of part or all of your IRA, pension, 401(k) plan or other retirement account.

Revocable Living Trusts – Simply name a charity as one of the beneficiaries of your trust.

If you have any questions or would like more information on ways to give, please contact Christy Prassas, Development Coordinator, at 773-784-9000 ext. 6023. Visit www.thenightministry.org to make a donation on-line.

Young bus visitor enjoy a warm beverage on a cold night and, more importantly, the safe, positive presence that The Night Ministry provides.

Opening Doors at the Crossroads

Gifts to the Campaign for The Night Ministry will benefit the expansion of services and resources for the homeless youth and marginalized adults our programs serve.

Gifts Paver Donation
Participate with an engraved paver for the courtyard of our new youth residence. These make great gifts or memorials.

Donor Wall Stars
Participate with a star for our Campaign Donor Wall at our new youth residence. Small, medium, and large stars will be engraved with names of donors who contribute from $1,000 to $200,000 and above, based on the size of the contribution.

Naming A Room
Major gifts will be recognized by naming a room at our new youth residence.

For details about engraved pavers, donor wall stars, or naming a room, please contact the Vice President of External Relations at 773-784-9000 x6005 or email campaign@thenightministry.org.

Volunteer

The Night Ministry has a wide range of opportunities for groups or individual volunteers of all ages – short term or long term, on-site and off-site projects, direct service or support projects. Groups can be members of a club, corporations, civic group, congregation, or family.

If you are an individual interested in donating a gift of time, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator at 773-784-9000 x6015. If you belong to a group that is interested in a direct service or support project, please contact our Coordinator for Community and Congregational Relations at 773-784-9000 x6004.