

*Leaders in coordinating a system of care to advance mental health and wellness of individuals, families, and communities.* 

#### **Executive Report by Scott Strong**

2016 continued to present both opportunity and challenge to Community Partnerships. We continued to grow our **Comprehensive Community Services** (CCS) work by providing more Service Facilitation services to both youth and young adults. Community Partnerships announced its plan to merge with Center for Families with much of the early groundwork being laid in 2016 and the eventual merger to be complete in April 2017. And, the Oscar Rennebohm Foundation announced its investment in developing a Northside Early Childhood Zone in partnership with Dane County, the City of Madison, United Way and both the non-profit and business communities. The development of this zone will bring early childhood services to the north side of Madison in a more comprehensive and coordinated manner, and with it expansion of the Early Childhood Initiative and Welcome Baby (a home visiting program currently provided by Center for Families).

Building off the work started in 2015, Community Partnerships continued its journey toward becoming a more equitable organization. A year into the work has brought a new agency Diversity Statement, changes to our employment application and multiple staff development opportunities. Through this work we are focused on becoming more equitable both internally and externally.

Despite some of the accomplishments, challenges still face Community Partnerships and our community. 2016 brought additional inequitable treatment and violence toward African Americans, anti-immigration legislation, and gun violence nationwide affecting many populations including the LGBT community; just to name a few of the challenges. Incidences such as these are occurring on a daily basis in our community and around the country. Community Partnerships is aware that as we explore becoming a more diverse and equitable organization, we need to explore our partnerships in the community and be aware of the additional supports that the children, individuals, families and staff may need.

Community Partnerships is committed to work toward becoming a more equitable organization and community partner. In doing so, we recognize that we will need to take an active role in exploring our practices, provide staff

development and understand how implicit bias impacts our work. Community Partnerships has a role in helping to shape a more equitable community.

Scott Strong Executive Director

# ABOUT US

Community Partnerships, Inc. is a nonprofit organization serving individuals with mental health concerns. We believe in using a "wraparound" approach when working with consumers and their families which includes:

- Promoting individual & family strengths.
- Valuing consumer voice, culture, and beliefs.
- Providing individualized care.
- Team-based collaborations.
- A commitment to long term, sustainable, accessible supports and services.
- Setting measurable goals and celebrating success.

Community Partnerships recognizes our staff and board members who contributed to successful program outcomes and new program development in 2015:

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#### Central Intake

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## **OUR SERVICES**

### Children Come First Case Management

Supporting Dane County youth ages 0-19 with diagnosed mental health concerns by providing comprehensive care management, family advocacy and wraparound services. CCF Coordinates traditional and nontraditional services to support children in their homes, schools, and communities.

Community Partnerships served a total of 96 youth in 2016. 75% of the youth who were discharged from CCF Case Management in 2016 did so due to substantial progress.

### Children Come First Hospital Diversion

A short-term (30-90 days) program supporting Dane County youth ages 0-19 at imminent risk of psychiatric hospitalization. HDP provides parent/child support and behavior management, crisis stabilization, medication management, and wraparound service coordination.

The overarching goal of the Hospital Diversion Program is to stabilize youth at imminent institutional risk to prevent a hospitalization from occurring.

HDP had a 79% success rate in 2016, diverting hospitalizations for 33 of the 42 youth served.

### Comprehensive Community Services

Providing a flexible array of individualized community-based psychosocial rehabilitation services for children and young adults aged 18-30 to promote client recovery and resilience.

Community Partnerships served 25 youth and 23 adults in the Comprehensive Community Services program in 2016, providing approximately 3,300 hours of Assessment, Service Facilitation, Skill Development, Medication Management, and Wellness & Recovery Support Services.

### Early Childhood Initiative

ECI is an innovative home visitation and employment program designed to improve life outcomes of Dane County's most vulnerable families with a special emphasis on economic self-sufficiency, positive infant and child development, and maternal and infant mental health.

In 2016, ECI served 115 households or families with 241 children. Family Support Specialists spent over 5,600 hours of direct contact, case management, and consultation to those families enrolled in 2016.

### Court-Ordered Evaluations

Community Partnerships provides an integrated process of brokering courtordered evaluations for individuals in Dane County under the following Wisconsin State Statutes: Juvenile Justice Code 938.295, Children's Code 48.295, Emergency Detention 51.15, Involuntary Commitment for Treatment 51.20, and Guardianship 54/55. The program manages a diverse provider network of over 40 qualified mental health professionals including Master's level clinicians, Licensed Psychologists, and Licensed Psychiatrists.

In 2016 the COE program brokered 1,102 evaluations. Our Internal Evaluator performed 55 evaluations for the COE program. Using our internal Evaluator, videoconferencing for clinical interviews, and capturing Chapter 51 Stipulations and Waivers prior to evaluator assignment helped the program be efficient and manage resources.

### Provider Network

Community Partnerships oversees the credentialing of Providers in Dane County to provide an array of psycho-social services to youth and adults in the CCS Provider Network.

There were 63 Contracted Agencies and a total of 424 enrolled Providers in the CCS Provider Network.

10 additional staff members at CP were credentialed to provide CCS services.

### Transition to Independence

Providing individualized and comprehensive case management, assisting young adults aged 18-30 to transition from children's to adult services and work toward meaningful life goals and independence. Consumers work in partnership with a transition specialist to establish and make measured progress toward recovery goals around education, employment, housing, and applicable mental health services.

In 2016 TIP spent approximately 3000 hours offering case management and crisis stabilization services to the 50 consumers enrolled.

### Family Advocacy & Support

Community Partnerships provides family advocacy services and support for participants and their families involved in Children Come First, Transition to Independence, Comprehensive Community Services, and Early Childhood Initiative Programs.

In 2016, the Family Advocate worked with 43 families, providing 425 hours of support in accessing resources and crisis intervention to prevent out of home placement. An additional 169 hours were provided in educational advocacy in working with schools and families to create and implement Individual Education Plans for youth.

# 2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

### Agency Growth & Development

- Community Partnerships hosted a Family Fun Night for over 100 program participants and families served in ECI, CCF and TIP at Play n' Wisconsin.
- The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Circle of Hope event was a resounding success this year, raising over \$25,000 with an attendance of 300 supporters.
- Launched a new agency website
- Established Philanthropic Partnership with Greater Madison Area Society for Human Resource Management (GMA SHRM).
- Became a member of the Madison Chapter of Young Nonprofits Professional network (YNPN)
- Participated in another successful Children's Mental Health Awareness Day event.
- Leadership Team and Board of Directors discussed strategic partnerships with UnityPoint Health-Meriter and other local agencies as a Governance presentation.
- Staff participated in the NAMI Walk to raise awareness and funds for the National Alliance on Mental Health.
- Change Team initiatives implemented, including a new Diversity Statement and changes to hiring and recruitment to promote equity.

### Program Growth & Development

- Hired first Human Resources Manager for the agency.
- Direct Care staff in the ECI, CCS, TIP, and CCF programs participated in a 3-day training on Motivational Interviewing, which is an evidence-based approach to guiding people through the change process.
- Central Intake was launched to screen referrals for the CCF, TIP, and CCS programs.
- ECI assessments have been enhanced to include elements of Motivational Interviewing and Trauma-Informed Care.
- 3 staff members completed the first phase of the Trauma-Informed Child-Parent Psychotherapy learning collaborative training.
- Implemented a new referral process for Family & Consumer Advocacy

### In The News

- Community Partnerships' Early Child Initiative program was featured in a Capital Times article about the importance of supporting families during a child's early development.
- Scott Strong and Paula Buege were interviewed on WORT about Circle of Hope Fundraising event.
- Press conference announcing funding from the Rennebohm Foundation for ECI expansion and the Northside Early Childhood Zone.

### Staff Growth & Development

Continuing education and professional growth at Community Partnerships is a priority. Our staff participated in the following trainings/topics in 2016.

- YWCA training on Creating Equitable Organizations and Implicit Bias
- Motivational Interviewing
- Verbal De-escalation & Risk Assessments
- Non-Suicidal Self-Injury and Vicarious Trauma
- Confidentiality and HIPAA
- Domestic Violence
- Assisting Program Participants in Obtaining Employment
- Dane County Trauma Informed Care Community Summit
- Reflective Supervision
- Supporting Transgender & Gender Expansive Youth Conference
- The Ripple Effect: An Integrative Framework for Addressing the Epidemic of Trauma for Vulnerable Young Children and Their Parents
- Cross Systems Collaboration with Madison Metropolitan School District, Dane County Juvenile Justice, and Mental Health systems of care
- TIP STARS Training

### Training Our Community Partners

Our staff have a wealth of knowledge and regularly provide trainings for our community partners, as well as outreach into the community about the work we do.

- Mental Health in the Workplace for GMA SHRM
- Trauma Informed Care and Trauma-Specific Treatment
- Presented at the UW Pediatric Grand Rounds on CP programs and the children's mental health system in Dane County

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Assets	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 1,437,650
Accounts Receivable	\$231,657
Prepaid Expenses	\$85,004
Total Current Assets	\$ 1,754,311
EQUIPMENT, NET	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,754,311
Liabilities & Net Assets	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$699,625
Accrued Payroll & Related Expense	\$179,576
Deferred Revenue	
Total Current Liabilities	\$1,035,596
NET ASSETS	\$718,715
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$1,754,311

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