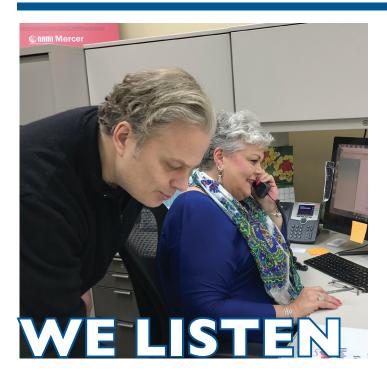
A Year in Pictures











Empowering families and individuals to build better lives, free of stigma and discrimination.





We Love Our Volunteers

Many volunteers share their time and talent to make NAMI Mercer a healthy, vibrant organization. Often, this is a path to renewing their confidence and sense of purpose.



"I can't say enough good things about what NAMI Mercer has done for our family." — Ann

We are proud to be part of an organization whose Board is fully committed to our mission and generous in contributing their talents, resources, and influence to guide NAMI Mercer to a bright, sustainable future.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

This past year has been one marked by growth and change for NAMI Mercer with the pivotal event being our relocation to a beautiful new home in Hamilton, NJ. Fortunately, the move did more for us than just open the door to new space; it has also sparked fresh energy, raised our profile within the community, and helped us to forge new relationships.



In 2017, we connected and collaborated with more than a dozen like-minded organizations to strengthen our efforts and increase our impact. Even as we worked to reinforce the programs and services that are representative of the NAMI brand, we started exploring additional new opportunities to meet current needs. We boosted fundraising and enhanced our online presence.

The pictures you see in this Annual Report highlight the key events from 2017. These are just some of the people with whom and for whom NAMI Mercer makes a difference. To all of you—our members, supporters, donors, and friends—you are the champions! It is your generosity, your compassion, your commitment that propel us forward.

With heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you!

Janet Haag



Passage to Hope

Nami Mercer's documentary tells the story of the family experience of mental illness, it's poignant depiction of this journey earned it "Best of Show" at The Nassau Film Festival.











Healing the Divide: Eliminating the Stigma of Mental Illness

Mental health leaders, clergy, and artists joined forces to call on everyone in our communities to eliminate stigma, replacing it with understanding and support.

2017 SPONSORS AND DONORS

Our Donors increase our capacity for impact and accomplishment! Thanks to their incredible generosity, we bring care, knowledge, and support to our families, friends, neighbor, colleagues and community members eager to increase their understanding of mental illness and achieve better mental health.

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NAMIWalks Mercer County 2017

Almost a thousand people stepped out to raise awareness for our cause and funds to support our work. We believe that together we can achieve a brighter tomorrow.









Membership Picnic

Belonging to NAMI Mercer is about making our community



stronger and more viable though interaction and collaboration. Our collective impact on society is then significantly greater.



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OUR IMPACT 2017

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NEW INITIATIVES

Launched a **Social Anxiety Workshop**, offered in partnership



Average participants per session: 9 Range 3-10

Launched a Hearing Voices Support
Group, in partnership with The
Hearing Voices Network, providing a
safe, confidential forum for those with
unusual sensory experiences
to talk freely about their
experiences in order
to better understand,
learn and grow from
them.
Average participants

NAMI SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

Offered 2 Family to Family classes, empowering families to better understand mental illness, access effective treatment, develop coping strategies, and better advocate for loved ones.

Average participants per session: 18 Range: 12 -21

Started: 21 Finished: 18 Retention Rate: 80%

Connection Recovery Support Group met twice a month, enabling participants to engage in productive discussion, develop additional coping skills, and benefit from belonging to a supportive community.

Average participants per session: 5 Range: 3 -8

120

Offered 18 In Our Own Voice (IOOV) presentations to more than 379 participants, highlighting personal journeys from mental illness to recovery, evoking greater understanding and support, inspiring hope.

Brought 2 Parents and Teachers as Allies presentations to more than 40 school personnel and parents, equipping them with the necessary tools to create a learning environment that helps students with mental health conditions achieve their full potential.

NAMI MERCER INITIATIVES & PARTNERSHIPS

432 Helpline inquiries were fielded by 18 volunteers who provided reassurance, resources, and referrals

First Time Contacts: 174 (40%)

56% called about a family member 34% called for themselves 10% other

432

694

Our Just Friends Social Group held 85 social events with a view to reducing isolation, helping participants form friendships and have fun. Total participation: 694

Offered 2 WRAP (Wellness Recovery Action Plan) workshops, guiding participants to design a personalized prevention and wellness tool.

Average participation per session: 7 Range: 4 – 9 Started: 9 Finished: 8 Retention Rate: 90

Provided inspiration and practical skill development to 188 participants at NAMI Mercer's annual HARVEST OF HOPE WELLNESS CONFERENCE.

167 Full Day Conference attendees Keynote Only: 21

Martha Ellen Rowe

Offered 3 **Spotlight Speaker** presentations, reaching more than 66 youth, engaging them in meaningful conversation about mental health, reducing stigma and encouraging treatment and support.

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per session: 4 Range: 3-7

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Held Annual Membership Meeting and Board Elections with 108 members in attendance.

(held 2 additional membership meetings in April and Sept.)

Expanded

teachers/facilitators/

3 Family to Family

3 IOOV presenters

teachers

4 Connection

facilitators

presenters by training:

our base of volunteer

Participated in 24 community outreach events, reaching more than 2,105 people to promote NAMI Mercer's programs and services, raise awareness, and build a more supportive, inclusive community.

Forged 12 community partnerships

Alliance, Shiloh Baptist Church, Council for

Relationships, Westminster Presbyterian

Church, Thomas Edison State University),

expanding our reach within the community.

(Princeton House, High Focus

Centers, Passage Theater,

Pro Musicis, RWI Wellness & Fitness Center, Hamilton Library, Behavioral Health Matters, Urban Mental Health

Hosted 48 IFSS Family Support Groups, serving 170 families.

Hosted/Participated

in 9 special events with total participation of more than 780 attendees

We Love Our Volunteers Celebration 45

lanssen Presentation 85

Nassau Film Festival: NAMI Mercer's film "Passage to Hope" received Best In Show 48

Healing the Divide: Eliminating the Stigma of

Mental Illness 100

Annual Membership Picnic 50

NAMI Mercer Benefit Concert 77

Concert at TPH 108

Night Out With NAMI 187

Open House 80

Mentored 10 student interns from 8 different institutions of higher education (Rutgers, Mercyhurst, TCNJ, PTS, U Penn, U Del, NYU Silva School of SW, and Hofstra)

Held 7 Volunteer

introducing 32 new volunteers to NAMI Mercer. Volunteers provided over 8,000 hours of volunteer service in 2017

"For us, the AHA moment happened when we began to look at mental illness from the perspective of the person living with it." - Richard

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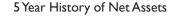
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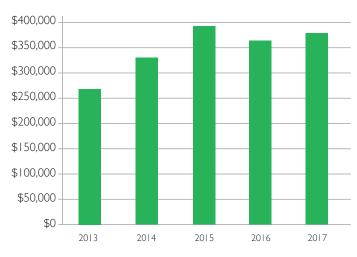
TREASURER'S REPORT

NAMI Mercer had a very exciting 2017 year including the office move from Lawrenceville to our new home in Hamilton, NJ, and being able to showcase it at our Open House held in December 2017. Throughout the 2017 year, NAMI Mercer worked hard to keep expense at a minimum especially during the moving process. The hard work paid off and NAMI Mercer operated at a profit of \$9,866 for the fiscal year 2017. Net Assets increased to \$380,046 including \$134,861 in Fund for the Future.

Going forward, we know NAMI Mercer will continue to face the challenges of less Corporation and Foundation giving. However, the Development Committee and Board Members are constantly seeking to improve fundraising efforts. In fact, the 2018 NAMIWalks is on target to raise more than \$158,000, the highest in its history!

Jerilyn Angotti, Treasurer





"NAMI Mercer has been my safe place to rediscover who I am and all the things I can still do while living with mental illness. Forever grateful."—|erome

Volunteers

These dedicated volunteers generously gave of their time and talent to teach our classes, lead our support groups, respond to Helpline inquiries, table outreach events, serve on our Board and Committees, engage in advocacy, and lend administrative support.

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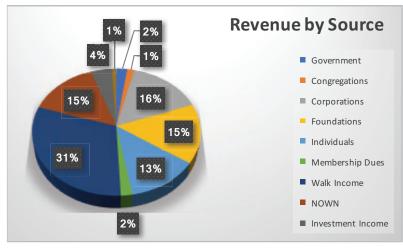
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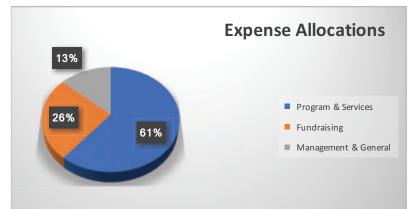
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2017 FINANCIAL REPORT

2017 Audited Financial Revenue	\$449,521	
Government	10,394	2%
Congregations	6,690	1%
Corporations	69,875	16%
Foundations	67,774	15%
Individuals	57,366	13%
Member Dues	9,128	2%
Walk Income	138,254	31%
NOWN	65,858	15%
Investment Income	19,745	4%
Other	4,437	1%
Total Revenue	\$449,521	100%
Programs & Services	268,235	61%
Fundraising Management &	112,306	26%
General Expenses	59,114	13%
Total Expenses:	\$439,655	100%
Total Net Income	\$9,866	





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"I am so grateful for the experience I have had at NAMI Mercer. It was incredibly fulfilling to help reassure those parents that it is all going to be OK."—Emily

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Harvest of Hope

Conference attendees were inspired by Chamique Holdsclaw's message of healing and hope. Through interactive workshops, they were encouraged to pursue wellness in a variety of ways.

NEW Initiative, Summer 2018

Creative arts can have a central role in the journey toward health and integration. With this in mind, NAMI Mercer is offering an Expressive Arts Summer Program. Projects involving art, drama, writing, and music invite a different approach to questions of expression, confidence, and authenticity. This program is a wonderful opportunity for participants to paint sing, move, write, play—all with a view to nurturing good mental health.

Looking Ahead in 2018

We are excited to:

- Partner with AIR on a screening of the Kevin Hines documentary, "Suicide: The Ripple Effect"
- Launch NAMI's "Ending the Silence" in our area schools
- Launch a Parent Support Network in partnership with The Youth Mental Health Project
- Assist in the implementation of CIT in Mercer County
- Offer still more customized Mental Health presentations to local companies, educational institutions, and organizations
- Increase our footprint through our newly redesigned website and social media campaigns
- Enhance our student internship program
- Craft strategy that envisions and even more vibrant future for NAMI Mercer



NAMI Mercer Expressive Arts Summer Program

(at the NAMI Mercer Center in Hamilton, NJ)

SIP 'N PAINT wit Diane Forer Tues. June 26th @ 7 pm (sparkling grape juice provided)

WIT & WRITING with Leslie Handler Tues. July 10th @ 7 pm

GOOD VIBES: MUSIC ON YOUR MIND

with Jim Gaven & Colleen Ryan Mon. July 23rd @ 6:30 pm

DANCING ON PAPER ~ PAINTING ON SCARVES

with Lisa Brown Mon. Aug. 13th @ 7 pm

THE FUNdamentals OF IMPROV with David Lee White Mon. Aug. 27th @ 7 pm

There is no charge. Registration is required • 609.799.8994 or home@namimercer.org



Outreach Events

From an uplifting concert at Trenton Psychiatric Hospital to education for probation officers to representation at Wellness Fairs, NAMI Mercer is in the community, prompting a new conversation about mental health that focuses on resilience and recovery and changes the way we treat those who are living with mental illness.







Patron Reception & Benefit Concert

Our momentum is powered by the generosity of our donors, including Patron and Pillar-awardee, John Marsland.









Night Out With NAMI

At a 50s Style Sock Hop, we welcomed friends, raised funds, had fun, and honored Dr. Bill Hayes as a Pillar in the community.





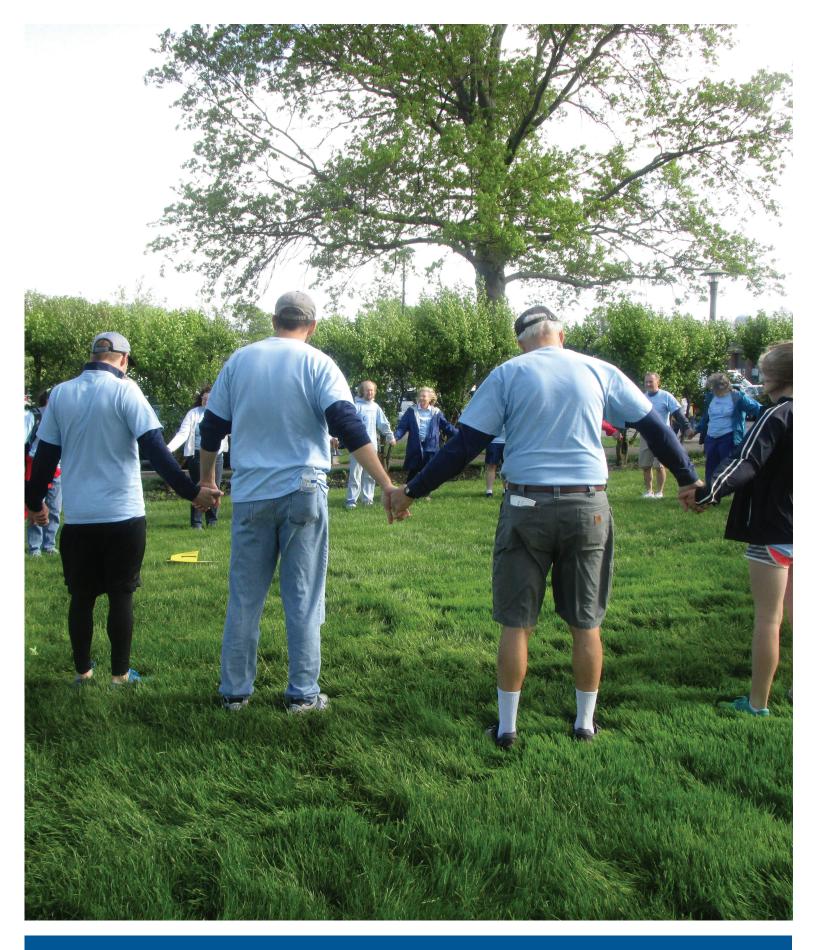






Open House

NAMI Mercer re-located to beautiful new space in Hamilton, NJ, due in large part to the remarkable commitment and architectural brilliance of Bill Wolfe. In addition to opening new doors, we dedicated a Giving Tree with all tribute gifts allocated to Fund for the Future, ensuring NAMI Mercer will be able to meet the needs of future generations.



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