

Langston Hughes Community, Business, & Resource Center

# ANNUAL REPORT

# 2023

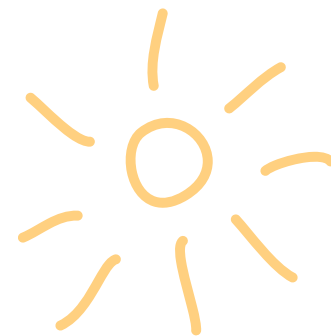


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# LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## SHYMAINE DAVIS



Dear Esteemed Volunteers, Donors, and Committed Partners,

With heartfelt gratitude and a profound sense of purpose, I write to express our sincerest thanks for your unwavering support of Youth Educational Services Inc. Your commitment has been instrumental in the success of our programs, and it is with a mix of joy and sorrow that I share the impact of your contributions in this year's annual report.

Your dedication to our cause has allowed us to achieve remarkable milestones in our food pantry, youth programming, IT classes, and mental health support initiatives. Together, we have transformed lives by providing sustenance, education, skills, and a supportive community for those in need. Your generosity has been the catalyst for positive change, and we are immensely grateful for the difference you continue to make.

Amidst our successes, it is with a heavy heart that I share the news of our recent losses in our Langston Hughes family. This tragedy serves as a poignant reminder of the challenges faced by many in our community, particularly the urgent need for resources like the Langston Hughes Community Business and Resource Center (CBRC). The Langston Hughes CBRC is not just a facility; it is a beacon of hope, a sanctuary for community support that can make a profound difference in the lives of our youth.

As we come together to celebrate our successes and confront the challenges that lie ahead, I implore you to consider the profound impact your support has on the lives of our community members. Your generosity has the power to bring about positive change and healing to our Park Heights community.

Let us channel our grief into action, ensuring that the Langston Hughes CBRC becomes a reality. Together, we can create a supportive environment that connects our community with workforce development, health foods, physical activities, mental health support, youth development

In closing, I extend my deepest appreciation for your continued commitment to Youth Educational Services Inc. Your compassion and generosity are the driving forces behind our mission, and together, we can create a brighter and more resilient future for our community.

With gratitude and determination,

Shymaine Davis  
Interim Executive Director





# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**The Langston Hughes Community, Business and Resource Center has had a transformative year in 2023.**

**Our commitment to serving the community through various initiatives has been bolstered by significant support from our funders and the dedication of our volunteers and staff.**

**This report highlights our key achievements, financial supporters, potential future funding, and our plans for continued growth and community impact.**



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**Community Business & Resource Center**

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## OUR COMMUNITY, OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Mr. George E. Mitchell, established the center on July 3, 2017, in Park Heights, Baltimore. His initial mission was to provide an accessible library for Park Heights residents. His efforts have now expanded to serving the community with wrap around support.

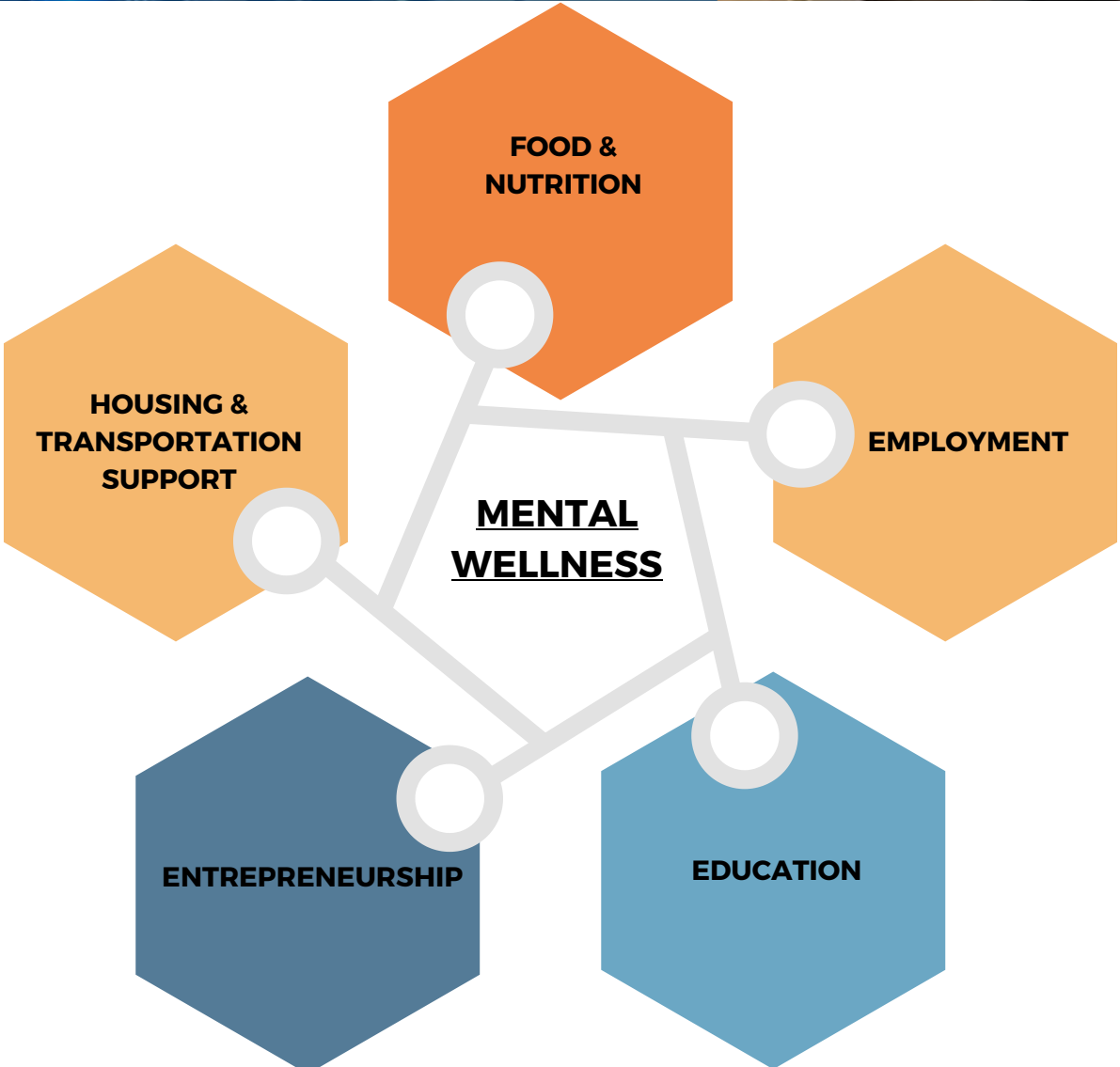
**Mr. George Mitchell**



## LEADERSHIP, DEDICATION, COMMUNITY, IMPACT

Ms. Shymaine Davis has exemplified exceptional leadership and commitment to the Park Heights Community. Her efforts are focused on rigorously raising funds to support and expand the center's impactful programs. Under her guidance, the center continues to provide quality services and resources, significantly contributing to the community's growth and empowerment.







## CURRENT PARTNERS

**Bridget Alston-Smith (affectionately known as Momma B) of Youth Ambassadors Leadership Academy partnered with YES to lead the Langston Hughes CBRC.**

### **Current Tenant Partners:**

- **Angela Y. Davis Leadership Academy**
- **Artgevity**
- **Baltimore Brothers Inc.**
- **Baltimore Sisters Inc.**
- **Cody Young Empowerment Youth Charities**
- **Court Steppas**
- **Each 1 Teach 1 Community Health, LLC,**
- **Emerald Village**
- **Harford Business Center**
- **Holy Grounds Faith Ministries**
- **Innovative Initiatives**
- **Reasonable Tech**
- **We Our Us**





## 2023 AT A GLANCE

- We served over 10,000 people within a five-mile radius of the 21215 community. Our food pantry distributed over 159,262 pounds of food, valued at over \$40,080.

# FUNDING SUPPORTERS



MARYLAND  
FOOD BANK

park**HEIGHTS**  
renaissance  
**Bold new HEIGHTS**



**Baltimore Community  
Foundation**





## VOLUNTEERS

**Thank you for being an integral part of our team and for making a difference in the lives of others.**

**Your generosity does not go unnoticed, and we are fortunate to have you as a vital member of the Langston Hughes Community, Business & Resource Center family.**

**Best,**

**Dr. Garnett & Ms. Carol Little, Food Pantry Facilitators**

*In Loving Memory of Mr. Carl Williams,*

***whose selfless dedication and volunteer work at Langston Hughes CBRC left an indelible mark on our hearts and community.***





# PROJECTS & NEXT STEPS...

Phase	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
Timeframe	2022	2023-2024	2025
Amount	\$150K	\$850K	\$500K
Project Elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1st Floor Renovations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HVAC</li> <li>• Bathroom Renovations</li> <li>• Sprinklers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roof Repairs</li> <li>• Solar Panel Installations</li> </ul>



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