# Albany Damien Center



2019 Annual Impact Report

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In 2019, 100% of our Board Members contributed over

623 hours of service and donated \$5,723.00

to support our mission.

in monetary gifts





## **Executive Team**

Perry James Junjulas, MBA

**Executive Director & Person with AIDS** 

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**Our Mission** is to enhance the lives of people affected by HIV and AIDS in an affirming environment and to reduce new infections in the communities we serve.

**Our Vision** is a community where people with HIV and AIDS achieve their desired potential and are respected as coworkers, neighbors, and friends, while striving for an HIV free generation.

#### **Message from our Board President**

As this annual report demonstrates, 2019 was another strong year for the Albany Damien Center in fulfilling its critical mission to meet the housing, nutritional, and support service needs of its members. Back then, none of us would have predicted what 2020 would bring, with a devastating global pandemic killing over a million people worldwide and causing personal and financial hardship everywhere.

Thanks to Perry and our extraordinary staff, operations at the Damien Center have continued, though modified to conform with public health COVID-19 guidelines. The Albany Damien Center Board of Directors deeply appreciates the continued support of our diverse community of funders, donors, and volunteers who make the work of the Damien Center possible. And, of course, we thank the hundreds of members who put their trust in the Damien Center on a daily basis. Next year we may have even greater challenges in store for us all, but by working together we will continue to thrive.

Dan O'Connell, Board President

#### **Message from our Executive Director**

Our ability to adapt to change is vital to our successfully fulfilling our mission. We continue to be strategic in recognizing emerging needs and evolving our program services to make the most impact.

In 2019, we started the Employment Pathways Program designed to help people with HIV and AIDS return to work and school by offering individualized support with resume writing, job searches, benefits analysis, and job coaching. We shifted direction in our MPower! program to focus on the health and human services needs of our Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Gender Non-Binary (LGBT-TGNB) community regardless of HIV status. Included was specific support to help our TGNB community gain access to employment. We welcomed the Capital Region NAMES Project Chapter, the only chapter in New York State, as one of our newest programs and said a fond goodbye to the Treasure Chest Thrift Store after 20 years of operation in the community. These changes added value to our existing programs including Housing, PAWS, Smart Meals, and our drop-in Living Room.

In 2019, I also had the honor to work with Dan O'Connell, who in June became our Albany Damien Center Board President. Dan has brought his 30 years' experience in HIV services to the Damien Center, having served in a number of increasingly responsible positions with the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute including from 2013-16 as the AIDS Institute's Director. The Albany Damien Center has benefitted greatly from Dan's leadership and I have enjoyed our journey as we tackle issues with Dan's extensive expertise and great sense of humor.

The Greek philosopher Heraclitus stated, "The only constant in life is change". As of this writing, we have witnessed the Albany Damien Center continue to evolve with the COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring our service delivery meets the highest standards of safety. While COVID brought back many of the traumas we experienced from the early days of the AIDS pandemic, it also brought back that ability to fight and adapt to deal with the unknown to help each person stay as safe as possible.

Our work is far from done. Poverty, HIV stigma, trauma, systemic racism, mental health issues, and substance use disorder continue to be formidable obstacles to each person receiving the love, care, and services they need to survive. Thus, the need for the Damien Center continues.

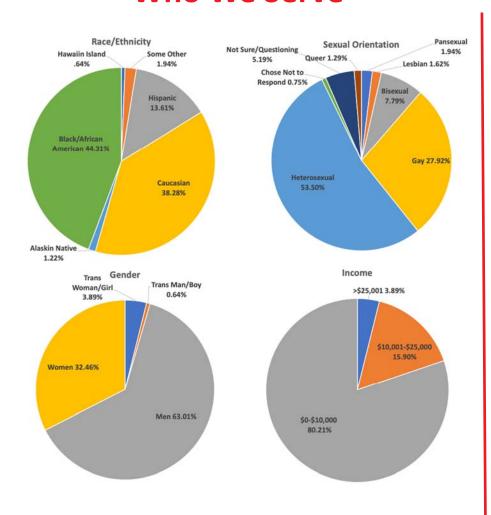
However, as things change, one constant for the people we serve is that the Albany Damien Center continues to be here after 32 years. I am so thankful to our Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, members, tenants, and donors who fight hard to keep the Albany Damien Center going each day and into the future for the next person who needs us.

Thank you all for joining us on this journey!

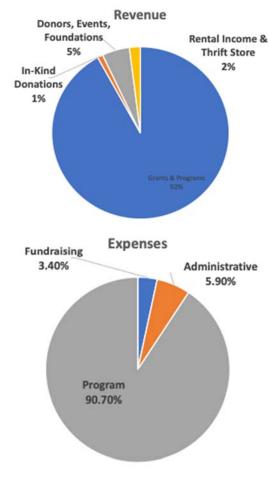
Perry James Junjulas, Executive Director & Person Living with AIDS who is UNDETECTABLE



## Who We Serve



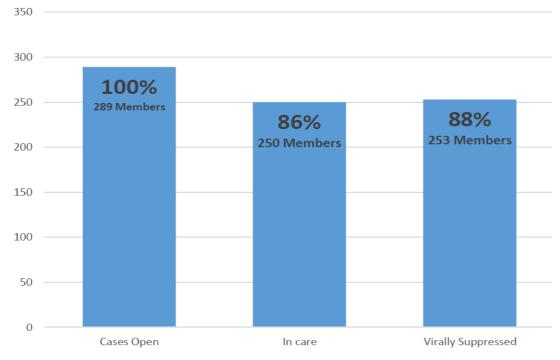
## How We Do It



## **HIV Care Continuum Albany Damien Center (2019)**

#### <u>In 2019</u>

- 88% of all Albany
   Damien Center
   Members were virally suppressed.
- 86% of Members had at least one VL or CD4 lab test during the calendar year



## **Employment Pathways**

In April of 2019, the Albany Damien Center began offering employment services to members who are interested in entering the workforce or returning to school.

Our employment team provides intensive employment case management including assistance with resume building, job searches, benefits counseling, and strategies for maintaining financial health.

The Albany Damien Center has long recognized the health benefits for people with HIV and AIDS in going to work, school, or with volunteering. Science has also shown that employment increases HIV prevention efforts, moving us to our goal of Ending the AIDS Epidemic.





## **2019 Statistics**

55 members were served

**680** services were provided

## **The NAMES Project**

In September 2019, The NAMES Project became one of our newest programs. The Albany Damien Center is the NY Capital Region Chapter, and the only one in New York State, and now one of the ten nationwide chapters of the project. It is a great honor to be facilitating and maintaining the NAMES Project as a champion for this historical National Treasure.



The primary mission of the New York Capital Region NAMES Project is to use the AIDS Memorial Quilt to provide HIV prevention education. The Quilt provides a creative means for remembrance and healing, and it has proven to increase public awareness by illustrating the enormity of the AIDS epidemic.

The Quilt is a powerful visual tool. Raising public awareness of the AIDS pandemic allows community members to engage in open dialogue, which reduces the fears and stigma attached to the disease.





#### **Undetectable = Untransmittable**

U = U signifies that individuals with HIV who take HIV medications (antiretroviral therapy or ART) and maintain an undetectable viral load cannot sexually transmit the HIV virus to others. This concept, based on strong scientific evidence, has broad implications for treatment of HIV infection from a scientific and public health standpoint and for the self-esteem of individuals by reducing the stigma associated with HIV. The Damien Center is proud to work to End HIV Stigma and End

## **Housing**

Our permanent supportive housing program extends beyond simply providing a clean, warm, dry and safe place to live. This program follows the Housing First model which acknowledges that people need their basic needs, like a place to live and food, met before they can overcome other challenges like unemployment, behavioral health and substance abuse.

In addition to having their own apartment, Albany Damien Center tenants receive healthy meals and have access to the in-house gym, computer lab, on-site pharmacy, job placement services and behavioral health services. By going beyond simply meeting basic needs, the Albany Damien Center helps our tenants to achieve undetectable status by staying healthy and well, moving us closer to the goal of Ending the Epidemic.

In 2019, our 18 studio and 2 one-bedroom apartments provided housing for 20 individuals living with HIV and AIDS who were homeless or at risk of homelessness. We also provided housing and case management support for 15 people with HIV in off-site apartments in the community. The overwhelming majority of persons housed were already living in our Albany neighborhoods on the street, in shelters, or in places not fit for humans to live.



## **2019 Statistics**

**39 persons with HIV and AIDS,** who were formerly homeless, were housed in their own apartment and provided with supportive housing case management.

**\$1.1m to \$2.2m** in estimated tax payer cost savings



A stable home is at the center of our lives and our happiness.

## PAWS - Pets Are Wonderful Support (Est. 1993)

Research has shown that pets keep us healthy and well. PAWS provided in-home pet care when members were ill, pet food & supplies and assistance with veterinary care so Albany Damien Center members can direct their resources to their own needs. By working to help people living with HIV and AIDS provide for their pets, we keep people and pets together in their loving homes, often when they need each other the most.



## 2019 Statistics

137 clients & 162 pets received PAWS services

**12,732** lbs. of pet food, litter, and treats distributed

\$6,613 pet care bills paid

**22** pets received in-home and foster care assistance







## Saint Damien of Molokai, Hawaii

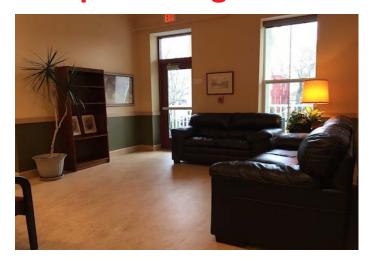


The Damien Center was named after Father Damien, a Catholic Priest in the late 1800s who ministered to terminally ill lepers on the island of Molokai, Hawaii. Under his leadership basic laws were enforced, shacks became painted houses, working farms were organized, and schools were established.

Leprosy was thought to be very contagious, and thus, ships would come close to the island and toss lepers overboard to swim to the island. Fr. Damien ended up contracting leprosy and died in 1889 at the age of 49. Father Damien was canonized on October 11, 2009 by Pope Benedict XVI.

Thus, in 1988 The Damien Center was named in honor of Fr. Damien as a Ministry of the Capital District Episcopal Churches and their friends in response to the Episcopal Church's call to meet the crisis of the AIDS Epidemic. While the Damien Center is not a faith-based organization, persons from all religious and spiritual traditions to receive our services.

## Drop-In Living Room (Est. 1988)



**2019 Statistics** 

**332** Members served **11,145** Member visits

## Smart Meals (Est. 1991)

Healthy nutrition is critical to maintaining good health, achieving and maintaining undetectable status, and ultimately Ending the Epidemic.

Through our hot meals prepared fresh on-site, pantry bags, and food gift cards, the Smart Meals program supported our members in improving their nutritional well-being. The program combines food and meals with group and individual Nutrition Health Education aimed at improving diet quality, physical activity, food safety, food security, and shopping savvy.

Since 1988, the Albany Damien Center has provided a comfortable living room environment as a safe place for a member to spend time when they may not have anywhere else to go or for when they just need socialization and support.

The heart of the Albany Damien Center, the Drop-in Living Room also provides gym access, computer access, support groups, holistic therapy, recreational activities and special events and is open Monday through Friday, 8a.m.—6:30p.m. and on weekends for special events.



"If it wasn't for the Damien Center bringing me food and other things, I'd be in trouble.

- Carol, Smart Meals and PAWS
Member Testimonial

## **2019 Statistics**

Served **38,635** meals through breakfasts, lunches, dinners, barbecues - all made with fresh ingredients on-site - plus pantry bags and food gift cards.

**1,113** Nutrition Health Education sessions held in group and individual settings.



## MPower! (Est. 2014)

In 2019, MPower! transitioned to focus on the health and human services needs of our Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Gender Non-Binary (LGBT-TGNB) community regardless of HIV status.

The MPower! team also placed an emphasis on helping persons of trans experience with changing their names, gender markers and navigating employment challenges.

## **2019 Statistics**

26 clients, with99 encounters, and99 services





## Treasure Chest Thrift Store (Est. 1999)

The Treasure Chest Thrift Store closed on December 12, 2019.

The Albany Damien Center began The Treasure Chest 20 years ago as a vehicle to raise funds, provide items for people with HIV and AIDS, and promote community awareness of AIDS. Along the way, we also had many of our members learn valuable skills that led them to future opportunities. But due to increasing costs and the challenges of running a thrift store in an age when the online marketplace rules, we decided it was time cease the Treasure Chest Thrift Store Program.

We are very proud of the accomplishments of the Treasure Chest over the past 20 years and how this program has helped

REASURE THRIFT THRIFT STORE

the lives of so many people in our local community. We are especially grateful to Walter Mastan and our volunteers for their work to help our members through the Treasure Chest.

Our ability to adapt to changes as an agency is paramount to our looking to the future and how we will successfully fulfill our mission. We will always be grateful to our community's support of the Treasure Chest.

## **Volunteers In 2019**

Volunteers make a world of difference at the Damien Center. Each year, our registered volunteers contribute their time and energy on a regular basis to people living with HIV and AIDS. Members we serve at the Damien Center also volunteer as a way of giving back for the services they receive and for the joy of helping others.

In 2019, our active use of volunteers helped us leverage funding that made your donations and our grants go further and added to the support and love that each of our members received. We sincerely appreciate the time, devotion, and compassion of our volunteers who work so hard to help us fulfill our mission!

Andre Adkins

Aquila Chapter of Lambda Sigma Upsilon Ayco, A Goldman Sachs Company

Wes Bennett

**Bethel Baptist Church** 

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Emma Bush

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Heidi Cornell

Mary Beth Clancy Halayko

Andrei Davis

**Sharon DeBonis** 

Regina Dew

John Dieshner

Hassan Elmiyam

Temple Beth Emeth

Cynthia Farrell, DVM

Fire First Ministry

Jackie Fulker

Bill Gaul

Paige Gizzi

**Angel Gonzalez** 

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**Becky Hutchins** 

Doug Jasinski

Joanne Jensen

Zack Kaplan

Jeff Kaufman

Sheila Kelle

Melissa Kelts-Martin

Paul Kosachiner

Rob Larocca

**Eleanor Laviolette** 

Cathi LeBarge

The Living Resources

Volunteers

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**MAC Cosmetics** 

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Joanne Martinez

Cheryl McCathran, DVM

John McEnerney

Molly McGuire

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**Emery Miller** 

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Darryl Pitts

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Amanda Thompson, LVT

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John Wilson

Summyrrh Woodard

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority



## **Pharmacy Continues to Save Lives!**



#### **Town Total Health Pharmacy**

728 Madison Ave • Suite B1

Albany, NY 12208

Phone: 518.257.7294

Town Total Health Pharmacy is open to the public and a portion of medication sales to the members we serve helps to support our programs!

Town Total's hassle-free services include:

- Free Medication Delivery to Your Home
- **Refill Reminders**
- Insurance & Co-Pay Assistance
- **Total Pack Medication Packages**
- Helpful & Knowledgeable Pharmacists
- Personalized Adherence Support

#### Let us help you get to UNDETECTABLE!!

Call us to have Town Total Health help you get the medications and support you need! 10

## **2019 Financial Information\***

#### ASSETS & LIABILITIES (as of 12/31/2019)

	2019	2018
Assets		
Current Assets	\$1,782,788	\$1,269,025
Property & Equipment	<u>4,640,544</u>	<u>4,873,857</u>
Assets	\$6,423,332	\$6,142,882
Liabilities & Net Assets		
Liabilities	\$331,593	\$337,428
Net Assets	<u>6,091,739</u>	<u>5,805,454</u>
Liabilities & Net Assets	\$6,423,332	\$6,142,882
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#### **2019 INCOME STATEMENT**

Excess or (Deficiency) of

**Revenue Over Expenses** 

#### Revenue

Revenue	
Donations, Grants & Programs	\$5,485,470
Fundraising Events	52,199
Thrift Shop Sales	26,604
In-kind Donations	43.741
Interest	3,033
Net assets released from restrictions	192,496
Total Revenue	\$5,803,543
Expenses	
Program Services	\$4,848,865
Management & General	316,994
Fundraising	180,919
Loss on disposal of equipment	3,207
Expenses	\$5,349,985

Fundraising Administrative 5.90%

Program 90.70%

\*Note: Financial information is from internal fiscal statements. Our audited financial statements are available upon request.



\$453,558

## **2019 Fundraisers & Events**

We are SO grateful to those who support our fundraising efforts by attending, donating and hosting one for us.

## 9th Annual Bowling for PAWS

- February 24, 2019
- \$15,035 raised

#### **AIDS Walk & Festival**

- April 13, 2019
- \$26,909 raised

#### Hero Awards

- September 28, 2019
- \$36,122 raised

## 14th Santa Speedo Sprint

- December 14, 2019
- \$14,000 raised

#### Thank you to our event sponsors!







































## 2019 Gifts In Honor/In Memory

We are honored to be part of remembering and celebrating special family, friends, and occasions. The love and spirit in which these gifts are given is reflected in our work. We deeply appreciate the choice to honor your loved ones in this way.

Gene Addis
Nancy Burton
Michael Murphy
Terry Paige
Gary Pavlic

Vince Quackenbush Michele Santucci Ken Screven

**Thomas D. Bambury** 

Jean Bambury
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Diane Kempf
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Mary Jo Henry

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Nadine Brown-Silver

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Thomas C. Clark

Jennifer Colletti

Todd Cramer
John Culligan
Candace Deisley
Marissa Dew
Regina Dew
Minda Dwyer
Beth Elliott
Roxanne Carelli Elwell

Joseph Esposito
David Fenton
Peter Fisher
Jacqueline Fitzpatrick

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Heather Giorgianni
Deborah Graves
Kyle Humphreys
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Linda Wagner

Vida Prophet
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Ryan Ramdass

Rebecca Klimek

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In Memory of Chardonnay LaTease

#### **Organizations**

#### \$1.000+

Albany Society for the Advancement of Philanthropy

**BBL** Hospitality

**Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS** Capital District Physicians Health Plan, Inc. Christ Community Reformed Church in

America

Congregation Beth Emeth Ellen A. Picotte Memorial Fund Edith Van Benthuysen McCullough Fund

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#### \$500-\$999

All U, Inc.

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#### \$100 to \$499

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St. Andrews Episcopal Church

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

St. Peter's ALS Regional Church

The Albany Kennel Club

Verizon Foundation c/o Cybergrants

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#### **Individuals**

#### \$1.000+

**Kevin Burns Gail Dieter** Judy Disco

**Gary Guenther** 

Margaret Holbritter Ttees

**Amy Houser** 

Jane Junjulas

Perry Junjulas & Rev. Tony Green

**Timothy Moore** Daniel O'Connell Henry Pohl Andrea Small Jeanne Tucker

> You are very important to us! If we have listed you incorrectly, please let us know!

## 2019 Donors

#### \$500-\$999

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Libby Post & Lynn Dunning-Vaughn

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## How YOU can make a difference for the Damien Center

There are so many ways to **help** The Albany Damien Center including:

Make a monetary contribution—As funding to help people with HIV and AIDS becomes scarce, we rely on your tax-deductible financial gifts to ensure the needs of our individuals and families struggling with HIV are met.

Throw a FUN-raiser!—A great project for school, church, and employer groups to help raise needed funds and HIV and AIDS awareness!



Donate your time and talent through volunteering—Volunteers are extremely important in helping the Damien Center operate each day. There are multiple volunteer opportunities and flexible schedules available.

Make an in-kind donation— From new and gently used clothing, to home-grown garden vegetables, we value every in-kind donation we receive.

Make a Bequest through Planned Giving—A gift through your will or living trust will continue your support of the Albany Damien Center and people living with HIV and AIDS as an important legacy in our community.

Call us for more information on how YOU can help! 518-449-7119

At 62 years-old, the Albany Damien Center may be the first safe and stable home David has had in his life. The second- youngest of seven children, his mother absent and father an alcoholic, David spent time in foster care growing up. A criminal record and challenged by substance abuse, David had little hope of breaking the cycle that landed him homeless and was likely to keep him that way.

Fortunately, David found the Albany Damien Center and became a member. Today, he has his own apartment and access to healthy food, medical care, emotional and behavioral support and employment services.

"I feel safe here. The Damien Center has nice people that care and the support we get here is outrageous! They've given me a second chance at building a life."

## The Albany Damien Center, Inc.

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