House Everyone STL

2023 Annual Report



Imagine a St. Louis region where everyone

can access housing immediately, easily, and safely because

cares about housing for all and participates in

programs respond to immediate needs through

there is affordable and appropriate housing sustained by

community collaborations that include

integrated systems of care designed by

low-barrier shelters and safe havens

outreach Ind referral nonprofit and private landlords supportive service programs

people who can help

people who need help

regional planning initiative stakeholders across sectors

Letter from our Executive Director Samantha Stangl

House Everyone STL (HESTL) was created to imagine and design a future where systems function efficiently, effectively, and serve our unhoused neighbors with dignity. HESTL exists for two reasons: to support the provider community and to strategically align new partners around new solutions. In 2023, HESTL ran full speed in pursuit of both of those goals.



In this annual report, you will find information regarding the ways in which we have served the community, including serving as the Support Agency for the St. Louis City CoC, supporting outreach efforts like Tent Mission, and convening conversations with community leaders regarding innovative solutions. In just one year we have written nearly a dozen grants, expanded our staffing, secured permanent office space, and fostered strong collaborative relationships in the community.

In addition to these programmatic goals, HESTL is committed to elevating community leaders with lived experience and centering discussions around racial equity. HESTL participated in the Consumer Council strategic planning session and will be helping implement the framework developed. All the activities being conducted with current planning grant dollars use a racial equity lens to identify system opportunities for improvement. Without intentional disruption, systems that increase racial disparity will continue to do so.

2024 is poised to be a historic year for the St. Louis City community, and HESTL stands ready to support big systems changes that are developed and led by the St. Louis City CoC. HESTL will produce a newsletter with the CoC community, pilot a Winter Operations Manual (winter planning will begin in March 2024), and cultivate new donors and dollars to support the St. Louis City CoC and broader provider community. HESTL will leverage planning grant funds to build capacity for the system and its providers, train and support leaders with lived experience, and make data actionable. HESTL is pursuing deep strategic planning activities with the CoC Board and broader community.

HESTL is ready to continue serving this community in whatever capacity we can. I am personally honored to walk in this work every day with incredible community advocates. We are a small but mighty team, only able to do our work with the support of many diverse thought partners and leaders. Thank you for supporting the HESTL team.

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Onward, upward,

Samantha Stangl, MSW

Executive Director

Year in Review

This year, House Everyone STL has been active in various impactful endeavors, including:

Supporting Services

While not a direct service provider, House Everyone STL is committed to empowering other organizations to enhance their capacity to meet people's critical needs.

- Winter Response: Collaborated with Tent Mission and Winter Outreach to create a proposal for funding outreach, shelter support, and emergency weather supplies (revised and resubmitted, awaiting decision).
- **Fiscal Agent for Tent Mission:** Partnered with Tent Mission as their fiscal agent, enabling them access to more funding opportunities and establishing reliable financial mechanisms.
- **Shelter Proposal:** Assisted City Hope in developing a proposal for a 150-person shelter (not funded).

Building Collaboration

We aim to amplify the effectiveness of community collaboration by offering essential administrative and organizational support.

- **Support Agency Role:** Served as the first-ever support agency for the St. Louis City Continuum of Care, providing administrative support to all committees and legal protection for the CoC board.
- **Collaborative Applicant:** Chosen by the CoC Board to serve as the St. Louis City CoC Collaborative Applicant, pending selection by the CoC membership as a whole.
- **CoC Planning Grant:** Advocated for and secured a grant to facilitate planning activities for the CoC, including data analysis, listening sessions with people without homes, and training development. Contracted with ICA, Places for People, and Get Help.
- **Clutch Consulting Engagement:** Partnered with the Think Big Initiative to align Clutch Consulting's activities with the St. Louis City CoC.

Integrating Systems

We are dedicated to aiding the development and integration of systems that benefit the entire sector.

- **Missouri Foundation for Health Grant:** Co-developed a proposal with Get Help aimed at enhancing shelter referral tools and integrating them with recovery housing (awaiting decision).
- **Affordable Housing Trust Fund Proposal:** Submitted a proposal to sustain support for the STL Housing Search tool, previously named Social Serve (awaiting decision).

These initiatives reflect our commitment to expanding short and long term services to people without homes through community collaboration and system integration.



Operations & Financial Overview

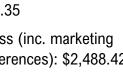
In 2023, over 99.9% of our income came from individual and business contributions.

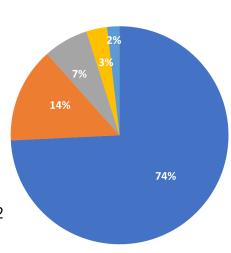
REVENUE: \$252,236.35

EXPENSES: \$135,285.46

Expenses:

- Payroll: \$100,438.26
- Contracts: \$19,153.00
- Other: \$9.026.43
- Programs & Operations:
 - \$4,179.35
- Business (inc. marketing & conferences): \$2,488.42





In 2023, we netted \$116,950.89 in profits and have additionally been awarded \$239,000 in grants from public sources, to be distributed in 2024.

As HESTL is currently undergoing our first financial audit, these numbers are preliminary. The audit will be reported out in Q1 of 2024. In the meantime, please see our Form 990, available on our website.

Staff and Board

Staff

Executive Director: Samantha Stangl

CoC Director: Desireé King

CoC Support Manager: Hannah Fraser Community Engagement and Strategy

Lead Practicum Students:

Caroline Dellheim

Zo Talkin

Board of Directors

Chair: Tim Huffman Vice Chair: Suvir Dhar Secretary: Meredith Childs Treasurer: Karen Strong

At Large: Aaron Gibson **Bob Olwig** LaShanda Boone Lucas Signorelli Taedra Tobias

Emeritus Board

Cynthia Duffe Lana Watson Rich LaPlume Shanna Neiweg

HESTL is dedicated to centering voices of people who have prior or current experience living unhoused. Our Board and all of our major decisions and projects include people with the insights formed from these experiences.

