OUTMEMPHIS 2019 RECAP







2019 has been a year of growth.

We began this year by proudly displaying billboards across Memphis that read WE ARE HERE / ESTAMOS **AQUI**. Thirty years since our founding and fifty years since the Stonewall Riots, that message is still a necessary reminder to those who need to hear us most.

On my first day at OUTMemphis, just ten months ago, we were a relentless operation bursting the seams of the Midtown house our supporters helped us purchase in 2003. By January 2020, our growing staff will be serving three unique and upgraded facilities: our flagship Community Center, our new Administrative & Donation Center, and our Youth Emergency Center, which opens next month.

In 2019, every aspect of "what we do" and "how we do it" has expanded: our services, our intersectional community, our facilities, and our staff. I hope you will spend time today with the enclosed pages: an extraordinary sample of our milestones and of the individuals who make OUTMemphis "OUTMemphis."

Our year of growth was made possible by our donors at every dollar amount. It is your support that enables us to deliver affirming shelter and to foster a culture of safety and joy for all. I am writing you today to ask that you choose OUTMemphis in your end of year giving or to increase your annual amount. Enclose your donation today or contact us at outmemphis. org before December 31, 2019.

With enormous thanks.

yrey

MOLLY ROSE QUINN

Executive Director

The Staff

Molly Rose Quinn Executive Director

Martavius Hampton Senior Director, Health & Evaluation

Stephanie Reyes Senior Director, Development & Education

Stephanie Bell Director of the Metamorphosis Project

Becky Hall **Director of Finance & Operations**

Jessie Claudio Health Services Manager

Chris Riales Operations Specialist

Emerson Kirkpatrick Youth Services Specialist

The Board

Jonathan M. Ealy, Chair Carol Livingston, Vice Chair Maria del Socorro Hubbard, Secretary Matt Barrett, Treasurer **Aimee Lewis Jeff Rhodin Miska Shaw**



2019 By the Numbers



6000	VISITORS
2500	HOURS OF VOLUNTEER SUPPORT
500	DONORS
563	PEOPLE TESTED FOR HIV and STIs
100%	OF HIV+ LINKED TO CARE







OUTMemphis 2020: Looking Ahead

Opening the Metamorphosis Project Youth Emergency Center

On January 25, we will celebrate the official start of operations, including drop-in services and emergency overnight shelter. 2020 will also include the expansion of our fullservice Donation Center on Summer Avenue and our Rapid Re-Housing program, which provides 1 year of rental assistance to LGBTQ+ youth.

Organizational Sustainability

2019 was our year of growth, a launch point from our first 30 years to the next 30. In 2020, our priority will be deepening the longterm impact of our programs and services and the retention of our staff, Board, volunteers, and supporters.

Expansion of Health Services

After ten years of providing communitybased and racial justice-driven sexual health services, OUTMemphis will be expanding services on five other areas research identifies as uniquely essential to our community: mental health, body image and nutrition, substance abuse, spiritual health, and intimate partner violence.

Planning Phase of our Social Enterprise

In 2020, we will complete the planning phase for our future Social Enterprise: a commercial project, operated fully by OUTMemphis, providing employment and job training to LGBTQ+ Memphians excluded from economic stability. Our Social Enterprise project is supported by the Kresge Foundation and their KIP:M program.

Growth in Trans Services

In January, we will kick off an ongoing expansion of social support and direct services for our trans family. This will include our first ever Trans Services Fellowship, a paid six-month opportunity for peer advocates under 25.

Assessment & Evaluation

As each of our programmatic pillars expands, OUTMemphis will invest this coming year in data-driven community needs assessments and will use our partners and unique skillsets to evaluate the successes of our program. We are one of the oldest LGBTQ+ providers in the country and we aim to use that wealth to lay the groundwork for efforts to come.



MACKENZIE *she, her, hers*

"I'm not waiting for your okay because I know I am brave. I will never be perfect so now that I have my heart open, I can breathe."

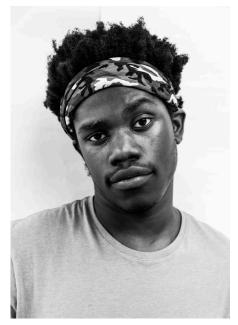
CODY *he, him, his*

"My parents – they didn't know how to handle it. And when they didn't know how to handle it, I ended up not knowing how to handle it."

A SPECIAL THANKS TO







ARSHAWN he, him, his

"We always get criticized, but we have to overlook that and focus on what makes us happy as a person and people in general, and we just have to strive for better."



Headshots courtesy of Project Contrast www.projectcontrast.com



OUTMEMPHIS COMMUNITY CENTER 892 COOPER STREET



THE METAMORPHOSIS PROJECT: YOUTH EMERGENCY CENTER

2055 SOUTHERN AVENUE



ADMIN & DONATION CENTER

832 VIRGINIA RUN COVE



THE LGBTQ+ CENTERFOR THE MID-SOUTH OUTMEMPHIS.ORG | 901-212-6422 INFO@OUTMEMPHIS.ORG | @OUTMEMPHIS