



WALKER AREA COMMUNITY CENTER

Annual Report

To the Walker Area Community:

The Walker Area Community Center is a key element to the success of the children and families of our community. Understand this on a very personal level. Not only am I on the Board, but my children participate in many of the programs that are hosted in the WACC. I find myself at the WACC several days each week, either picking up or dropping off kids, attending meetings or working out in the WACC's fitness area. Quite literally, I don't know exactly what our family schedule would be like without the WACC.

The WACC is successful in its day-to-day operation for one reason only – the people who care about the facility and the programs and work to make it successful. Those people include a wonderful staff, volunteers of the WACC and its signature events, program leaders and instructors who utilize our space, and current and past Board of Directors. These people make the WACC the place that it is. They invest in our future.

As current President of the Board, I look forward to continuing the many partnerships and events that have been successful. I also look forward to exploring new avenues for programming, events and funding for our center. My priorities include partnerships, funding and community engagement. Work with the Board, we will maintain and improve existing partnerships and seek to develop new partnerships that support our mission. We will find and apply for new grants to widen our funding sources. And we will continue to seek out opportunities to engage all community members in a wide range of activities, events and programs. The WACC has something for everyone. Thank you all for your support!

Carolyn Upton

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Mission:

To provide civic, cultural, educational and recreational opportunities for the purpose of balance and healthy communities.

Strategic Goals: The WACC is a dynamic and important part of this community. It provides important services and opportunities for young peoples, adults, retirees, part time residents, full time residents and visitors. It is important that we find ways to ensure the financial health of the Center. This is our biggest challenge. It is through constant attention to this issue that solutions will be found. The WACC has tremendous support from families, civic organizations, sporting organizations, volunteers and individual members. It will be through the hard work and dedication of these people and groups that the WACC will continue to be able to provide the programs that the community has come to depend on.

The Walker Area Community Center (WACC) is a 501c3 non-profit organization that was established in 2000 in response to a need to provide a safe and healthy environment for youth and the broader community in way that improve our overall wellness and strengthen our local economies. The WACC was completed in 2007. The WACC was built with a variety of donations; and day-to-day operations are currently supported by memberships, partnerships and donations. The WACC serves an area contiguous with the boundaries of School District 113, roughly 25 miles in any direction from the hub of Walker. Currently, the WACC has over 75,000 user visits annually by people who utilize the gymnasium, fitness center, meeting spaces, and our civic arena. We have established effective collaborations with a wide range of civic and recreational partners to address issues focused with impoverished communities. This is accomplished by providing adult programs, fitness and sports, youth programming, and meeting and gathering spaces.

2012 Financial Statements

Balance Sheet December 31, 2012

Assets	75,710.46
Fixed Assets	
Accumulated Depreciation	(242,586.00)
Property & Equipment	4,297,132.65
Other Assets	
BGC Obligation	114,000.00
Total Assets	4,244,257.11
Liabilities & Equity	
Liabilities	27,028.33
Long Term Liabilities	1,755,035.41
Total Liabilities	1,802,063.74
Equity	<u>2,442,193.37</u>
Total Liabilities & Equity	4,244,257.11

Statement of Income & Expense 2012

Rounded to nearest \$100.00

Support & Revenue	
Events	110,700.00
Contributions	16,300.00
Operating	157,700.00
Total Income	284,700.00
Expense	
Events	40,600.00
Facility	134,600.00
General Administrative	96,300.00
Program	1,000.00
Total Expenses	272,500.00
Profit/Loss	12,200.00

Excludes debt service.

Programs, Services & Partnerships

Programs: The WACC provides youth programming in collaboration with the Walker-Hackensack-Akeley Community Education program, targeting the after-school and off-school time periods. The WACC also provides adult fitness programs including aerobic classes, strength training and personal training services in the fitness center. Most of these activities are available to the community at a low or very reasonable cost.

Services: The WACC provides a wide range of services to the local community and is listed below. Many of these services are not available to the community in any other location.

- Fitness Center and Gymnasium (321 members)
- Ice Arena & Outdoor Rink
- Rotary Meeting Room
- Ringle Library
- Room Rentals

Community Center Partnerships: The WACC sustains on-site programming partnerships with civic, recreational, sport and youth groups, including the organizations below:

- Boys and Girls Club Walker Unit (166 members)
- Walker Youth Hockey Association (75 participants)
- Walker Curling Club (125 participants)
- Rotary International (63 members locally)
- SilverSneakers Program (94 members)
- Just for Kix Dance Program (129 participants)
- Tae Kwon Do Martial Arts (40 participants)
- Leech Lake Gaming Fitness Program (21 members)

2012 Contributors

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Any omissions were unintentional. Please contact us if your name was inadvertently left off our donor list.



Forrest Watson is one our 20 plus volunteers who have put in more than 1500 hours in 2012.

Forrest started volunteering at the WACC shortly after it opened in 2007 and has provided us with over 1,000 hours of service.

He is a long time resident of the Walker area and a valuable member of our team.