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annual report

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Dear Friends,

If there is one word to describe fiscal year 2003, it is probably "survival". The combination of a stagnant economy, lower assets and more requests for support caused a substantial decline in foundation grants, traditionally the main source of Perry, Inc. funding. The same would have been said of individual contributions but for significant gifts from an anonymous donor. Perry, Inc. was able to sustain, and in some cases expand, its programs in youth development, social services and economic empowerment through use of a renovation account, which became available through an agreement with the D.C. Department of Housing and Community Development to write down a renovation loan in return for services.

The efforts of our youth development department to foster the academic and personal growth of youth and help them overcome obstacles to achievement were enhanced by a new mentoring program funded by the Department of Justice and an addiction prevention program with new funding from the D.C. Addiction Prevention and Recovery Administration. The addiction prevention program was transferred from social services and continued to help over 40 youth. We served over 250 youth in summer camps at the Perry Center and several community locations with funding from the Children and Youth Investment Trust Corp. and private funders. Our Computer Learning Center and Art Center continued to play important roles by developing artistic talents and computer skills and enhancing the academic performance of our young people.

The social services department passed the 300 mark in individuals and families helped. Poor economic conditions affected more families and resulted in a doubling of emergency assistance to help people obtain housing or avoid losing housing through rent or utility payments and for other crises. We continued to provide counseling for families involved with the D.C. Child and Family Services Administration and to assist parents in addressing family concerns and problems through two Parents Anonymous groups. Perry, Inc. was selected near the end of the fiscal year for a program of housing subsidy management and case management as needed for HIV/AIDS clients.

Poor economic conditions were experienced most acutely in our economic empowerment services. Job placements fell significantly from the prior fiscal year. We shifted our emphasis to qualifying more people for jobs by expanding our job training programs and training 115 more people than in the prior fiscal year and referring 90 more people to other training programs. We also added workshops on life/job skills and on money management. We also assumed responsibility for the GED program from another organization and enrolled 52 individuals. Adult literacy is a serious problem in PSCSC, Inc.'s service area and a major impediment to gainful employment.

While striving to sustain current programs and take advantage of some new opportunities, Perry, Inc. looked to the future and substantially completed a strategic plan to create goals and outcomes for the organization for the next five years. We are very grateful for those public and private entities and individuals who supported us during the year. Our goal of eradicating poverty in our service area requires a sustained effort and we appreciate very much those who enabled us to complete another year of effort.

Sincerely,

Paul McElligott
Executive Director

Anita Bonds
Board Chair

our commitment

Perry School Community Services Center, Inc. was created in 1991 to address issues of chronic poverty in the North Capitol street community. The community raised over \$5.6 million to convert the vacant and historic Perry School into the Perry School Community Services Center. Perry Inc., as a nonprofit corporation, developed the Perry Center.

The mission of Perry, Inc. is the eradication of poverty – its causes and consequences – through the development of individuals, families, youth and communities within Perry, Inc.'s service area. By bringing together quality, complementary and collaborating services, the Perry Center addresses the complex issues that cause chronic poverty rather than focusing on individual problems alone. Ten organizations provide a range of services including: healthcare, early child and youth development, computer learning, art and dance, job training, counseling and placement, social services and other community services.

Perry, Inc.'s programs are designed to remove obstacles to human development. We practice a holistic approach to development, recognizing that change occurs in stages and that each person possesses physical, mental and moral capacities. Perry, Inc. collaborates with other organizations and institutions in the community to create supportive systems that help people realize their human potential.

programs + services

youth development

The Youth Development Office coordinates Perry, Inc.'s youth programs in preschool education, art, computer learning, addiction prevention, mentoring, and after school and summer programs. Under the leadership of our Director of Youth Development, Marsha Middleton, this office fosters collaboration among youth programs and institutions throughout the community.

In FY2003, Perry, Inc. added a mentoring program for young males ages 8-12 with funding from the Department of Justice and assumed responsibility for an adolescent addiction prevention program with funding from the D.C. Addiction Prevention and Recovery Administration. **The HIPPY preschool program grew to 77 youngsters and summer camp to over 250 youth.**

By the end of FY2003, more than 600 youth were served by Perry, Inc.

computer learning centers

The opening of our second 15-station computer-learning center in 2001 gave us the flexibility to handle one large class or two classes at the same time. Elementary school youth receive instruction through age-appropriate curricula, furthering academic achievement. "Open Lab" time allows youth to prepare papers, do research, communicate with other youth, and enjoy building skills in computer use. In FY2002, we added science to our program with youth using the Internet for research. In FY2003 the computer center continued to develop skills and enhance academic achievement among an increasing number of youth in after school and summer camp programs.

art center

The Art Center continues to develop young artists at both the elementary school and high school levels. New craft activities encourage artistic achievement in younger youth. Older students develop portfolios to qualify for art school. Others have designed and painted murals at the National Children's Medical Center and new Metro Stop at First St. and New York Ave., NE as community outreach projects. Students' works of art brighten and beautify the walls of the Perry Center. In FY2003, art staff co-taught new art classes at Terrell Junior High School and art students contributed paintings to a publication of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

home instruction for parents of preschool youngsters (hippy)

Pauline Mosby, as HIPPY Coordinator, **expanded the HIPPY program to 77 youngsters**, maintained HIPPY's high standards, and continued a new summer program for graduates. The summer program provides one-on-one tutoring and educational field trips to ensure that each graduate is fully ready to enter school.

By teaching parents to read to their children, HIPPY promotes loving parent/child relations and literacy development. A grant from First Book and donations from Georgetown University and Somerset School allowed youngsters to receive over **1,000 additional books**.

social services

The number of families assisted by Perry, Inc. social services **passed 300** in FY2003. These included homeless families, families in the D.C. Child and Family Services Administration system, and walk-ins. A full range of social services – counseling, emergency assistance, day care, housing and other services – continues to meet the particular needs of individuals and families in our service area. Two Parents Anonymous groups were continued during FY2003, led by parents who facilitate discussion of common issues and problems, and counsel each other about solutions. Perry, Inc. was selected near the end of the fiscal year for a new program in managing rental subsidies and providing case management as needed for HIV/AIDS clients.

economic empowerment

Poor economic conditions caused a substantial reduction in job placements in FY2003. Perry, Inc. turned its focus to qualifying people for jobs when the economy improves by expanding training programs. People in training programs sponsored by Perry, Inc. **increased by 115** and referrals to other training programs **increased by 90**.

Certified day care training was continued and Perry, Inc. assumed responsibility for GED training with **52 adults enrolled**. New workshops in life skills and money management were added and Perry, Inc. began an Individual Development Account Program with five people saving to buy a house, start a business, or further their education.

The VITA tax assistance program in partnership with Georgetown Law Center assisted **18 adults in filing taxes** and obtaining earned income tax credits.

perry, inc. administration

Expenses remained stable at \$1.3 million, but revenues, especially foundation grants, declined. This caused a net operating loss, which was covered by a renovation fund, which became available when Perry, Inc. and the D.C. Department of Housing and Community Development resolved an outstanding renovation loan in return for services. Perry, Inc. and CITI, our technology consultant, began creating a tracking system of youth in our programs. Students from Georgetown University and Trinity College began mapping community assets for a computerized database of Perry, Inc.

statements of financial position

For Year Ending September 30, 2003

assets

Current Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 424,868
Grants receivable	182,351
Other current assets	14,048
Total Current Assets	621,267

Fixed Assets

Leasehold improvements, net	4,772,080
Furniture and equipment, net	35,537
Automobile, net	21,137
Net Fixed Assets	4,828,754

Other Assets	4,000
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TOTAL ASSETS \$5,454,021

liabilities + net assets

Current Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 65,602
Security deposits	21,500
Total Current Liabilities	87,102

Long-term loan payable	1,580,000
Total Liabilities	1,667,102

Net Assets

Unrestricted	3,418,203
Temporarily restricted	368,716
Total Net Assets	3,786,919

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS \$5,454,021

statements of activity

For Year Ending September 30, 2003

	Unrestricted	Temp. Restricted	Total
support + revenue			
Support			
Foundation and corporate grants	\$ 336,333	51,541	\$ 387,874
Governmental grants	381,079	233,175	614,254
Other Grants and Contributions	347,175	24,000	371,175
Contributed Services	12,609		12,609
Net assets released from restrictions	67,743	- 67,743	-
Total Support	1,144,939	240,973	1,385,912
Revenues			
Program income	356,899		356,899
Interest income	2,665		2,665
Miscellaneous income	12,232		12,232
Total Revenue	371,796	-	371,796
Total Support and Revenue	1,516,735	240,973	1,757,708
expenses			
Program services	1,659,156		1,659,156
General and administration	211,662		211,662
Total Expenses	1,870,818	-	1,870,818
Change in Net Assets	-354,083	240,973	-113,110
Capitalization of leasehold improvements	11,897		11,897
NET ASSETS, Beginning of Year	3,760,389	127,743	3,888,132
NET ASSETS, End of Year	\$3,418,203	368,716	\$3,786,919

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businesses + corporations

American Express
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Chevy Chase Bank
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Double H Housing Corporation
Grew Management
Griffin, Farmer & Murphy
MEE Productions
New Jersey & H Street, LP
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Politics and Prose
Union Center Plaza Managment

churches + religious organizations

Alleyne A.M.E. Zion Church
Copley Crypt Community
Friends of Jesus
Georgetown University Jesuit Community
Gonzaga Jesuit Community
Holy Trinity Church
Society of the Sacred Heart

organizations

Children and Youth Investment Trust
Corporation
Georgetown University
National Council of Jewish Women
North Capitol Collaborative
Northwest Church Family Network, Inc
Northwest Settlement House
Providence Hospital
Public Allies
Sovereign Military Order of Malta
St. Ignatius Loyola Academy
United Planning Organization
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit
Authority
Watkins Elementary School

government agencies

Child and Family Services Administration
DC Area Health Education Center - AHEC
DC Department of Health
DC Department of Human Services
DC Department of Public Safety
Department of Justice

individuals

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