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# ANNUAL REPORT

**JULY 2020 - JUNE 2021** 

Dear Friends,

As we reflect back on the previous year, it is hard to fully comprehend the enormous impact that the COVID-19 pandemic had on all our lives, but in particular on the lives of our older adults. Connecticut lost over 10,000 residents to COVID-19 and over 9,000 of those lives lost were seniors over the age of 60.

The Stamford Senior Center (SSC), like so many other non-profits across the region, stepped in to ensure our most vulnerable citizens were provided with basic needs to keep them nourished, safe and connected, while they were forced to isolate in their homes. The SSC became a "senior center without walls," bringing vital programs and services into seniors' homes, delivering meals and groceries to those who had no way of getting food, conducting drive through lunches, virtual fitness and educational classes via Zoom and so much more.

In early 2021, we had renewed hope that the end of the pandemic was near, with the emergency FDA approval of the vaccines. The SSC staff and volunteers sprung into action helping thousands of seniors schedule appointments and ensure access to the COVID vaccines.

On July 1, 2021, after 15 long months of drive through lunches, virtual classes, home delivered meals and prolonged social distancing, we welcomed our members back into the Center. Today, the Center is once again thriving with seniors who have a renewed sense of hope and optimism as they reconnect with old acquaintances and forge new friendships. The hybrid model of in-person and virtual programming that was born out of the pandemic continues. Today we are providing onsite programs, streaming live classes via zoom and continuing our outdoor classes in the park. This model allows us to serve Stamford's diverse senior community, wherever they feel safe and comfortable.



Christina delivering groceries



Diane serving lasagna to our seniors

This pandemic continues to push us to find new ways of engaging the senior community, forging new partnerships and strengthening our resolve to our older adult residents through this pandemic and beyond. We could not have done all of this without the incredible support of this community – dedicated volunteers and generous donors like you. The phrase, "we are stronger together" is not just a tag line but a true testament to what a small non-profit like the SSC can accomplish when we all come together.

On behalf of the thousands of older adults we served this past year, we thank you for your support and wish you a new year filled with good health and prosperity.

Kindest Regards,

Christina Crain, MSW Executive Director

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# FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

### REVENUE

# 39% CITY OF STAMFORD CASH GRANT 27% IN-KIND SUPPORT (CITY OF STAMFORD) 20% DONATIONS/ FUNDRAISING 3% MEMBERSHIP DUES 1.5% PROGRAM REVENUE .75% INVESTMENT INCOME



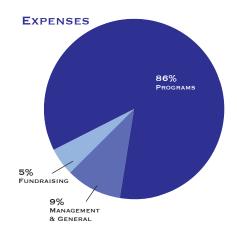
### **EXPENSES**

### Year-End Functional Expenses:

Total Expenses	\$577,701
Programs	.\$498,928 (86%)
Management & General	\$49,621 (9%)
Fundraising	\$29,152 (5%)

### **Program Expenses Itemized:**

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Physical Fitness\$110,217	(22%)
Educational\$92,177	(18%)
Cultural/Social Events \$93,318	(19%)
Outreach & Information	
and Assistance	(18%)
Hispanic Program\$112,159	(22%)





## IN FISCAL YEAR 2021, THE SSC PROVIDED:

### **PROGRAMS**





Hour of lifelong learning programs to 207 seniors





### **NUTRITION**





Grab & Go Lunches provided to 232 seniors

### **OUTREACH**



Units of Outreach to assist over 8,000 seniors to get their COVID vaccines

"To the Stamford Senior Center: thank you for all your support and reassurances you have given us this past year. You have provided us with safe times & activities to be together. We appreciate all your efforts." – Carolyn

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### MISSION

To provide affordable opportunities for older adults in the greater Stamford area to be active and healthy in mind and body and remain connected to the community in a welcoming, safe and diverse environment.