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Annual Report



from our president & executive director

IT IS WITH GREAT PRIDE AND APPRECIATION THAT WE SHARE THIS REPORT OF INSPIRATION CORPORATION'S PAST YEAR WITH YOU. WITH YOUR SUPPORT, INSPIRATION CORPORATION TOOK A NUMBER OF STRATEGIC STEPS IN 2005 TO BUILD ITS CAPACITY TO HELP INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES AFFECTED BY HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY TO IMPROVE THEIR LIVES.

We joined forces with an esteemed partner. To create greater possibilities for men and women facing homelessness in Chicago, Inspiration Corporation and The Employment Project carefully planned and executed a merger. The Employment Project is an 11-year-old organization that brings its Chicagoans make vital connections. We would like to commend the extraordinary staff and board members of Project for their dedication and vision in shaping our organization.

We created two new facilities that opened in October 2005. Inspiration Corporation completed renovations at our new site for The Living Room Cafe at 806 E. 64th St., to better serve homeless adults and children in Woodlawn, with private offices for case management and significantly improved facilities. And we readied our new Cafe Too restaurant and training facility at 4715 N. Sheridan Rd. in Uptown, where we welcome the public

for inspired meals seven days a week. Both facilities allow Inspiration Corporation to enrich and expand its service offerings and strengthen the social infrastructure of these communities.

While pursing these initiatives, Inspiration outstanding career counseling, training and Corporation and The Employment Project placement services - and citywide reach - into continued to provide clinical, employment our service array. The Employment Project's and housing services to more than 1,600 services complement and enrich Inspiration individuals, and to play a leadership role in Corporation's restaurant skills training, and implementing Chicago's 10-Year Plan to End its Community Voice Mail program offers free Homelessness, now in its third year. Members message-retrieval service to help phoneless of Inspiration Corporation's management team hold leadership positions in the Chicago Continuum of Care, the body overseeing the Plan, as well as in the Chicago Jobs Council Inspiration Corporation and The Employment and the Partnership to End Homelessness. Your support enables Inspiration

> Corporation to offer its rich array of services and resources for Chicagoans seeking a way out of homelessness, and to help lay the foundation for a Chicago where housing is available to all. Thank you for helping us

preserve and share the Inspiration!

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