



# NO BOUNDARIES COALITION

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## OF CENTRAL WEST BALTIMORE

**DECONSTRUCTING  
BOUNDARIES.  
REBUILDING  
COMMUNITY.**



**ANNUAL  
REPORT  
2018-2019**



## » FROM ASHIAH PARKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Supporters,

Congratulations to No Boundaries Coalition, our members, staff, board and the communities that we serve as we head into another fiscal year. It is a pleasure to serve an organization whose mission is to bring together the wonderful residents of 21217.

No Boundaries has stood with our neighborhoods on many issues of change and fought to continue our quest for accountability from our elected partners. Our tradition of service will continue as we go into 2020.

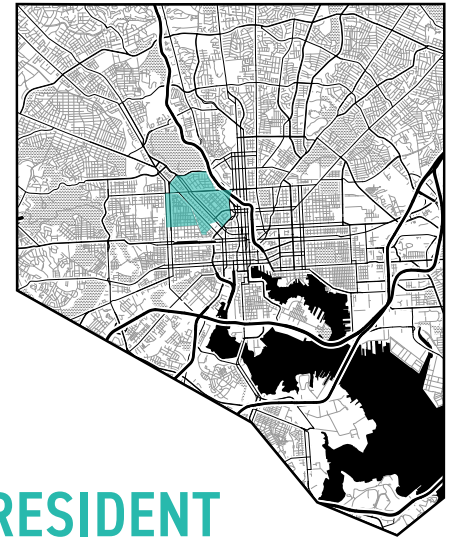
We have embarked on important work this year that will position us for success in 2020 and for many years to come. No Boundaries will diligently work to ensure that Central West Baltimore is properly counted in the census process, elects the next slate of local government with excitement, serves our community fresh affordable foods in abundance, produces adult and youth community leaders and continues to fight for clean, safe neighborhoods with our partners.

As the Executive Director, I am prepared to serve and lead in every area that has been suggested. I am dedicated to ensuring that the mission of our founders never goes away but is flexible enough to be relevant in our ever changing times.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to working with you in 2020 and beyond.

In service to you,

  
Ashiah Parker



## OUR COMMUNITY

The No Boundaries Coalition community includes everyone who lives, works, or worships in the Central West Baltimore neighborhoods of Sandtown, Druid Heights, Upton, Madison Park, Penn North, Reservoir Hill, and Bolton Hill.

## OUR MISSION

The No Boundaries Coalition is a resident-led advocacy organization building a unified and empowered Central West Baltimore across the boundaries of race, class, and neighborhood.

## FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

As recently elected Board President, I am excited to serve No Boundaries Coalition as we continue to expand our reach into the community of Central West Baltimore. As we move into 2020, we are actively engaging in strategic planning, partnering with the community to see how we can better meet their needs and clearly defining our short and long term organizational goals.

What started as a community block party in 2008 has grown into a nonprofit that advocates for the members of our community, trains youth to become community organizers, provides access to clean healthy food for our neighbors and engages in civic culture.

I am grateful for the backing and generosity of our board members, all of whom are deeply committed to our cause and reinforce my optimism for the future. Our job as board members is made easier thanks to the talented group of professionals at NBC including our leader, Executive Director Ashiah Parker. The team at NBC cultivates a culture of continuous improvement and tirelessly dedicates itself to maximizing positive outcomes for Central West Baltimore. Having such an accomplished leader allows us to focus on our core mission, knowing that the health, stability, and vitality of the organization are under great care.

Finally, I want to offer gratitude to our friends, sponsors, supporters, partners and volunteers. Every day, you help to bring the mission of No Boundaries Coalition to fruition.

Sincerely,

  
Lenora Dawson

# OUR PROGRAMS

**50**  
VOLUNTEERS

**1843**  
CALLED  
VOTERS

**361**  
KNOCKED  
DOORS

**69** PEOPLE  
DRIVEN TO THE  
POLLS

## ⌘ VOTER TURNOUT

Voter representation is central to ensure a neighborhood has the power to initiate change. Through the direct voter education and encouragement efforts of the No Boundaries Coalition voter turnout doubled between 2014 and 2018 in the neighborhoods we serve. By hosting parties at the polls, providing rides to early voting, and ensuring our community events were centered on encouraging voter turnout we inspired people to engage civically and understand the inherent value of their vote.

**\$42K**  
IN STIPENDS TO  
**20 YOUTH**

## ⌘ YOUTH PROGRAM

Baltimore City youth are our future. It's critical we invest resources in their development. No Boundaries hinges on neighbors being informed of our efforts. Connecting our neighbors to our initiatives means that we must go to them directly. It's not enough to share information through traditional channels like social media, email, or flyers distributed in the neighborhood.

To address this challenge we hired 20 youth organizers to assist with our outreach efforts in the community. Youth designed outreach initiatives based on issues they cared about. They hosted a youth assembly with over 80 participants and participated in two service projects that furthered their understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the neighborhoods we serve. With our assistance, three youth leaders participated in a community organizing training in New Orleans.

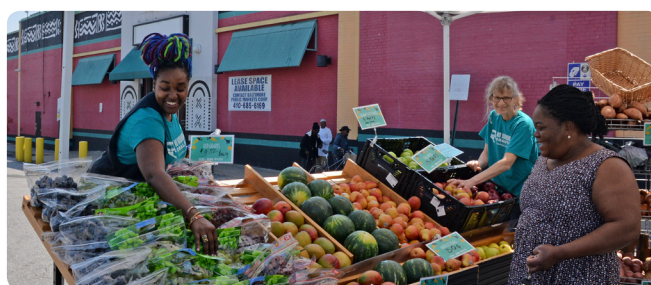
If we want our neighborhoods to thrive, it is critical we invest in Baltimore youth and provide them with the skills to build a better Baltimore.

✓ Ashiah Parker recognized for voter organizing work in Forbes.



## » FRESH AT THE AVENUE

With 8 out of the top 15 top causes of death in 21217 being food caused or mitigate, availability for fresh food is often taken for granted. 85% of residents in our community live in healthy food priority areas, experiencing food apartheid-a hyper-saturation of destructive foods and predatory marketing, and a blatantly discriminatory corporate controlled food system that results in our communities suffering, according to the National Black Food and Justice Alliance. Fresh at the Avenue is about restoring the injustice that occurs when families lack access to high quality, affordable and culturally relevant food. We are creating a place where residents are given the dignity of food choice in a setting that reflects the value of the people served regardless of income level.



**\$50K**  
IN FRESH FOOD  
SOLD

**\$11,270**  
IN DOUBLE DOLLARS

**6695**  
RESIDENTS FROM  
21217 SERVED

**50**  
VOLUNTEERS

**1000**  
VOLUNTEER HOURS

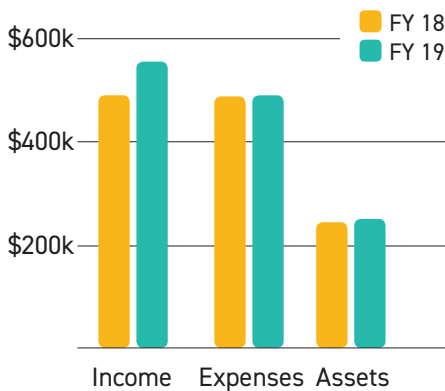




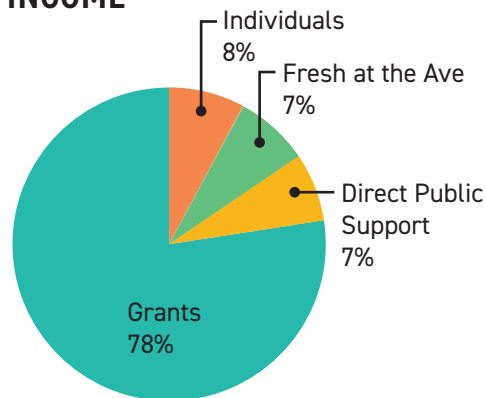
## OUR GROWTH

This year No Boundaries achieved a significant financial milestone and generated over half a million dollars in revenue. This marks a 13% growth in revenue over the previous fiscal year. In 2019, No Boundaries maintained its track record of responsible growth and financial stability. New revenue will support the continued growth of our programs, increasing the number of neighbors we can serve in a year, and adding capacity that allows us to achieve greater impact for our advocacy initiatives.

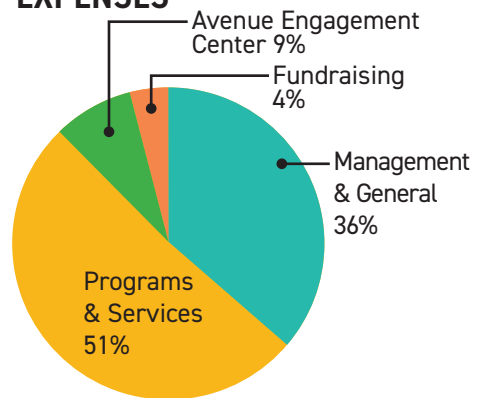
### 2018 VS 2019



### INCOME



### EXPENSES



**13%**  
GROWTH IN  
REVENUE



### MAJOR FUNDERS

Goldseker Foundation  
Fund For Change  
Catholic Campaign for Human Development  
AARP Foundation  
Baltimore Community Foundation  
Open Society Institute-Baltimore  
Baltimore ReCast  
Clayton Baker Trust  
Baltimore Children's and Youth Fund

### LOOKING FORWARD

The future of No Boundaries Coalition is that we will walk in success only with the help of you! In 2020, No Boundaries is calling all 21217 neighborhood organizations, volunteers, residents, sponsors and funders to join us as we continue the fight to make a more empowered Central West Baltimore. In return for supporting No Boundaries' mission, we offer an organization that is open to service, sharing of resources and standing in solidarity with our coalition members. In order to hold our government officials accountable, we must start by banding together and working towards the tough issues in our neighborhoods. Together we turn potential into progress. Organizing neighbors to take the Census and vote in local elections will ensure that West Baltimore counts. Providing fresh food with dignity shows our neighbors they deserve health. Training youth as community organizers means the next generation has the tools to carry this work forward. Through the generous support of our donors and volunteers, we can imagine a future without limits. We can imagine a Baltimore with No Boundaries.

Learn more about our organization or make your tax-deductible donation at our website [www.noboundariescoalition.com](http://www.noboundariescoalition.com)

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