Our History:

Community Friendship, Inc. (CFI) is a nonprofit comprehensive provider of recovery-based mental health services assisting adults in Metropolitan Atlanta. Originating in 1962 as a drop-in social center for adults with chronic mental illnesses, CFI incorporated in 1970 and has grown to offer a comprehensive array of services in the psychiatric rehabilitation approach. For over 45 years, CFI has been committed to supporting an individual’s recovery from mental illness so that each person can lead a contributing, integrated, and self-directed life.

Our Mission:

The mission of Community Friendship, Inc. is to provide a supportive community for people whose mental illness prevents them from participating in community life, employment and relationships.

Our Vision:

The vision of Community Friendship is full access to community life through achievement of one’s potential and removal of barriers.
Message from Leadership

For Community Friendship, 2016 was a year of reflection and gratitude. It was an incredible year for us—one we are proud to have ended with strong momentum. This year, we assisted 75 individuals with securing stable employment, connected over 150 homeless men and women to emergency and transitional housing and provided 400 consumers with daily and weekly transportation assistance to ensure they had continued access to recovery-based services.

While CFI has grown significantly since originating as a drop-in social center in 1962, we are still committed to our mission of being a supportive community for people living with mental illnesses. Since our inception, CFI has proudly served thousands of consumers within our Residential, Work Opportunities, Homeless Outreach, Peer Support, Case Management and Day Services programs.

As we prepare for 2017, our hope is to have another successful year helping consumers achieve their personal & professional goals. We would like to personally thank our staff, donors, partners and volunteers for your ongoing support and dedication to CFI. Without you all, we would not be able to fulfill our mission. Most importantly, we would like to give a special thanks to our consumers for their confidence in Community Friendship on their journeys to recovery.

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DAY PROGRAM

100% of consumers enrolled in Day Program reported they were satisfied with CFI Services

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

In FY 16, 60 consumers obtained new employment

$643 is the average monthly earned income of employed consumers

68% of consumers have been employed for over 180 days

HOMELESS OUTREACH

In FY 16, the CFI Homeless Outreach team provided 544 outreach assessments and enrolled 145 clients into PATH case management.

108 clients were connected to mental health services

127 clients obtained housing (emergency, temporary, or permanent)

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Over 300 residents were served in CFI’s residential programs.
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REVENUE BREAKDOWN

- Government contracts, fees and grants: $5,977,081 94%
- Foundation, individual and in-kind contributions: $327,324 4%
- Fees (non-government) and other income: $77,596 1%

EXPENSE BREAKDOWN

- Direct Care Expenses (Client Benefits, Program Supplies, Transportation): $5,207,825 79%
- Administration (Salaries, Benefits, Trainings): $749,447 11%
- Operating Expenses (Rent, Utilities, Supplies): $640,220 10%

SOURCES OF CONTRIBUTIONS

- In-Kind Donations: $215,033 66%
- Corporate and Foundation Relations: $84,517 26%
- Individual Gifts: $27,784 8%
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