

# CHICAGO HYDE PARK VILLAGE



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NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

# Annual Report

March 9, 2021



It was almost exactly a year ago when the Village was in the midst of preparations for our Annual Meeting when we suddenly decided to cease all in person functions. We never did hold that Annual Meeting.

Responding to the pandemic has been tricky. No one anticipated the lock downs, social distancing or the fear and suffering that Covid would inflict. There is no template for balancing community building with preserving precarious personal health.

Zoom became our best friend. Daily exercise classes on Zoom. Drop ins on Zoom. Board meetings on Zoom. The occasional Zoom migraine.

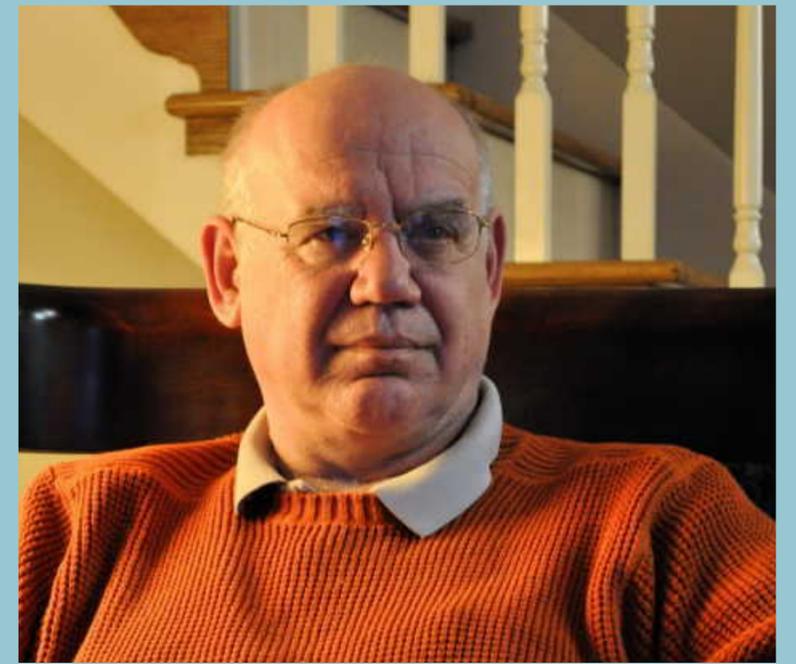
Very carefully we began to offer some in person services. We started by offering our full members rides to medical appointments late last summer. Then we re-instated our one-on-one program, Village Visitors, for those people who felt comfortable resuming socially-distanced in-person activities. Next, our courageous band of volunteer drivers offered all members rides to vaccinations because it is the right thing to do for our members & community.

We don't know what is next, although vaccinations & declining infection rates are reasons for hope. Yet no matter what the future holds the Village could not be in better hands than it is now. It would take a very long letter to acknowledge the many volunteers, members, and board members who kept us not just afloat but moving forward this past year. Each of you were priceless and essential for our community. Thanks a thousand times.

We are fortunate to have as our staff two of the most diligent, hard working people that I have ever met. Michelle Dassinger and Dorothy Pytel have gone above and beyond this past year maintaining and growing the Village. The Village would be much diminished without them. From all of us, thank you Michelle and Dorothy.

Here's to not doing 2020 again and a safe, healthy, and social future for us all.

Sincerely,  
Gary Worcester, Board President



**Gary Worcester, Board  
President**

Dear CHPV Members & Friends,

What a year it's been! The programming suspension that started a year ago continues, but in the past few weeks we have given 22 rides to CHPV members to receive Covid vaccines -- a hopeful sign that we will soon be able to gather together in person.

Shortly after suspending regular programming last year, we established a virtual schedule, paired each CHPV member with another member-volunteer for telephone check-ins, and matched members in need of help procuring groceries or medications with a volunteer shopper. We also offered individual tech support for anyone needing assistance adapting to virtual programming and piloted the use of tablets designed specifically for seniors to be sure everyone who was interested had the opportunity to connect to virtual programming.

Once this initial response was underway, the staff and a few volunteers got to work revamping the website and establishing Dementia Friendly Hyde Park, which is the beginning of a larger, multi-sector effort to make the Hyde Park area welcoming to and supportive of people living with dementia and their caregivers.

Despite the pandemic, CHPV came a long way in realizing our vision of an age friendly community in 2020, with more to come in 2021! This year we will continue to be Core members of the Community Programs Accelerator at the UChicago Office of Civic Engagement and partners with the SHARE Network. We could not do our work without their financial & organizational support. We are most grateful for them.

Finally, many, many thanks to Gary Worcester for generously serving as board president for the past three years and to Inagrace Dietterich for stepping into the role!

Best Regards,  
Michelle Dassinger, Executive Director



In 2020 we hosted **over 400**  
educational, support, and social **PROGRAMS.**

**Drop-in Lunch Program Topics:**

- Understanding Hospice and Palliative Care with Dr. Shellie Williams
- Celebrating the UChicago Folk Festival Nina Helstein
- Dementia Friendly Communities with Tessa McEwan
- A Taste of Gilbert & Sullivan with Nancy Levner
- Fostering Creativity with Rebekah Younger
- Let's Haiku Together! with Terry Stumpf and Barbara Norrish
- Sleep Savvy with Randi Kant
- Avoiding Financial Fraud with Danielle McCain
- Living with Chronic Ailments with UROCK
- All about PACE with Edward Madden
- Understanding CBD with Dr. Harriet de Wit
- Garden Tour hosted by Sarah Dassinger
- Choral Music with Mollie Stone
- Art in & around Hyde Park with Spencer Bibbs
- Medical Alert Systems with Tech Enhanced Life
- 2020 Elections with Betsy Rubin of Indivisible
- UCPD with Deputy Commander Craig Nance
- CHPV Arts Festival
- Care Management with Jacqueline Boyd
- Folk Music Sing Along with Andy Teitelman
- Poetry Appreciation with Katherine Litwin Poetry Foundation
- A Conversation with Sara Paretsky



**On-going programs:**

Book Club (with Hyde Park Historical Society)  
Caregiver's Support (with SHARE)  
Declutterer's Support  
Dining Out Together  
Drop-in Lunch  
Meditation with Alice Dan  
Men's Group  
Strength & Flexibility Training  
Tai Chi  
Tech Cafe (with Tech Savvy Friends)  
Women's Group  
Yoga for Balance

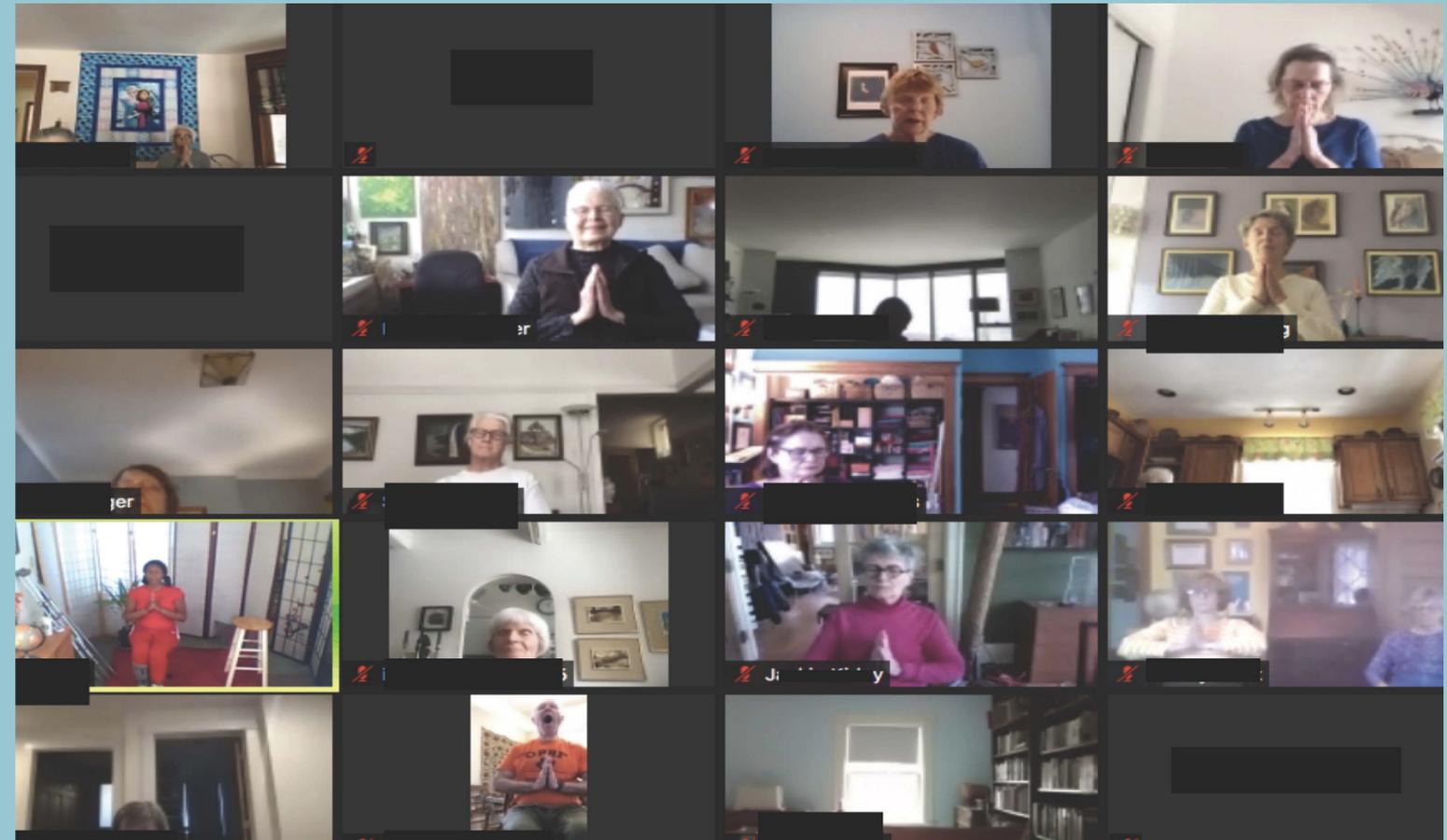
87 participants spent **2112**  
**hours exercising** with  
CHPV

*Practicing yoga helped me get through several falls without injury. -Laura K.*

*My thighs might be stronger than they've been in 40 years! Exercise anchors my sense of well-being. -Dorothy S.*

*CHPV exercise isn't about just sitting here for an hour. It really transfers to life. -Judy M.*

*Having discussions after class with others during the long, cold winter really helped me stay connected. -Reeva S.*



Yoga students finishing class

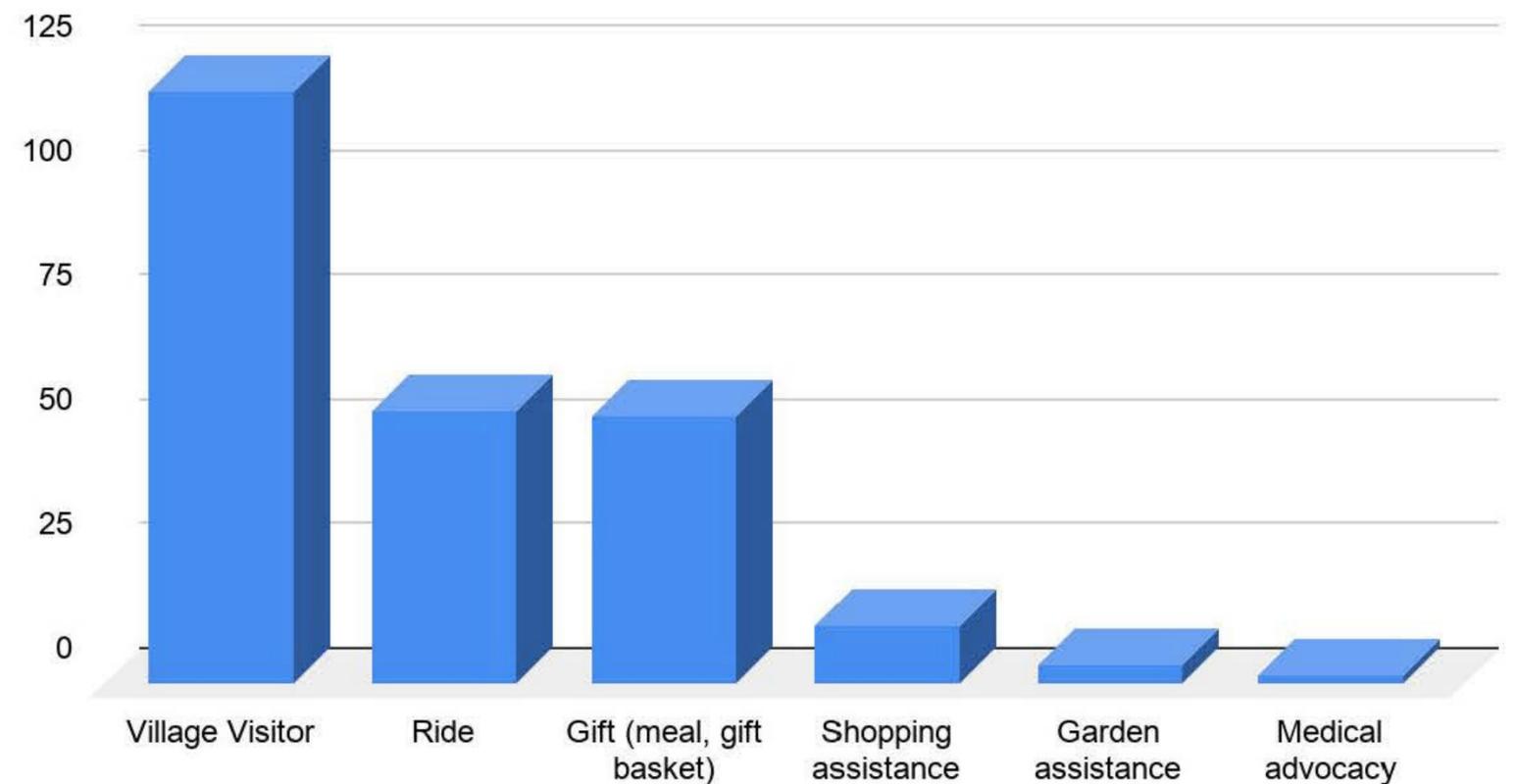


# In 2020, CHPV volunteers fulfilled 246 service requests.

- 67 Active Volunteers reported 1597 hours in 2020
- 77% of volunteers are also CHPV members
- 40% of volunteer work was direct service
- 60% was admin/committees



Types of services provided by CHPV in 2020



# Volunteer HONOR ROLL



Thank you to all of our generous volunteers!

*This list shows those who reported 15+ hours in 2020.*

Susan Alitto (104)	Laura Kracke (25)
Callie Alton* (20)	Rita McCarthy (16)
Lesly Bloch* (40)	Joanne Michalski (51)
Jane Comiskey (41)	Jay Mulberry* (68)
Sarah Dassinger (34)	Barbara Norrish (52)
Sylvia Dawson (121)	Maya Pytel (23)
Steven Fox (76)	Elizabeth Shen* (32)
Jay Franke (49)	Ole Schenk (17)
Gratitude Project/UC Lab Schools (21)	Dorothy Strang (20)
Gerald Gripshover (21)	Terry Stumpf (156)
Kathy Huff (200)	Laura Voss Allen (20)
Margaret Huyck (116)	Gary Worcester (75)

(##) indicates how many hours they reported last year

\*indicates Village Visitor volunteer



*"I have really enjoyed my time with Filomena. I introduced two friends to Filomena when I left Chicago in March 2020 [due to the pandemic] and they stayed connected through the summer when I was home in California. My friends started walking her dog regularly and helping her around the house. I know they have gained much from their relationship with Filomena and I wanted to let you know that CHPV's impact ripples out beyond what you all can capture/measure."*

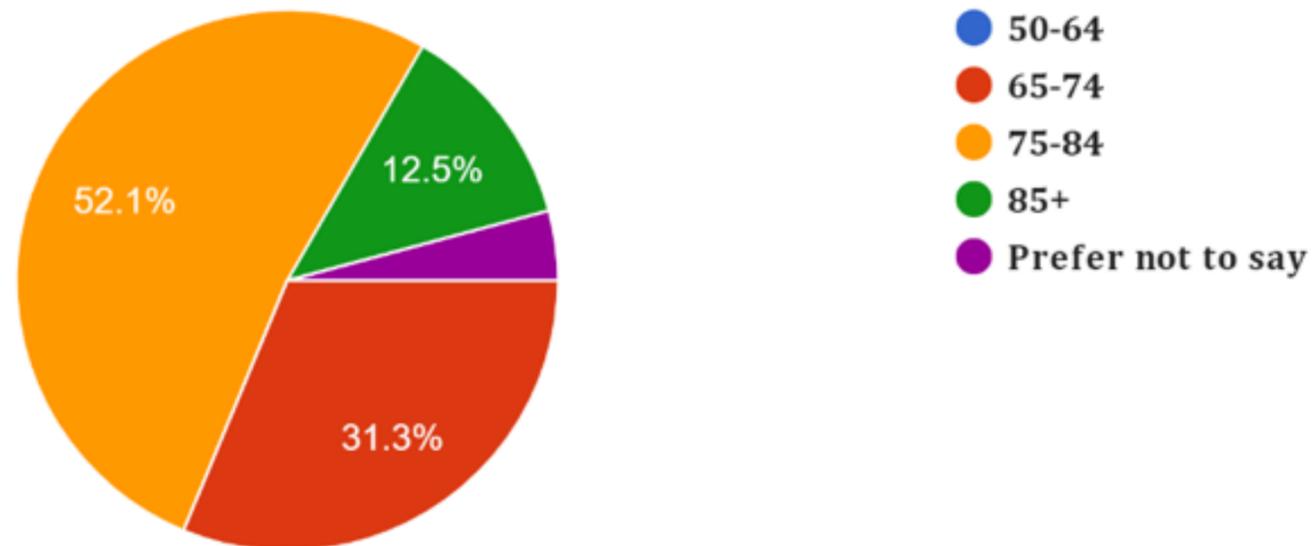
*-Elizabeth S. (U of C student & CHPV Village Visitor)*

# MEMBERSHIP

- 174 Members in 7 zip codes
- 96% in 60615 or 60637 (in/near Hyde Park)
- 79% are Associate Members
- 22 new members in 2020

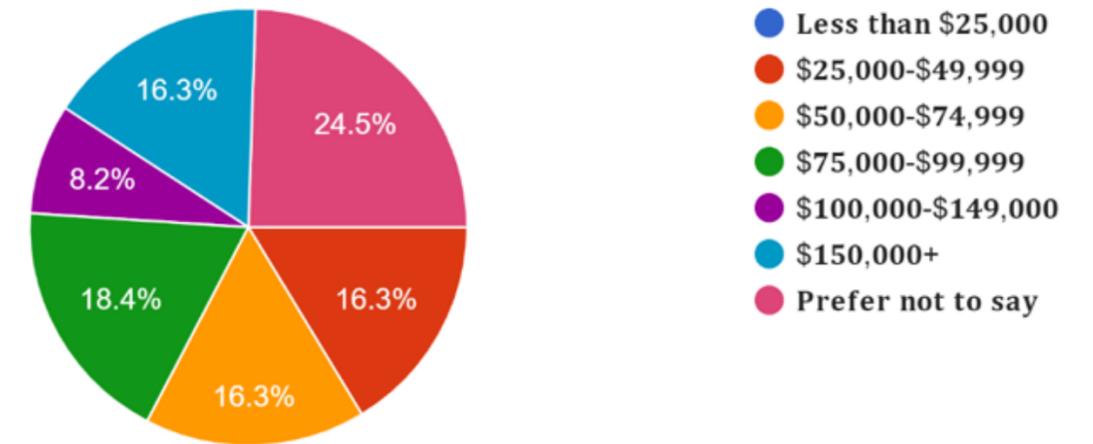
## Which age bracket do you fall into?

48 responses



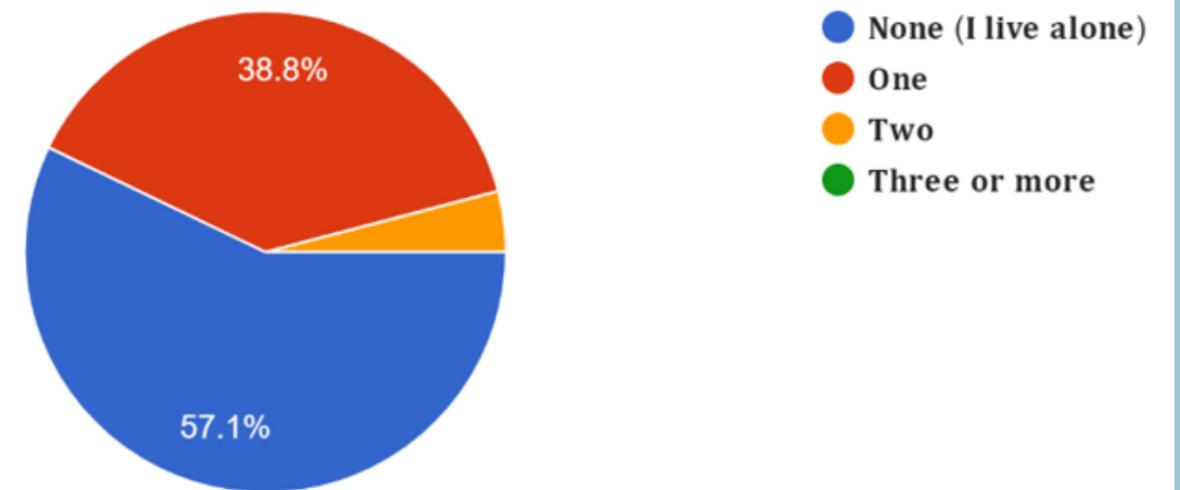
## If you are willing to share, what annual income bracket best describes you?

49 responses



## How many people (other than yourself) live in your household?

49 responses



\*Responses from a member survey 09/2020



**Dementia  
Friendly  
America®**

*"The neighborhood [of Hyde Park] has the chance to set a precedent for Chicago neighborhoods looking to support their residents with memory loss. You're the vanguards. You are setting the stage for what it means to be a dementia-friendly community."*

- Tom Doyle of the Alzheimer's Association Early Stage Advisory Group at the DFHP Kick-off Event

**CHPV led the effort to designate Hyde Park as the first Dementia Friendly Community in Chicago. To achieve this, we collaborated with 12 local organizations and 5 elected officials.**

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We mobilized **21** people to become Dementia Friends - **12%** of all Dementia Friends in Chicago!

We established an Advisory Committee of family members and caregivers and an Action Team of partnering organizations.

**Check [chpv.org/dfhp](http://chpv.org/dfhp) for updates!**

# Website Refresh: When You Get Lemons, Make Lemonade!

*Our refreshed website*



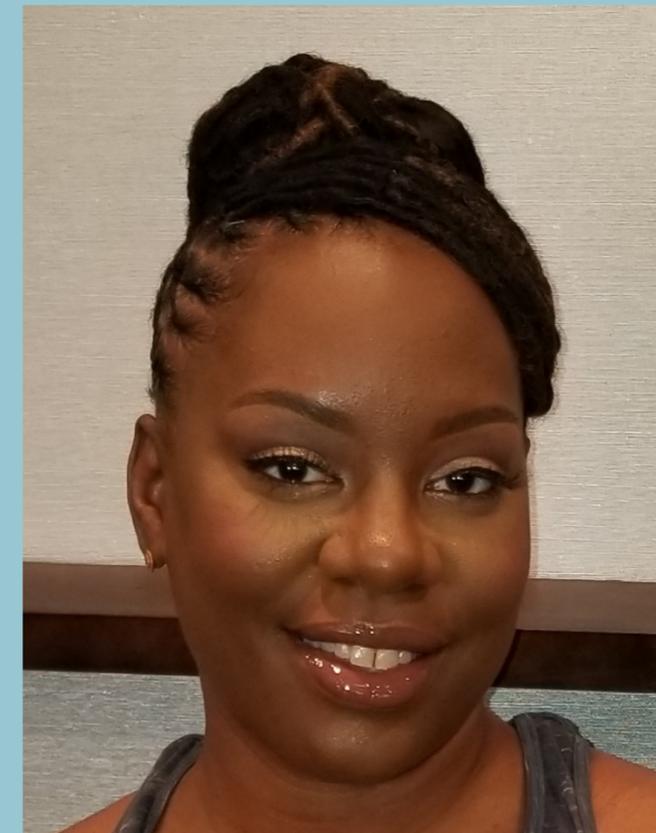
Covid hit everyone hard and made it difficult to do many things. At CHPV, we decided to turn a challenge into an opportunity. We spent several months researching other Villages across the United States to see what type of content our peer institutions provide on their websites. Our staff members and several dedicated volunteers participated in various training sessions to learn how to better utilize our website platform. Almost a year later, we have a completely new website that is attractive, user-friendly, content rich, and full of links to resources. Soon, volunteers and members will be able to sign up for services on our website! So out of lemons we made delicious lemonade.

# Welcome to CHPV's four new board members!



**Sue (Shujie) Hellie** lived in Hyde Park for over 20 years, while raising her now grown children. Sue immigrated from China in 1996, after studying medicine at Bethune Medical University and working at Tianjin Medical University. She continued her education at the University of Chicago, receiving an MBA from the Booth School. She has worked with AbbVie and Vertex in drug development, franchise strategy development and execution, product launches, brand management, medical strategy, field medical effectiveness and product life cycle management. She and her husband, James Herdegen, M.D., currently live in Riverside, IL.

**Monica Long** is a Clinical Research Nurse Educator with the University of Chicago Medical Center. With over 20 years of nursing experience, she provides medical education for the workforce through the Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program of the Southside Healthy Aging Resource Experts (SHARE) program. She has a Bachelor's degree in Nursing, a Master's degree in Nursing Education and is a Certified Dementia Practitioner. She grew up on the South Side of Chicago and now lives in Glenwood, IL.





**Dottie Jeffries** has been an active CHPV member & volunteer for several years. She brings a strong background of work with not-for-profits, particularly in media outreach and placement. She currently operates a marketing firm and serves as a consultant with non-profit organizations. Dottie spent a decade doing museum retail development, including successful work at the Museum of Science and Industry. She also worked with the American Psychoanalytic Association in New York as Director of Public Affairs/Public Relations.

**Charles Newsome** is residential and commercial retail developer. He is the president and CEO of Video Connection and CCC Development, Inc. He has been an entrepreneur for over 30 years. He is the president of the board for several organizations including Kimbark Plaza. He is a member of the 4th Ward TIF Advisory Committee, SSA 61 of Hyde Park, and the 5th Ward Jackson Park Advistory Committee. His hobbies include golf, horseback riding, and listening to classical & jazz music. He has an AD degree in computer science.



# Financials

In 2020 we received 2 new unrestricted grants and two grants from the CPA: a capacity building grant awarded to Core partner organizations and an emergency Covid response grant.

SHARE absorbed a large part of increased exercise expenses. The overall 2020 surplus was due to not adding staff during the pandemic. Balance will be spent in 2021.

Our 2020 year end appeal brought in a 70% increase in monetary donations over 2019.

We hope to have a fundraiser in 2021, but if we are unable to we have enough in reserve to cover costs.

## Chicago Hyde Park Village NFP Statement of Financial Position As of December 31, 2020

	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Bank Accounts	
CHP CK Village Checking 5651	57,327.60
Hyde Park Business Money Market	124,014.33
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$ 181,341.93</b>
Accounts Receivable	
11000 Accounts Receivable	32,483.37
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>\$ 32,483.37</b>
Other Current Assets	
12120 Prepaid Expense	2,631.92
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,631.92</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 216,457.22</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 216,457.22</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable	
20000 Accounts Payable	995.24
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	<b>\$ 995.24</b>
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	
Federal Taxes (941/944)	1,400.53
IL Income Tax	250.43
IL Unemployment Tax	84.00
<b>Total Payroll Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 1,734.96</b>
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 1,734.96</b>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 2,730.20</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 2,730.20</b>
<b>Equity</b>	
32000 Retained Earnings	146,959.41
Net Revenue	66,767.61
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$ 213,727.02</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 216,457.22</b>

## CHICAGO HYDE PARK VILLAGE NFP 2020 Actual & 2021 Budget

	Actual	2020 Budget	2021 Change
<b>Revenues:</b>			
The Elizabeth Louise Smith Fund	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$0
U Chicago Covid Fund	7,500	0	-7,500
Accelerator Support	25,000	25,000	0
Executive Director Grant	20000	10000	-10,000
Donations	\$29,708	\$31,000	1,292
Donations-Yoga	3,900	4,988	1,088
Sponsorships	500	2,500	2,000
Foundations	5,000	0	-5,000
<b>Fundraising</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>8,000</b>
Less Fundraising Expense	-1,111	-4,000	-2,889
<b>Net Fundraising Revenue</b>	<b>-1,111</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>5,111</b>
<b>Membership Fees:</b>			
Associate Membership	12,640	13,000	360
Full Memberships	14,917	15,000	83
<b>Total Memberships</b>	<b>27,557</b>	<b>28,000</b>	<b>443</b>
<b>Programs</b>	<b>2,436</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>1,964</b>
Program-Yoga	1,525	3,000	1,475
Interest Income	529	600	71
<b>SHARE Grant</b>	<b>27,821</b>	<b>26,817</b>	<b>-1,004</b>
SHARE Overhead Contrib.	2,226	2,145	-81
<b>Total SHARE</b>	<b>30,046</b>	<b>28,962</b>	<b>-1,084</b>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>177,591</b>	<b>167,450</b>	<b>-10,141</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
<b>Staff/Personal costs</b>	<b>32,806</b>	<b>35,774</b>	<b>2,968</b>
CHPV Director	10,159	12,062	1,904
Project Coordinator	0	0	0
Staff Addition	4,626	5,147	521
Payroll taxes	1,773	1,500	-273
Workmen's com	150	25,668	25,518
Staff Addition	49,513	80,151	30,638
<b>Total Staff/Personal costs</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>350</b>
Dues	1,875	2,250	375
Accounting	1,418	2,760	1,342
Fees	1,407	1,500	94
Insurance	1,737	2,300	563
Supplies/Postage	80	2,000	1,920
Professional Dev. Expenses	8,842	9,272	430
Rent (office and BOD meetings)	778	1,000	222
Telephone/Internet	16,787	22,082	5,295
<b>Total Office/Admin.</b>	<b>2,345</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>1,155</b>
<b>Event Expenses</b>	<b>7,725</b>	<b>9,900</b>	<b>2,175</b>
SHARE Programs	3,500	0	-3,500
Yoga	13,570	13,400	-170
Rental	2,796	25,000	22,204
<b>Total Program Expense</b>	<b>27,789</b>	<b>26,817</b>	<b>-972</b>
Accelerator Grant Expense	110,455	167,450	56,995
SHARE Expenses	\$67,136	\$0	-\$67,136
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$67,136</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>-\$67,136</b>
<b>Net Surplus</b>	<b>\$67,136</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>-\$67,136</b>

# Thank you to all of our donors!

## **\$5,000 and above**

The Judith & Edwin Cohen  
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The Elizabeth Louise Smith  
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## **\$1,000 - \$4,999**

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John & Josie Disterhoft

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Gary Worcester

## **\$500 - \$999**

Elizabeth Asmis

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## **\$250 - \$499**

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***The following individuals were honored with donations in their honor or memory:***

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Dorothy Baker  
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Cindy Pardo  
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Ozie Tucker



***The following individuals made donations in honor or in memory of someone:***

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Marcia Cozzi

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Marilyn Daane  
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# Wisdom from the 2020 CHPV Members Survey...

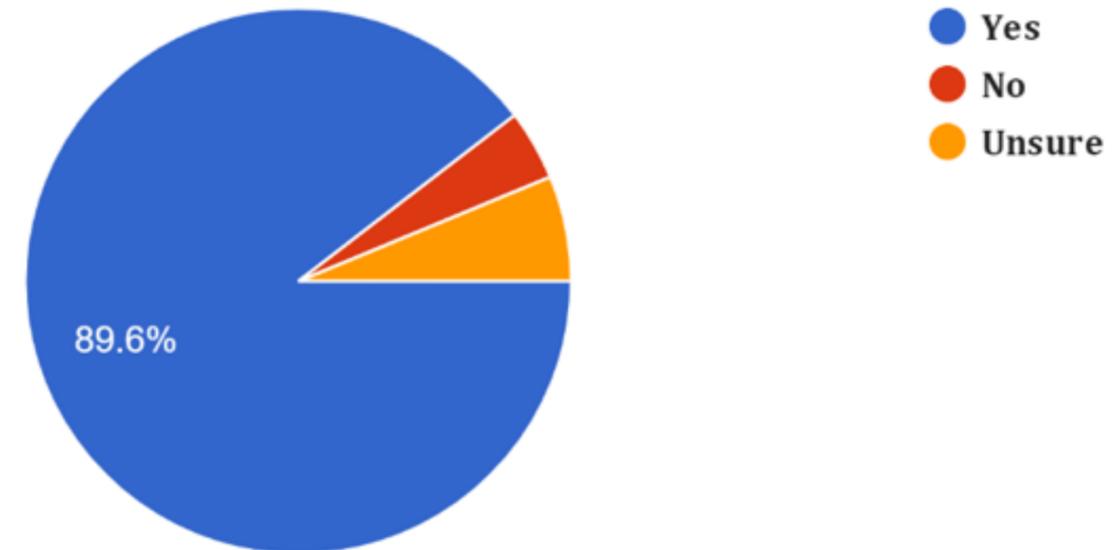
89.6% of respondents have friends who are not members of CHPV & 89.8% would recommend it to others ... ***tell your friends about CHPV!***

*"The Chicago Hyde Park Village ... is now one of the stand-out organizations of our neighborhood life. Thank you, Chicago Hyde Park Village!"*

- Jay Mulberry, CHPV member

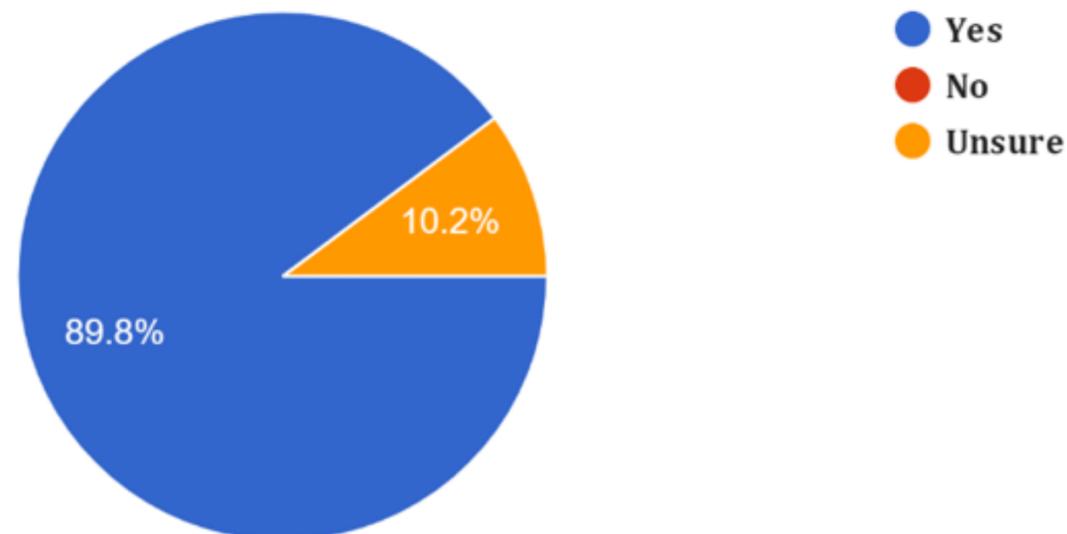
Do you have friends in and around Hyde Park that are NOT members of CHPV?

48 responses



Would you recommend CHPV to others?

49 responses





## Vision

*The Chicago Hyde Park Village aspires to create an age-friendly, inclusive, caring community which supports an enriched, healthy, socially connected experience of aging.*

## Mission

*The mission of Chicago Hyde Park Village is to create a community of "neighbors helping neighbors" on the south side of Chicago by providing opportunities for social engagement, educational programs, and facilitating volunteer support services and referrals to foster vibrant healthy aging.*

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