



**CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST (CCR)**

**TO:** Members of the City Council  
**FROM:** Councilmember Keith Blocker  
**COPIES TO:** T.C. Broadnax, City Manager; Mark Lauzier, Assistant City Manager; Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant to the City Manager; Elizabeth Pauli, City Attorney; Executive Leadership Team; File  
**SUBJECT:** Tacoma Community House Capital Campaign  
**DATE:** November 10, 2016

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**ITEM/ISSUE PROPOSED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda at the earliest available meeting of the Study Session:

I respectfully ask for City Council concurrence to direct the City Manager to allocate funding in the amount of \$50,000.00 from the City Council Contingency Fund, to support the Tacoma Community House's Capital Campaign.

**BRIEF BACKGROUND:**

The Tacoma Community House has served the south Puget Sound region and Tacoma through education, employment, immigration, and advocacy since 1910. TCH aims to provide the highest quality of services to all individuals and is a valuable resource for immigrants, refugees, and residents seeking enrichment. By fostering self-sufficiency, participants gain the skills they need to transition out of poverty, navigate a new culture, and be successful.

TCH has provided 3,700 program services to 2,700 adults and youth from the US and over 90 other countries through its four core programs: basic education, employment preparation and placement, immigration assistance and citizenship classes, and client advocacy.


In 2015 alone Tacoma Community House provided 3,736 services through 16,201 volunteer hours, while serving clients from all over the world who speak more than 120 languages. In 2015, 220 TCH clients became US citizens.

**FUNDING REQUESTED:**

I would request the council consider an allocation of \$50,000.00 from the Council Contingency Fund towards the capital campaign so Tacoma Community House can continue its work to assist immigrants and refugees, while supporting Tacoma's Welcoming Cities initiative. The funding request is contingent on securing sufficient funds for the new facility to be completed, and would allow City staff to negotiate and execute an agreement for services with the terms and deliverables for the city's contribution.

Council Contingency Fund Biennial Budget Document is attached for your review.

**SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BY:**

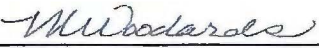
  
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Keith Blocker

**SUPPORTING COUNCILMEMBERS SIGNATURES (2 SIGNATURES ONLY)**

*(Signatures demonstrate support to initiate discussion and consideration of the subject matter by City Council for potential policy development and staff guidance/direction.)*

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# Fact Sheet



Uniting Communities Campaign  
TACOMA COMMUNITY HOUSE

**MISSION:** Tacoma Community House creates opportunities for immigrants and other community members in the Puget Sound region through comprehensive services focused on self-sufficiency, inclusion and advocacy.

**VISION:** We are a pathway to change leading to generations of self-sufficient people and a region welcoming of immigrants and refugees.



### EDUCATION

Basic Education for Adult Classes, English Language Acquisition Classes, Read2Me, and tutoring services.



### EMPLOYMENT

Adult and youth job preparation and placement services.



### IMMIGRATION

Citizenship Classes, assistance with Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), and an array of immigration services.



### ADVOCACY

Client Advocacy supporting victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and other crimes.

## 2015 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

SERVICE TOTALS

296 CLIENT ADVOCACY

444 READ2ME

505 EMPLOYMENT

688 EDUCATION

1,803 IMMIGRATION & CITIZENSHIP

3,736

Services provided to immigrants, refugees, and other community members.

16,201

The number of hours 305 active volunteers put in to support our programs.

IN 2015,  
220 TCH CLIENTS BECAME U.S. CITIZENS

## FUN FACTS



TCH participants speak more than **120** languages.

TCH has served people from over **90** different countries of origin.



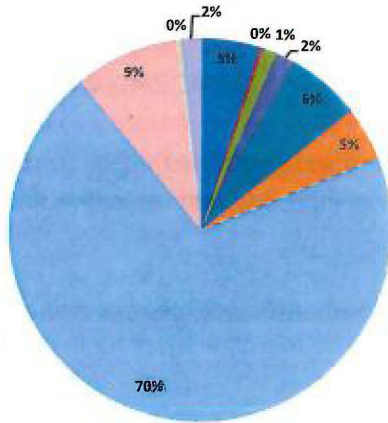
On **January 10, 1910** TCH began offering services to the community.



# FINANCIALS - FY15 ANNUAL BUDGET \$3,851,156

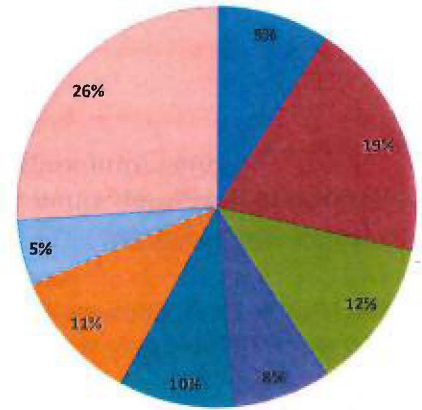
## 2015 Total Public Support & Revenue

- Contributions
- Special Events
- Church Support
- United Way
- Foundations
- Donated Facilities
- Contracts
- Program Service Fees
- Investment
- Miscellaneous



## 2015 Program Expenses

- Client Advocacy
- Education
- Employment
- Fundraising
- General
- Immigration
- Volunteer
- REACH Center



## MEET SHAKIRA

Shakira came to TCH fleeing an abusive relationship — she was afraid, spoke no English and was financially insecure having left her family and friends in Colombia. Shakira felt alone.

Being an ambitious woman, Shakira took English as a Second Language and Adult Basic Education classes at TCH. She excelled in all of her studies. She quickly learned English and soon after transferred to Highline Community College to further her education and pursue a career in Nursing. To help finance her education and care for her two sons, Shakira attained her license to start her own cleaning business. She hopes to expand the business by hiring others and managing the business while going to school. "I feel free. No one is controlling me or being abusive. I am not afraid and I speak English now!"

Four years ago, Shakira didn't know how to speak English, didn't have a driver's license, didn't have a job and wasn't going to school. Today, Shakira knows how to speak English, owns her own business and is going to college. "Today, I look back and have come so far and would not have done it without Tacoma Community House."



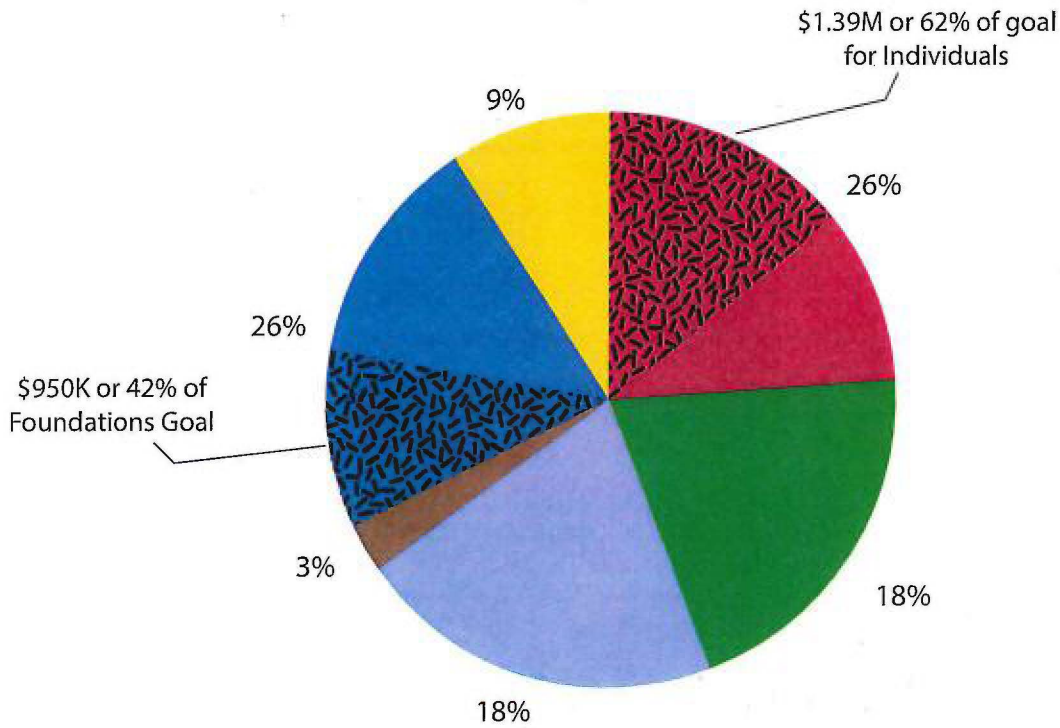
**TACOMA  
COMMUNITYHOUSE**  
EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT IMMIGRATION ADVOCACY  
SINCE 1910








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# Fundraising Chart

DONOR TYPE	ESTIMATED REVENUE
State of Washington	\$1,500,000
New Market Tax Credits	\$1,500,000
Other Public Funding	\$250,000
Foundations	\$2,250,000
Corporations	\$750,000
Individuals	\$2,250,000

**GETTING TO \$8.5 MILLION**  
**ESTIMATES OF REVENUE SOURCES**  
 as of September 2016  
**\$2.36 MILLION**



-  Raised (within set percentage)
-  State of Washington (\$1.5 million)
-  Foundations (\$2.25 million)
-  New Market Tax Credits (\$1.5 million)
-  Corporations (\$750,000)
-  Other Public Funding (\$250,000)
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# 2015-2016 Council Contingency

Biennium Budget

\$750,000

Funding Request/Resolution	Budgeted	Actuals Through Oct 2016
<i>Resolution 39054 (11-25-2014)</i>		
Associated Ministries Renovations	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000
<i>Ordinance 28270 (12-9-2014)</i>		
Equity and Empowerment Capacity Building - Proyecto Mole Program	\$ 90,000	\$ 82,125
Center for Working Families	\$ 25,000	\$ 11,082
Eastside Farmer's Market	\$ 13,500	\$ 6,750
<i>Resolution 39159 (3-31-15)</i>		
Pierce County Aids Foundation	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
<i>Resolution 39192 (5-12-15)</i>		
Tacoma Minimum Wage Task Force	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
<i>Resolution 39219 (6-16-15)</i>		
Heritage Organization Funding	\$ 50,000	\$ 7,104
<i>Resolution No. 39262 (8-25-15)</i>		
TPCHD Wood Stove Program* *\$50K in 2015, \$50K in 2016	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
<i>Resolution No. 39321 (11-24-15)</i>		
Eastside Healthy Food	\$ 10,000	
<i>Resolution 39391 (2-23-16)</i>		
Latino Roundtable	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,294
<i>Resolution 39511 (08/2/2016)</i>		
Sister City Assessment and Strategic Plan	\$ 7,000	
<i>Resolution 39526 (8/23/16)</i>		
Peace Community Center Capital Fund	\$ 50,000	
<i>Resolution 39525(8/23/16)</i>		
11th Street Murray Morgan Bridge Plaque	\$ 5,000	\$ 762
<i>Resolution No. 39577 (11/1/16)</i>		
Hire Consultant for Click! Analysis and Audit * *To be reimbursed by Tacoma Power	\$ 100,000	
<b>Total approved by City Council Through Legislation</b>	<b>\$ 605,500</b>	<b>\$ 360,117</b>
<b>Biennium Budget Remaining</b>	<b>\$ 144,500</b>	<b>\$ 245,383</b>

Committed (not spent)