



**CENTER  
ON 3656 N.  
HALSTED**

**COMMUNITY IMPACT**  
Year · In · Review

**2020**





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RACIAL: EQUITY STATEMENT

**#blacktranswomenmatter**  
**#blacktranslivesmatter**  
**#blacklivesmatter**



Center on Halsted is a catalyst advocating for racial equity for all LGBTQ individuals, allies, and their intersectional identities. With our partners we fight racism, bias, and hate. We commit to take intentional action, remain humble, defend equitable policy-making, and seek accountability in the collective effort to foster resilient communities.



## on advocacy

Throughout the year, and even during the pandemic, Center on Halsted's Program staff were leading voices and participated in multiple advocacy efforts, including participating in the following



Volunteers from Clean Up Chicago write messages of justice and hope on COH boards



- Black Treatment Advocates Network
- Chicago Area HIV Integrated Services Council
- Chicago LGBT Aging Network
- Chicago Task Force on Homeless Youth
- Illinois HIV Integrated Planning Council
- Lakeview Youth Worker Coalition
- National C-Far CAB Coalition
- National Coalition for LGBT Health
- National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs
- PreP 4 Illinois Committee
- Pride Action Tank's Out-Aging Committee



## on VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer Danny Beers poses with staff in the Seniors Services food pantry



*a BIG thank you to all our volunteers!*

**442 Individual volunteers provided  
7,123 hours of service**

**316 Group & ERG volunteers provided  
1,305 hours of service**



“I’ve always had such a profound appreciation for LGBTQ elders who lived the prime of their lives in a world of unacceptance... They were our pioneers literally fighting for my equality and I feel it is now my turn to help make their lives easier in return.”

*- Danny Beers, CoH volunteer helping to alleviate food insecurity by collecting food for LGBTQ Seniors*





## Youth Services

**Total Impact: 695 Youth**

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**659 referrals** for education, housing, legal, health, employment, unemployment counseling, socialization, food security and public benefits.

**400 youth** received support through the resource line, telehealth, email, and walk-in hours

**6 youth** were housed and received wrap around services through our youth housing program

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## Senior Services

**Total Impact: 5,066 seniors**

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In response to **COVID-19**, Senior services conducted **2,574 well-being checks** and more than **20,000 lbs of food** were distributed to **over 200 seniors**

**79 residents in** Town Hall Apartments received housing and case management services

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## Career Development

### Total Impact: 3,109 clients

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**Silverfork** [culinary arts job training program]

**19 Silver Fork graduates** entered the hospitality industry with a fresh outlook on their career

## WERQ! LGTBQ Virtual Job Fair

**More than 300 LGBTQ job seekers** attended the annual Job Fair showcasing over 20+ major corporations, small businesses, government agencies and nonprofits



**Cyber Center** [computer lab]

**2,790 people** used the Dr. David J. Lochman Cyber Center receiving **11,726 technology trainings or internet access sessions** bridging the digital divide

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## Anti-Violence Project Total Impact: **1,476 Clients**

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**1,073 practitioners** received training from the LGBTQ Training + Public Education Institute

**255 clients** received support through the resource line, telehealth, email, and walk-in hours

**148 clients** received individual and group therapy services

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# Behavioral Health

## Total Impact: 2,402 Clients

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**1,223 clients** were served through the resource line

**567 clients** received individual, relationship, family, and group counseling services

**605 therapists and caregivers** received continuing training and education services

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## **HIV/AIDS + Prevention Services** **Total Impact: 8,258 Clients**

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**2,780 individuals** received free HIV/HCV tests

Clients received **2,322 referrals** for STD testing and other services

Clients received **1,484 referrals** for PrEP navigation  
and **132** for insurance navigation

All services in **English and Spanish**

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*New for 2020!*

## ON HIV RESOURCE HUB



**Total Impact: 8,258 clients** received services from the Illinois AIDS/HIV & STD and Hub hotlines

The Hub is a centralized door to resources throughout the Chicago area that address medical needs and social determinants of health that may impact individuals living with HIV or vulnerable to HIV.

The State of Illinois AIDS/HIV & STD Hotline answers sexual health questions and also helps individuals find necessary resources throughout the state.

Together, the Hub and the Hotline provide referrals to resources including to HIV/STD testing and PrEP support, primary care, housing navigation, medical transportation, behavioral health services, and other necessary services.



*I've been going there (The Center) for 2 years and the people there are part of the reason I've been able to grow and blossom so much since my first day there. - CoH Program Participant*





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**HIV/STD Hotline**  
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**HIV/HCV Testing**  
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