



ANNUAL REPORT

RESTORING HOPE | SUPPORTING CHANGE | IMPROVING LIVES

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Growth Works staff, I am pleased to present our Annual Report for fiscal year 2022. We hope it will enhance your understanding of the services we provide in the Western Wayne County area.

Originally founded in 1971 as a youth drop-in center, the agency provided a safe environment for local youth to keep them engaged in positive activities and reduce the likelihood of delinguency. Although we look very different today, our agency's mission of restoring hope, supporting change and improving lives is our guiding light amid the ever-changing needs of the communities that we serve.

As we look back, we feel proud of the things we've accomplished so far. From building new relationships, to creating new programs, our staff have been working tirelessly to move this agency forward.

As we grow, we will continually strive to have a consistent voice, a clear purpose and a coherent strategy that will enhance the services that we offer and provide a more diversified workforce, inclusive and welcoming environment for staff and those we serve.

Warm regards.

Nick Griswold

### OUR VALUES



**WE...** We practice with accountability and believe in what we do.



**WE...** act with honesty, openness, willingness and compassion to joyfully support clients and each other.

### **ABOUT GROWTH WORKS**

#### **OUR MISSION:**

Our mission is to help individuals restore hope, support change, and improve their lives.



#### **OUR LEADERSHIP:**

Nick Griswold, Chief Executive Officer Jessica Klotz, Chief Operating Officer Brian Langlois, Operations Director Anne Munro, Business Director Laura Reiners, Community Relations Director

#### **OUR BOARD MEMBERS:**

David Sculati, Board President Jordyn Sellek, Secretary Susan Brown, Vice President Neil Schultz, CPA Treasurer

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#### WE...

seek to create a healthy, inclusive culture that supports growth and connectivity.



#### WE...

are teachable and always seeking improvement.

## GROWTH WORKS STORIES

My world has gotten so much bigger by working with Growth Works, both as a client and now as a team member. My work here at Growth Works has brought me full circle and it is part of my recovery as I now have the opportunity to help others. It is my way of paying it forward. If you put in the work, you're going to see the results, and the team here at Growth Works is here to help you.

~ Sarah W. Former client and Peer Recovery Coach

I realized that if I embraced this opportunity I could have a chance to have the relationship with my family and the rest of the world that I really wanted. The compassionate and caring approach to what was happening to me is the recovery component to what Growth Works does so well.

> ~ David S. **Former Client** and Board President



Everyone can learn something at Growth Works. They provided the space to address some of my underlying issues and gave me the tools to change the way I think about myself and the world around me. The team is so encouraging and supportive; I know that I can still reach out to them over a year later and they will be there to lift me up.

> ~ Briana C. **Former Client**

I find great joy in service to others and my community. I understand personally the challenges of early recovery and the journey into the great unknown. Growth Works has given me the ability to serve many more individuals and families and I consider myself blessed to be a small part of the Growth Works team and I look forward to the journey which still lies ahead of me.

Nathan P. Growth Works CITx Treatment and Peer Recovery Program Manager



Nothing bigger can happen in my life than what has happened to me here at Growth Works. My time with Growth Works is my most valuable possession and I want to share that gift with others. I am passionate about juveniles and I want them to know that there is hope and things can change if they are willing to accept the opportunity that Growth Works offers.

~ Antwon J. Former client and member of the Juvenile Advisory Council



My work at Growth Works doesn't feel like work when I am making an impact on the lives of others. I feel connected to the agency and the community.

~ Jewel T. **Growth Works Residential Clinical Therapist** 



I have seen the dramatic impact our services have had on families. We provide a safe, healthy environment for children to have a relationship with both parents. Families have happily grown beyond our services to outside visitation and a better sense of normalcy.

~ Lindsey H. **FASE Administrative Assistant** 



We learned to take care of ourselves and ask for what we needed. Healing with Horses gave us the courage and willingness to try new experiences. We learned that sometimes it is just as simple as taking a breath and recognizing that the horse and those around us can pick up on how we are feeling. We loved spending time at the farm and are looking forward to getting back out there soon.

 Kiara C., Kailey P. and Charity M. **Growth Works clients and Healing with Horses graduates** 

My personal experience allows me to connect with others. During my time at Growth Works, I have witnessed my own personal growth and I want to help inspire that same growth in the communities we serve.

~ Daniel L. **Growth Works Peer Recovery Coach** 



I was a troubled kid. I was always in trouble at home; I didn't listen because I didn't care. When I first started with Growth Works, I was resistant, but I learned that they are not out to get you; that is what I thought at first. I realized they were trying to help me. I learned to ask for help and I am working to stay focused on the important things school, work, my mental state.

> ~ Mariah L. **Former Client**



### **OUR TIMELINE**

Over the last 50 years, Growth Works has evolved to meet the changing needs of the communities we serve. Our roots as a youth drop-in center laid the foundation for supporting youth and families and will continue to be our primary focus for many years to come.

PYI merges with
Counsel for Community
Concerns and becomes
Growth Works (GW).
Through the efforts of the
Plymouth Rotary Foundation,
Growth Works arranges
purchase of 271 S. Main
Street from Suburban
Communications.

Adolescent Job Training
Programs start using federal
funds provided through Wayne
County, aimed at youth from low
income families, lacking academic
skills and at risk for failing to
complete high school. Youth learn
basic job skills, receive academic
credit and are paid a wage
while in the program.

The connection between school failure and substance use is realized and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) aftercare services are developed to support continued recovery for teens and families, to help them stay drug-free.

Growth Works
moves its Youth Assistance
Programming to a facility
provided by Canton Township.
Canton asks GW to relocate
its programs to a new facility
in Cherry Hill Village, and to
manage the expansion of
human services in Canton
through this facility.

in center for adolescents.

Growth

Works was

founded as

Plymouth Youth.

Inc. (PYI), a drop-

1969 1971

1976

1978-1982

1980-1984

1983

1989

1998

1999

271 S. Main Street
(former home of the
Observer Newspapers)
is put in trust with the
City of Plymouth. PYI
opens as youth drop-in
recreation program
in that facility.



Growth Works
developed its
diversion program
for youth offenders
(Youth Assistance
Program) in conjunction
with Wayne County
as an alternative
to prosecution.

As hospital-based treatment ceases there is a shift to Intensive Outpatient programming. Growth Works is accredited by the Joint Commission for the Accreditations of Health Care Organizations.

In conjunction
with Plymouth-Canton
Community Schools, Growth
Works develops Learning
Options to provide alternative
education programming as
a delinquency prevention
intervention. The program is
a federal Office of Juvenile
Justice Demonstration
Project.

**Growth Works** models a Peer Recovery Coaching Program to augment the provision of adult treatment. GW expands its adolescent substance use treatment into Washtenaw County through the provision of residential treatment at the County's juvenile detention facility and the Washtenaw County Juvenile Court.

**Growth Works** begins providing adult substance use treatment, linking its programming with the 35th District Court's Sobriety docket.

**Growth Works** enters a joint venture to support residential programming for delinquent, drug-using youth with Wolverine **Human Services.** 

**Growth Works celebrates** 50th Anniversary with Stronger Families Stronger Communities campaign. GW partners with Crossroads for Youth to serve delinquent, drug-using youth in a joint venture to provide residential drug treatment services

2006-2020

2010

2015

2016

2017

2018

2021

2022

The Supervised **Parenting Program** (SPP) came to Growth Works, offering visitation services for noncustodial parents.

Wayne County selects Growth Works to become part of its innovative public/private delinquency system, replacing the program of Michigan's Department of Human Services. GW partners with the Conference of Western Wayne (CWW) on this initiative to bring innovative juvenile justice efforts to 17 CWW member communities. Delinquency services are provided to adjudicated youth by the 3rd Circuit Court's Family Division Juvenile Services, reducing the use of residential care, growing the use of community resources, addressing the connection between delinquency and substance use, and reducing delinquency recidivism.

The SPP expanded to the Family Assessment Support and Education (FASE) program and began conducting therapeutic visitation, parenting education and other family resources.

Conference of Western Wayne partners with Growth Works, St. Mary Mercy Livonia/Trinity Health and local police departments to form the Rescue Recovery Program, expanding peer recovery coaching through the CWW area.

**Growth Works** completes new construction to flagship Plymouth location.



### BY THE NUMBERS

1,590

clients enrolled in one of our programs during this fiscal year



of youth met their goals while in our CMO program

of adults leave our substance use program and remain sober for at least 30 days

### 46 COMMUNITY **EVENTS**

**Growth Works** staff attended and participated in

4,071 **QPR TRAINING** 

in suicide prevention provided to administrators, school employees, students and community members

### 213 **PEOPLE**

met in emergency care by a coach for support during an overdose

### 456 COOKIES

shared with Western Wayne police departments and sheriffs



### 123 **COMMUNITIES**

throughout Michigan were impacted by our work



gave to Growth Works over the course of this year



served by Growth Works volunteers at the Livonia Spree Event



held through our new training & consulting program



## **ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS**





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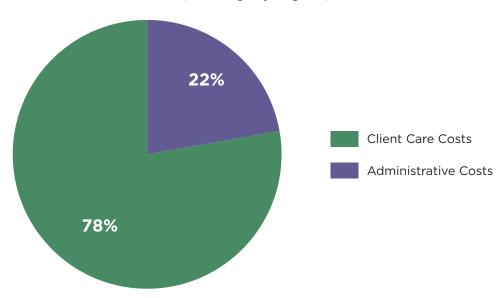




## **AGENCY FINANCIALS**

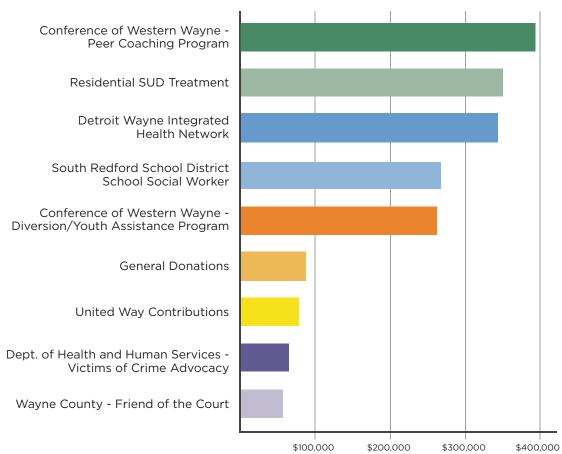
**Use of Funding** 

(Overall Agency Programs)



### **Annual Revenue Source**

(Without Care Management Organization)



## **CONNECT WITH US**

Our mission is to help individuals and families embrace change, and Growth Works believes we can support these greater changes when we are embedded in the communities we serve.



Growth Works has earned The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval® by demonstrating continuous compliance with its performance standards. The Gold Seal is a symbol of quality that reflects a health care organization's commitment to providing safe and quality patient care.





### **Growth Works Community Newsletter**

Each newsletter, we will provide you with information about what is happening at Growth Works, our programs, and how we continue to serve the community. To receive more information, sign up for our newsletter by scanning the QR code at left or directly at gwcares.org/news/



Your support helps us to meet the growing needs of the communities that we serve. Your donation will aid us in our mission to help individuals and families restore hope, embrace change, and improve their lives. To make your donation, scan the QR code at right or go to gwcares.org/donate/







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## **OUR LOCATIONS**



**Canton Location** 

50430 School House Rd., Canton, MI 48187 (Located within the Canton Human Services Center)



Plymouth Location

271 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170



**Garden City Location** 

28537 Warren Rd., Garden City, MI 48135



**Romulus Location** 

11131 Wayne Rd., Romulus, MI 48174 (Located within the 34th District Court House)

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