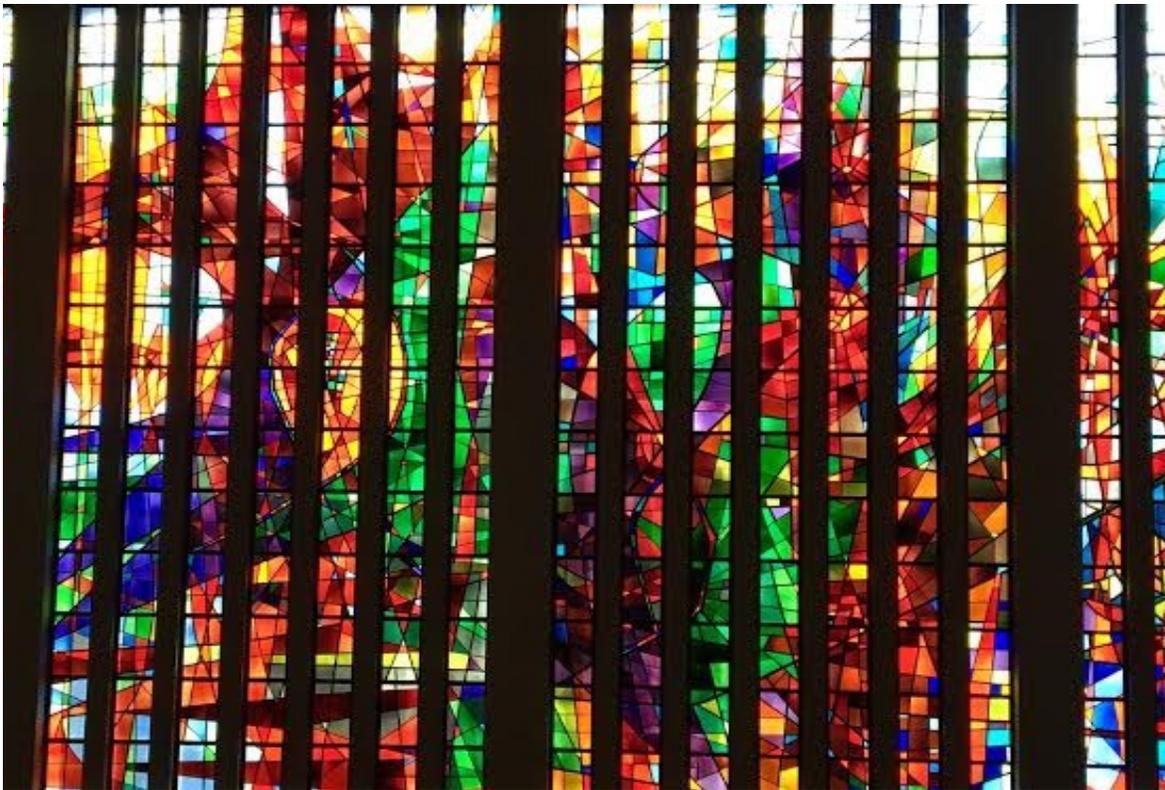


Good Shepherd
MEDIATION PROGRAM

Annual Report
Fiscal Year 2017-2018



Our mission is to empower Philadelphia community residents to creatively search for meaningful and lasting solutions to their conflicts without resorting to crime or violence.

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Individuals Served



5793 Participated in pre-hearing conferences

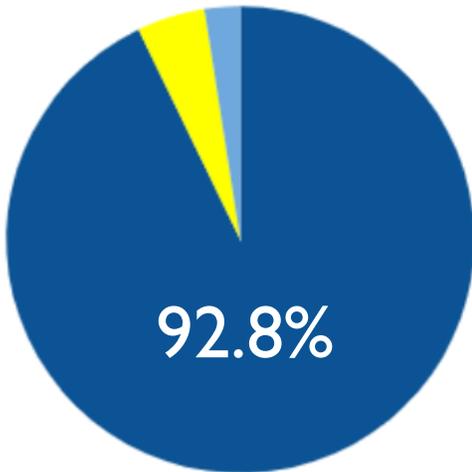
1278 Participated in training & outreach programs

477 Participated in juvenile justice programs

456 Utilized mediation services

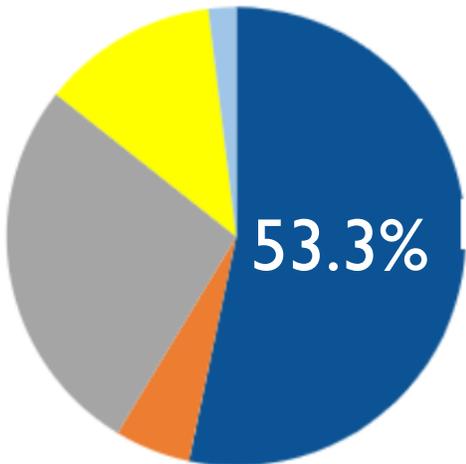
8004 Total served during this fiscal year

Use of Funds



- Program services
- Management and general operating
- Fundraising

Sources of Funds



- Government contracts
- Foundation support, fundraising, and contributions
- Program services and training
- Contributed services
- Interest and gain on investments

Services Offered

Mediation

Community Mediation — People who are involved in interpersonal disputes with friends, neighbors, co-workers, landlords/tenants, and other community members have the opportunity to resolve situations with the aid of our trained, objective, and neutral mediators.

Family Passages Initiatives — Provides mediation services to families in transition, such as:

- Divorce and Child Custody
- Parent and Youth Conflicts
- Dispute Services for Families with Aging Relatives

Conflict Coaching — Parties who are experiencing conflict can benefit from working one-on-one with a conflict coach who assists them in developing a plan of action on how they will manage their conflict situation, when the other party is unwilling or unavailable to participate in mediation.

Pre-Hearing Conference Facilitation at Dependency Court

GSMP provides mediators to facilitate pre-hearing conferences in cases involving allegations of child abuse and neglect for the Philadelphia Family Court Dependency Unit.

Training and Consulting Services

GSMP provides a myriad of training and consulting services.

Restorative Practices

When harm has been done, restorative practices offer pathways to healing by responding to the needs of all of the stakeholders — those who have been harmed, those who caused the harm, those who are closest to each side, and members of the community at large. Services offered by GSMP include:

- Community Group Conferencing
- Restorative Circles
- Victim-Offender Conferencing
- Family Group Decision Making

Youth Services

GSMP supports youth in conflict resolution, emotional management, and decision making through a variety of programs, services and workshops including:

- Juvenile Offender Diversion Program (JODP)
- Effects of Retail Theft Module
- Responsible Use of Social Media
- Youth Delinquency and Violence Prevention Program



Juvenile Offender Diversion Program (JODP)

Good Shepherd Mediation Program is committed to reducing youth violence and youth incarceration in Philadelphia through our conflict resolution workshop for young offenders on Saturdays.

JODP Trainers:

Mai Spann-
Wilson
MSW



Ken
Peeples
MSW



Zane
Johnson
Esq.



JODP Participants' Feedback:

"I learned that it doesn't make me less of a man to walk away from a conflict."

"They taught me that conflict happens in life — I have to deal with it."

"I had an anger problem before the class started, but the techniques that I got out of the class helped me learn not to react as quickly to the things that trigger me and to slow things down when I am in conflict."

"I got to listen to peoples' stories and share my story which helped me see how ... I could have done things differently. This helped me see that I can walk away from a conflict."

"My favorite part was understanding there are people who want better for you."

"I learned that violence isn't the answer to everything and there are many more ways to solve a problem."

2017 Shepherds of Peace Awards

Each October, in conjunction with Conflict Resolution Day, Good Shepherd Mediation Program names individuals who have been instrumental in encouraging peace and social justice in Philadelphia, and honors them as "Shepherds of Peace." Below are the 2017 honorees, left to right:



Movita Johnson-Harrell and Yancy Harrell

Grassroots organizers working to prevent gun violence. The Harrells founded the CHARLES Foundation in memory of their son who was killed in a case of mistaken identity.

Sr. Kathleen Coll, SSJ

Executive Director of Dawn's Place, a program that works to improve the lives of foreign-born and American women who have been victimized by commercial sexual exploitation.

Susan L. Brooks, Esq.

Associate Dean for Experiential Learning & Professor of Law at the Thomas R. Kline School of Law at Drexel University. Pioneer in the field of therapeutic jurisprudence.

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Pat Griffin	Philadelphia Bar Foundation
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