“Like a marker on the Bay, we help each other find the way.”
The mission of Channel Marker is to promote mental health by providing prevention programs, rehabilitation and community services to individuals and their families.

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FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

It has been a privilege to serve our family of 400 Channel Marker clients this year. We witness courage and determination every day. We join in laughter and despair. Sometimes we dance; sometimes it is just enough to get a client through a particularly difficult time. We celebrate when our services enable clients to “graduate” from our program having reached a high level of wellness, recovery, and independence.

We thank you - our medical and community partners, donors and advocates - for joining us in providing a safety-net for adults and children diagnosed with the most significant forms of mental illness. Together, we are capable of changing their lives.

These are some of the achievements during this fiscal year that added to our reputation as a leader in non-profit support services to the mentally ill:

We successfully implemented Credible, a state-of-the-art electronic health record program that is the hallmark of excellence for medical programs.

We received recertification by CARF (Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities) based on more than 1,000 quality improvement standards. Our recertification was for the maximum three-year term.

While working towards the completion of the capital campaign for our Regional Wellness Center in Easton, we assessed the needs of our crowded facilities in Dorchester and Caroline Counties and began planning for their renovation – particularly in regard to our expanding youth services.

We continued to build more wellness services into our programs including fitness and physical health.

We held our first annual and very successful “FUN is Good for Your Mental Health” event to raise funds and friends.

The new year offers the promise of exciting improvements for service - and of challenges that will be embraced by an optimistic and devoted board and staff.

Sincerely,

Debra P. Jackson, Executive Director
MEET SAM AND JONATHAN…

Sam “walked right up to another boy who was playing on the floor with Lego’s and joined him with no problem!! He was talking, sharing, and building.” Jonathan was “playing on the floor with a boy he’d never met before and was not at all shy. They had a blast yesterday building with Lego’s and even making their own creations.”

Wonder why this story reported by Channel Marker youth specialist, Danielle Smith, is so remarkable? Read on!

“These were the same two boys who hid behind me the last time we were at the library and refused to participate because it was overwhelming for them.”

Sam and Jonathan* are brothers, ages 8 and 10, raised by a drug addicted, neglectful mother who often locked them in a room or a closet or shoved them outside the house to “not have to deal with them.” Fortunately, they are now in the custody of their grandmother.

Due to the lack of basic necessities, mental abuse and poor parenting, the boys lack normal social skills and are fearful of trust. They were referred to Channel Marker’s Youth Program where they meet once a week after school for a session with other kids and in the summer for weekly fun, social activities.

*These are not the real names of these children. Permission has been granted by their guardian to use the photo and tell their story.

FITNESS CENTER

With the help of an anonymous benefactor and the Rural Maryland Council, our client Fitness Center is close to becoming a reality. Fitness equipment and new flooring are being installed. The usage of this room in combination with Channel Marker’s Health
Fitness, continued

Home Program will promote healthy life styles. Improved coordination of health services is a key Channel Marker strategy for addressing health disparities between the mentally ill and the general population. Individuals served by Channel Marker often do not have the financial resources to participate in exercise programs and have access to special equipment based on their physical limitations. Outfitting this fitness center with appropriate equipment in a supervised setting will allow many of our clients to further pursue their weight loss, health and well-being goals in a safe environment.
Fun is Good For Your Mental Health Fundraiser

Saturday, March 3rd
7:00 PM to 10:00 PM
Tickets are $55 per person

Come One! Come All!

Channel Maker is Good For Your Mental Health!
“Like a marker on the Bay, we help each other find the way.”

ADULT SERVICES
Assistance in accessing resources to develop enhanced community and independent living skills. Supportive skill building groups and community based services are provided.

GROUP PRACTICE
Expanding our capacity for on-site treatment and clinical therapy services making integrated care more easily accessible for our clients.

HEALTH HOME
Population health care management for adults with severe mental illness. Provide screening and evaluation, coordinate care with community health care providers, reduce avoidable use of emergency rooms, increase self-management of chronic illnesses and improve overall health outcomes.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES
Overnight supervision for “intensive clients” with severe needs. Flexible support for general level clients in comfortable homes in the community.

SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT
Supported Employment provides job development, job coaching, and ongoing employment services to individuals with a mental illness.
“Helping children be successful in life”

PRIMARY PROJECT
A school based early detection and prevention program in Talbot County for children kindergarten through third grade. The child’s individual goals are met through “supportive play” to reinforce competencies, social skills and strengths.

YOUTH SERVICES
Collaboration with community resources to develop and achieve individual goals. Individual, group, after-school and summer programs are provided.

TRANSITION AGE YOUTH (TAY)
Designed for young adults ages 18-25. TAY programming prepares young adults with their transition into adult roles through an individualized process designed to enhance overall well-being.

Visit our website www.channelmarker.org our Facebook Page and YouTube to view our video!
TOTAL CLIENTS SERVED

- Adults: 192
- Youth: 178
- Health Home: 165
- Group Practice: 85
- Primary Project: 33
- Supported Employment: 10

TOTAL NUMBER OF SERVICES

- Adults: 43,068
- Youth: 6,164
- Health Home: 2,561
- Group Practice: 1,195
- Primary Project: 383
- Supported Employment: 211
COMMENTS

ADULTS

“I would like to thank my job coach for helping me getting a job. I also want to thank my case manager for making me a budget spreadsheet learning how to budget.”

“This place is like my family. This is my family.”

“I am happy to come to the day program 2 days a week. I have learned more about my illness.”

“I am very pleased with the care for which they supplied.”

PARENTS

“Staff are skilled and knowledgeable with helping my husband and I to understand our child’s needs. Staff are well connected with community resources and other community supports that has helped our child become more successful.”

“I’m sure that the boys wouldn’t have come this far without the help of Channel Marker and Danielle. The boys are doing so much better.”

“Channel Marker has also been a social resource for our child as it has enabled him to be in a fun and learning environment with his peers outside of school.”

“This program is wonderful helping children to be able to function in society and in different environments.”

RESIDENTIAL

“It is a break from the hustle and bustle stress on the hectic world on the outside, and people need Channel Marker to learn the skills of living independently. My niece got me to Channel Marker when I was drinking heavily. Then I came to Channel Marker and went to Alcohol Anonymous and I stopped drinking. But the main thing is that a lot of my fear and confusion, has gone away.”

“We have our own independence in Channel Marker housing and free time on the weekends to go see our family, to visit sometimes that help us a lot to come closer to our family.”

COMMUNITY

“CM consistently assures the clients of timely medications, medical, dental, & shopping needs. Outings provide recreation & socializing in the community. Daily chores & programs lend structure to the clients to help maintain stability. The morning movies in Easton is wonderful. Staff is kind & courteous to clients & treat them with respect. They do a difficult job with grace.”

“Stellar Leadership team and community partner!”

“Thank you for serving the community over the years. When the community speaks of ‘day treatment programs,’ they think of Channel Marker.”
Channel Marker, Inc. would like to thank all of the individuals, foundations, businesses and organizations that have made contributions from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 in support of our general activities or specific projects. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this list. Please notify us of any discrepancies. We are grateful for your generous support and are pleased to count you among our community partners.

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## BALANCE SHEET

**Current Assets**
- Cash: 744,988
- Receivables (net): 179,540
- Amounts due from affiliated organization: 91,001
- Prepaid Expenses: 32,252

**Total Current Assets**: 1,047,781

**Fixed Assets**
- Operating Equipment (net of depreciation): 407,864

**Other Assets**
- Investments, at fair value: 512,996
- Receivable from charitable remainder trust: 300,302
- Interest in Net Assets of Channel Marker Foundation, Inc.: 2,092,601

**Total Assets**: 4,361,544

**Current Liabilities**
- Accounts Payable: 62,821
- Accrued Expenses: 124,663

**Total Current Liabilities**: 187,484

**Long Term Liabilities**
- Long term debt: 0

**Total Liabilities**: 187,484

**Net Assets**
- CMI Net Assets - Unrestricted: 1,276,862
- CMI Net Assets - Board Designated: 500,000
- Temporarily Restricted: 304,597
- Temporarily Restricted Net Assets of Channel Marker Foundation, Inc. (CMF): 2,092,601

**Total Net Assets**: 4,174,060

**Total Net Assets and Liabilities**: 4,361,544

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

**Revenues and Support**
- Medicaid: 3,607,242
- Client Rent, Fees and Copayments: 171,223
- Public Support: 415,221
- Other Revenues and Support: 111,072
- Change in value of charitable remainder trust: 21,360

**Total Revenues and Support**: 4,326,118

**Expenses**
- Program Services: 3,594,254
- Support Services: 625,555
- Fundraising and grant services: 20,107

**Total Expenses**: 4,239,916

**Increase in Net Assets from Operations**: 86,202

**Increase in Net Assets of Channel Marker Foundation, Inc.**: 468,139

**Total Increase in Net Assets**: 554,341

**Net Assets at the beginning of the year (CMI)**: 1,995,254
**Net Assets at the beginning of the year (CMF)**: 1,624,465

**Net Assets CMI & CMF at the beginning of the year**: 3,619,719

**Net assets at the end of the year**: 4,174,060
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