



2015 ANNITAL REPORT

The Mission of Blue Jacket, Inc. is to provide education, training and opportunities to any disadvantaged person who is striving to earn a second chance at gainful employment.

Established 2003





Finances

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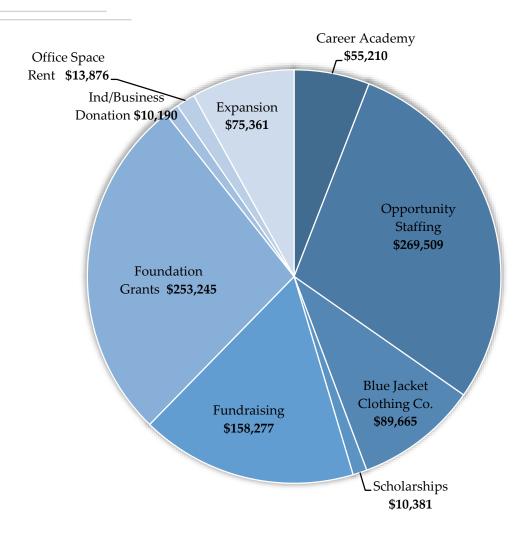
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Tina Shull, Opportunity Staffing Placement Coordinator

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Income	2015 Budget	2015 Actual	Difference
Grants and Donations	\$130,500	\$273,816	\$143,316
Fundraising	\$29,384	\$158,277	\$128,893
Earned Income	\$1,382,877	<u>\$503,621</u>	<u>\$(879,256)</u>
\$1,542,761	\$935,714	\$(607,047)	
Expense			
Program	\$1,371,379	\$611,251	\$760,128
Fundraising & Grants	\$95,749	\$162,638	\$(66,889)
Administrative	\$15,587	<u>\$37,344</u>	<u>\$(21,757)</u>
	\$1,482,715	\$811,233	\$671,482
Net	\$60,046	\$124,481	\$64,436



Program Outcomes

The Career Academy

In 2015, we adapted the Career Academy training to springboard graduates into the labor market quickly. The training decreased from 60-hours (or 4 weeks-long) to 40-hours (or 2 weeks-long). The informational orientations into the program are shorter, from 90 minutes to just 30 minutes. The training is cyclical, taught in modules, starting every week. This means that candidates no longer have to wait more than one week to enter into the program.

Because of these changes, more doors opened for our clients. We became more client-focused and less referral-focused, driven to provide the best service, hence all the changes. Through our in-house staffing service, more employers are partnering knowing that our candidate pool for jobs is larger and with diversified backgrounds.

This intensive training is designed to build self-efficacy and confidence in job seekers that otherwise would feel hopeless in their job search, but also allow them to prove their worth through the hard work that the training demands. Because Blue Jacket accepts every adult into their doors who possesses some barrier to employment, the screening tool is personal motivation. An inability to graduate the simulated workplace environment in the training exhibits an inability to hold down a job.

Candidates Referred or Self-Referred: 368
Total Students Enrolled: 171
- via BrightPoint partnership: 181
- via Ray Gilbert Scholarship: 83

Graduates: 94
Successful Graduation: 55%





Opportunity Staffing

The in-house staffing agency was created to provide a sustainable and long-term job placement strategy for graduates of the Career Academy. Years ago, we found that hiring Job Developers through governmental grants puts the relationship at risk with the employer if the grant is no longer funded. Opportunity Staffing has the unique privilege to be customer driven, adapting to the free market. This

full-service staffing enterprise allows an employer that is willing to give second chances a



low-risk, employment trial of Career Academy graduates.

Temporary Placements: 75
Temps Hired Permanently: 23
Direct Hires: 5
Active Opportunity Staffing Employers: 17

The Blue Jacket Clothing Company

Our business-professional & casual attire thrift store augments the Career Academy clothing bank. We help our clients by providing them with clothing to interview in at no cost.

The store took on some changes in 2015, which included a new manager and an accessory room. The store allows us to make business professional clothing available to the surrounding community at deeply discounted prices. It is home to one of the highest quality thrift stores you will find in the region - you have to see it to believe it.



Total Donated Clothing Items Received:	24,346
Clothing Bank Donations to students or partners:	5,650
Total items sold in 2014:	12,828

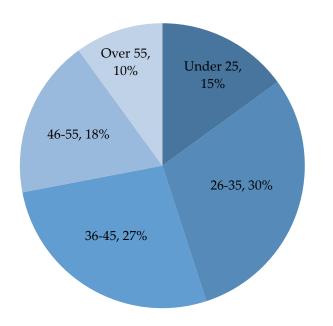
Volunteers	Total Hours	Total "Reports for Duty" Occurrences
In the Blue Jacket Clothing Co.	2,542	299
Serving on projects, committees, property management, or in the garden	170	52
Graduates Giving Back	1,750	315

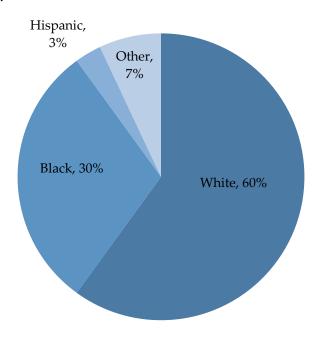
Demographics

Total Enrolled: 171 Males: 68% Ex-offender: 90 Females: 32%

Veteran: 12 Homeless: 30

Age: Race:







We are thankful for our partners that believe in programs created with intergrity and real results. The Career Academy

builds self confidence and trust in people needing to prove to an employer that they are worth a second chance. Thank you for your strong partnership, and producing the brightpoint Career Academy to reach a population of people wanting to emerge from poverty. Together, we are expanding into the Northern Regions of Indiana to spread the brightpoint Academy and Blue Jacket services.

Contributors

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Building Façade

2015 was an exciting year for the exterior building of Blue Jacket.





Gardens

With 36 raised garden beds the Blue Jacket garden turned into a vegetable producing haven. The fruit from the labor; the vegetables were sold to local Fort Wayne companies along with Calhoun street promenade. All wouldn't be possible without the Garden Party, which happened in May 2015, and the endless amount of volunteer hours that went into making the garden what it is today.





Tenants

We're grateful for our partnerships with our tenants who are as follows;

Fairbanks Fort 4 fitness Neighbor link Studio A design Sviad Management Group

Fundraisers

Blue Jacket Annual Golf Outing

The 7th Annual Blue Jacket Golf Outing was held at Coyote Creek Golf Club on August 14th 2015 with an attendance of 18 teams totaling 96 golfers.

Golf Outing Charitable Committee

Event Chair: Jennifer Winkeljohn

Jeff Hartman

Kurt Kline

Lisa Patterson

Michelle Houlihan

Sian Matson

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Fort4Fitness Charitable Run/Walk

Our second year as a Charity partner with Fort 4 Fitness- we had one hundred and eighteen registered

walkers and runners with many more volunteers helping support Blue Jacket on September 26th 2015.

We held a pasta dinner the night before the big race, free to those registered with Blue Jacket and \$10 a person for those who did not register with Blue Jacket. A fun evening was had by all who attended with live music and a variety of excellent items up for silent auction.



We are thankful for the following hard working committee members:



Fort4Fitness Charitable Committee

Event Chair: Jon Painter	
Angela Hudson	Kurt Kline
David Perry	Pamela Mallory
Donnell Miller	Sarah Miller
Jennifer Harvey	Justin Edwards
Josh Nix	Tony Hudson

Fort4Fitness Sponsors

Gold Level

Hallmark Mortgage	Office Pride
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Meridian Tile Corporation	

Silver Level

1st Source Bank	Old National Insurance
Allen Business Machine	Quadrant Engineering&
Calhoun Street Salads, Soups,	Plastic Products

To sponsor or participate please contact ahudson@bluejacketinc.org

Registered Walkers and Runners

Gage, Janette

Alcantar, Tristian		
Armstrong, Jeffrey	Gage, Nathan	Messmann, Jordan
Batdorff, Rachel	Gordon, Tony	Mullinax, Wyatt
BeanFrederick,	Gorman, Tim	Nix, Campbell
Bean, Tara	Graf, Becca	Nix, Ella
Benzinger, Andrea	Hamilton, Amanda	Nix, William
Bond, Erika	Hamilton, Robert	Nix, Shannon
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Campbell, Jo Ellen	Hayes, Kelly	Painter, Jonathon
Carr, Raymond	Herald, Matthew	Painter, Julie
Chaffee, Brittainy	Hubbard, Jannice	Painter, John
Chambers, Susan	Hudson, Anthony	Pendleton, Lynn
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Faley, Kristi	Lazarek, Sarah	Rogge, Lisa
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Foote, Greg	Mabie, Melissa	Royal, Aleta
Frazier, James	McFarren, Jeremy	Royal, Scott
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Fultz, Kimberly	McIntosh, Ray	Schreiber, Randy
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McIntosh, Katheryn

Schreiber, Buddy

Shull, Tina
Sierks, Kevin
Sierks, Alexis
Smith, Brenda
Smithson, Amanda
Soto, MIchelle
Storey, Jennifer
Taylor, Kelly

Teagarden, Becky Teagarden, Heather Troyer, Ronald Umber, Dave Umber, Barb Weir, Cecile Welter, David Werling, Todd White, Breanna White, Keith Whybrew, Mary Winkeljohn, Jennifer Woodfill, John Woods, Julian









*Many others registered just prior to the race that we were unable to thank.

Fantasy of Lights

Blue Jacket inherited the Fantasy of Lights, a Fort Wayne Community tradition, in its 21st year. It was a huge success with just over 20,000 cars visiting the annual holiday event. It ran from 25th November till 31st December.

We are very thankful for the endless amount of volunteers and service hours that were put into this event during build-up, whilst the event was running and after- without these volunteers it would be possible.

We hope to increase that number each year and make it the biggest holiday event throughout the Mid-west.



Through nightly photos and prize giveaways we enhanced involvement with the visitors through the social media platform of Facebook. We achieved 1,941 on the 'Fort Wayne Fantasy of Lights' Facebook page.

Event Chair: Donnell Miller







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Volunteers Involved (Set-up, During event & Tear-down)

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Other Greatly Appreciated Support

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Clothing Donations!

Many thanks go to the people that contributed their business professional clothing to the Blue Jacket Clothing Co. this year. Many clothes were given to the students for free because of your gifts and others were sold to retain graduates on staff to work in the store.



