VISION STATEMENT
To eradicate the sting of poverty and its effects on individuals and communities.

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Back Bay Mission meets the urgent needs of those suffering from poverty and its effects while building pathways to social justice. We lead the way in delivering services, creating collaborative solutions, and transforming lives through mission immersion experiences.
Thank you to everyone who has supported Back Bay Mission through mission trips, serving as volunteers, donating goods and services, providing monetary support, and offering prayers for this ministry. Without each of you doing what you do, Back Bay Mission would not be able to provide vital services to the Mississippi Gulf Coast community’s most vulnerable residents.

I feel profoundly blessed to have this opportunity to provide leadership to this ministry that has created opportunities in response to community needs for more than 90 years. I am awed and moved by the depth of the commitment that the United Church of Christ has to Back Bay Mission.

As we look to the future, the staff and I are dreaming of what is not yet. Over the next five years, we hope that Back Bay Mission will become a learning space for vulnerable and marginalized residents of the Mississippi Gulf Coast and for the people of the United Church of Christ. The following will be accomplished by growth, volunteers and funding:

- Create a team of mentors, selected from our housing recovery clients, who will be trained in home maintenance and who will teach future clients to maintain their homes.
- Involve our clients in the design, development, and evaluation of our programs.
- Hire six new case managers, each focusing on an area of specialization, to help our clients develop and implement personal sustainability plans.
- Get a caseworker trained in Bridges Out of Poverty.
- Provide at least three sixteen week Bridges Out of Poverty classes each year for clients committed to getting out of poverty.
- Expand our services to veterans to insure that no veteran is left behind.
Client Choice
Food Pantry
Unveiled in 2014

Back Bay Mission is the first food pantry in Mississippi to evolve from a pre-bagged model to the current client choice model. There have been many positive changes around this change:

Client Advantages

- Clients are more empowered
- Clients are better able to meet their individual dietary requirements
- Clients make better financial choices
- Clients are more satisfied
- A food pantry stocked with food that clients have chosen or requested
- Pantry Advantages
- Less waste as clients do not take food they will not use
- More accurate food drive lists, based on client preferences
- More opportunities for volunteers to interact with clients

Since client choice has been implemented, the food pantry has seen a 37% increase in clients. Meeting the growing food security needs for our clients has been especially challenging. We are able to meet this growing need thanks to the donors and volunteers in the United Church of Christ and beyond who support the food pantry. The many volunteers who come to the Mississippi Gulf Coast on mission trips are responsible for our continued ability to feed the people who come through our doors each week. To help with this cause, you can facilitate a food drive, collect donations, send gift cards or schedule a time to volunteer.

Client Choice WISH LIST
(requested by our clients)

- Canned Chicken, Tuna and Spam (all sizes)
- Tomato or Spaghetti Sauce (small & large cans)
- Country, Chicken & Sausage gravy Mix
- Canned Chili
- Canned Spaghetti & Meatballs
- Ravioli
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Ramen Noodles
- Pasta Side Dishes
- Rice Side Dishes
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Canned Fruit Cocktail
HomePort II

HomePort II, a joint project of Back Bay Mission and the Gulf Coast Housing Initiative, was completed and fully occupied in 2014. HomePort II is now the home for 5 male veterans and one female veteran. These veterans were able to be moved from the streets into fully furnished apartments complete with washer and dryer. Many thanks to everyone who worked on, donated to, and supported HomePort II. It was a labor of love for our veterans.

Back Bay Mission and the Gulf Coast Housing Initiative are currently making plans for HomePort III. This project will create a larger, mixed-income housing development for veterans and nonveterans, creating a better experience and more opportunities for our homeless veterans to reintegrate into society. We hope to announce opportunities to support this much needed project in the coming months.

Shari Prestemon Social Justice Internship Program

The Shari Prestemon Social Justice Internship was first made available in 2014. The Prestemon Justice provides a member of the United Church of Christ between the ages of 19 and 35 with a unique opportunity to participate in a 10-week summer program tailored to their interests. Drawing on the Mission’s long experience in community engagement and advocacy for justice, the internship will nurture participants’ passion for social justice and develop their appreciation for the church’s role in seeking social justice.

For more information regarding the Shari Prestemon Social Justice Internship visit our website www.thebackbaymission.org or contact Chris Marlin-Warfield, chris@thebackbaymission.org.

Name: Bethesda Beaver
Member: Paradise United Church of Christ in Louisville, Ohio
College: Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio

Name: Diarra Molock
Member: Beloved Community Church in Accokeek, Maryland
College: Goucher College in Baltimore, Maryland

Name: Nina Lester
Member: St. Paul’s Community Church in Cleveland, Ohio
College: Hiram College located in Hiram, Ohio
Read Nina’s journey at Back Bay Mission through her weekly journal entry, www.thebackbaymission.org.
### 2014 Revenue and Expenses

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#### Total Revenue
**$1,206,187.04**

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#### Total Expenses
**$1,510,970.71**

#### Micah Center Services Provided
- Services Provided: **2,892**
- Showers Taken: **1,683**
- Loads of Laundry Done: **1,536**
- Items of Mail Dispersed: **845**
- Computer/Telephone Services: **349**
- Food Stamp Applications: **54**
- Hygiene Kits: **19%**
- Haircuts Given: **17%**
- Entitlement Benefits Applications: **11%**

#### Number of People Served
- Female: **148**
- Male: **299**

#### Housing Recovery & Volunteer Services

**2014 Project Statistics**
- New Construction (HomePort II): **1**
- Major Completed Rehabs: **5**
- Major In-Process Rehabs: **2**
- Minor Completed Rehabs: **9**

- Total number of projects undertaken: **16**
- Total number of projects completed: **14**
- Total funds expended on housing projects: **$180,296.48**

**Number of churches/organizations represented by volunteers**: **59**
**Number of volunteer work campers utilized**: **837**
**Number of volunteer hours**: **17,784**
**Dollar value of volunteer hours**: **$307,146**
( @ $18 an hour / $10 an hour for acq. Rehab)
Home at Last Services Provided
- Referrals: 230
- Hygiene kits: 135
- Bus passes: 97
- Laundry vouchers: 50
- Tents/Blankets/Sleeping Bags: 21
- HAL applications: 6
- Social Security Disability applications: 2

Home At Last (HAL) Clients
- New Clients: 120
- Continued Clients: 109

Home At Last Housed Clients
- Children: 17
- Adults: 24

Emergency Assistance
Number of Services
- Food Pantry: 3904
- Utility Relief: 1312
- Birth Certificates: 70
- Case Management: 60
- Medication Assistance: 52
- Rent/Mortgage Assistance: 41
- Transportation: 31

Number of People Served
- Children: 839
- Adults: 4240