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## Northern Berkshire Community Coalition



# SERVING NORTH BERKSHIRE FOR 38 YEARS 2023-2024 ANNUAL REPORT



nbCC is a member agency of:

**PEOPLE SERVED OR ENGAGED THIS YEAR >> 10,632**  
**SERVICES PROVIDED THIS YEAR >>>> 5,427**



**OUR VISION:** To be the catalyst for a healthy, empowered, engaged community.

**OUR MISSION:** Empowering the northern Berkshire region to enhance the quality of life through our efforts at connecting, convening, and supporting all facets of the community.



FAMILY TRAIN RIDE STORY TIME

*"Thank you for making me look at things in a different way."*

~ Parent taking a co-parenting class

## OUR COALITION TEAM

- AMBER BESAW**  
Executive Director
- LIZ BOLAND**  
Business Manager
- SUZY HELME**  
Communications Coordinator
- BRIAN RHODES**  
Administrative Program Specialist
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- JESSI PELOQUIN**  
Health & Wellness Coordinator
- BRIAN MCCARTHY**  
Youth Development Coordinator
- CARRISA SACHERSKI**  
Youth Support Worker
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- GABRIELLE GLASIER**  
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Family Support Worker
- SULLY BOLAND**  
Family Support Worker
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- STEPHANIE QUETTI**  
Clinician [the Brien Center]

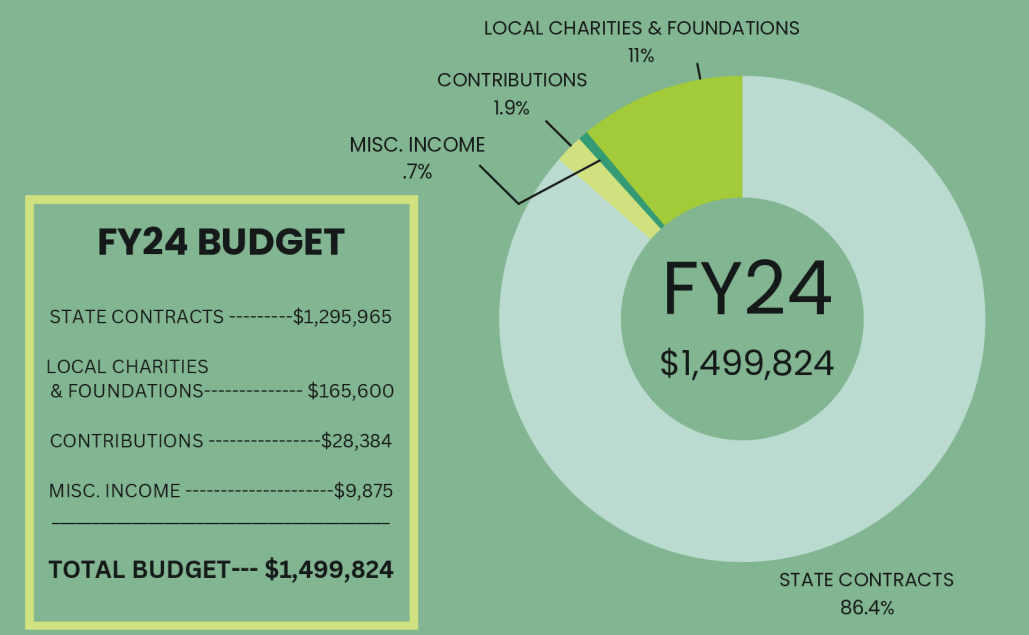
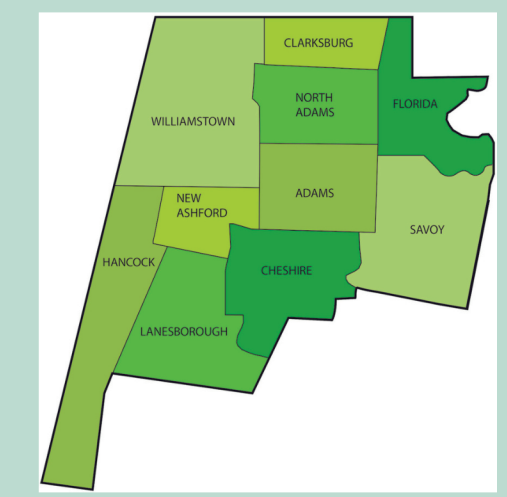
## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## STAY CONNECTED WITH US

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COALITION  
 NBCCOMMUNITYCOALITION  
 SUBSCRIBE TO NEWSLETTER AND/OR E-ZINE

## COMMUNITIES WE SERVE



# THIS PAST YEAR...

nbCC served **730 new clients/community members.**

**94 Berkshire high school students attended the 413 Youth Conference.**

**239 community members were served through the Bike Collective.**

**Throughout the year nbCC collaborated with 181 community partners**

**73 bikes from the Bike Collective were distributed into the community.**

**The members of the nbCC staff collectively serve on 34 local boards & commissions.**



Engaged **575 families** through **34 distinct** parent support & education programs



Supported **733 people** to make better health choices through **over 100 health & wellness services**



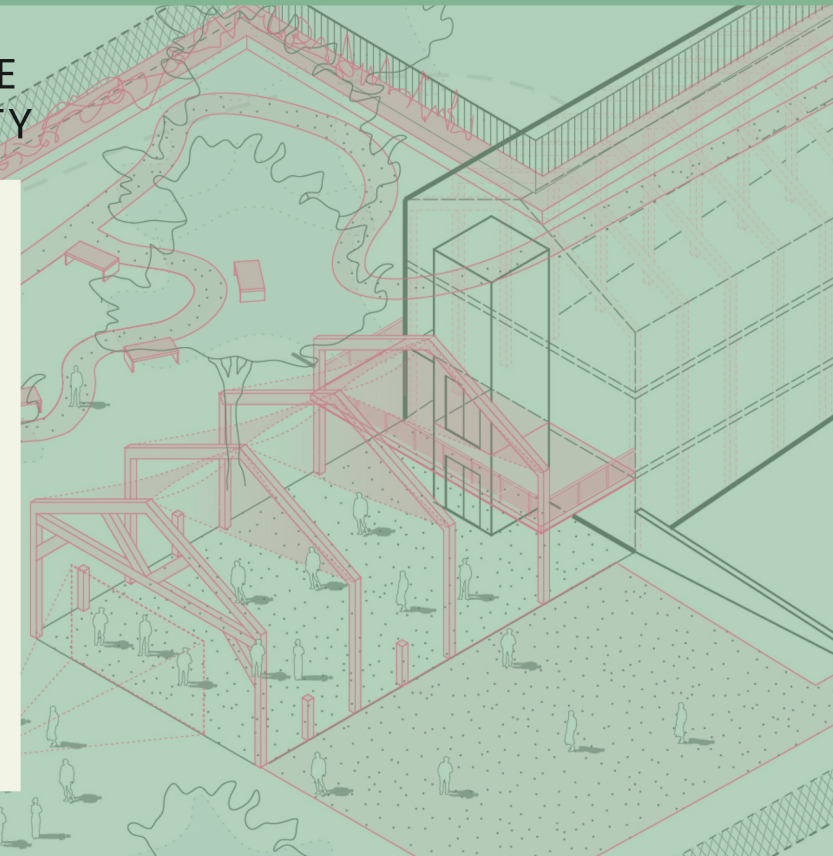
Recruited **59 community volunteers** to assist with Coalition events and activities



Served **community members from 17 towns** in and beyond the north Berkshire region

## BUILDING A NEW CENTER FOR THE NORTHERN BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY

- Thanks to a state earmark, **a site for the new nbCC center has been secured** at 192 State Street in North Adams, adjacent to Goodwill and Childcare of the Berkshires. **Transforming the existing property into a thriving hub for nbCC will require \$8 million.**
- With a superb track record in securing public funding, the Coalition expects to **raise \$5 million in state and federal grants** for this project.
- The **remaining \$3 million must come from private sources.** The Coalition has begun conversations with our neighbors who have the capacity and vision to serve as co-investors in a **powerful engine of compassionate regional prosperity.**



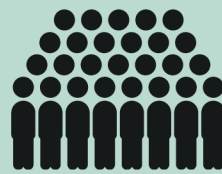
Hosted or partnered on **9 major north Berkshire community** events, from National Night Out to MLK Jr. Day of Service



Brought together **506 residents & stakeholders** in dialogue to solve local challenges



**Over 150 teenagers** we engaged with were new to Coalition programs & events



**Over 1,000 individuals** we served this year were **new** to us



Trained **103 community members in leadership skills** for their communities' development

192 STATE STREET



## A REGION-WIDE CENTER OF DIGNITY & HOPE

As the Northern Berkshires face new economic challenges and opportunities, nbCC is uniquely positioned to help those who struggle, not just cope, but do so much more. Our new center will gather and focus the efforts of neighborhood leaders, social work professionals, and community leaders to help our struggling fellow citizens play productive, life-changing, community-transforming roles in our region's future.

## THE SPACE CRUNCH...

- NBCC HELD 15 PROGRAMS/EVENTS (177 SEPARATE TIMES) IN SPACES OUTSIDE OF OUR MAIN OFFICE DUE TO SPACE CONSTRAINTS
- 505 EVENTS, MEETINGS & GROUPS WERE HELD AT THE UNO COMMUNITY CENTER
- 65 INDIVIDUALS & ORGANIZATIONS UTILIZED THE UNO COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THEIR EVENTS
- THE UNO COMMUNITY CENTER GENERATED \$6,995 AT RATES OF \$5/HR OR \$10/HR

## THE NORTHERN BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY CENTER WILL...

Be within walking distance of Main Street in North Adams & a few yards from public transportation, providing level access throughout the region.



Provide ample space to support programming and health & wellness classes, like easy meal preparation.



Provide a fully functional space for supporting partners and their services.



Offer large indoor and outdoor gathering spaces.



DOWNTOWN TRICK-OR-TREAT

VOLUNTEERING