

A letter from the CEO



What's unique about **Communities In Schools of Atlanta** is our presence inside schools.

We are there physically for students, and we are there for emotional support. When it comes to making sure kids get exactly what they need to succeed in school and in life, we're 'ALL IN.'



It is in the spirit of partnerships and collaboration that we work best to serve students, because we're all in this together. Our trained professionals greet the most at-risk students at the door, and they also meet them wherever they are in life. Whether they need a warm coat, a new pair of glasses, homework help, or someone willing to listen — we take away the barriers. We focus on helping kids stay in school, because we know that graduation is a beginning to meeting their full potential. It is what leads them to so many other opportunities in life.

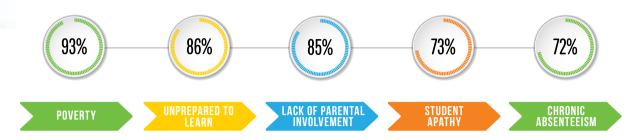
Yours in Service.

Trank Brown, Esq.

Chief Executive Officer

In a recent CIS study,

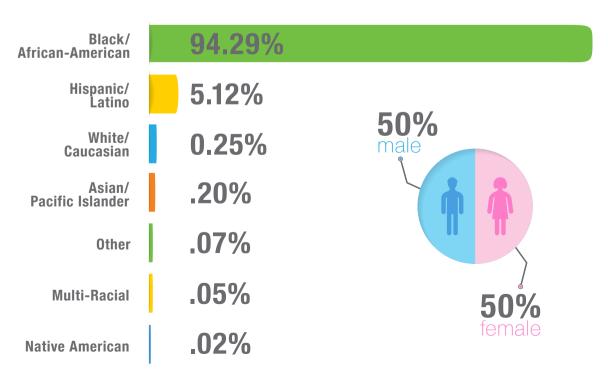
teachers, principals and superintendents reported that POVERTY was the number one barrier to success in their schools.



Perceived Barriers to Learning

Since people of color are more than twice as likely as Caucasians to live in poverty in the U.S., more children of color struggle with non-academic barriers to success.

Student Demographics by Race & Gender

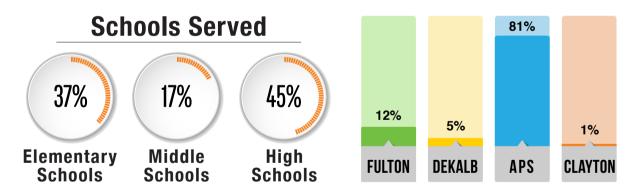


What We Accomplished in 2016-2017:



Enrollment of CIS of
Atlanta schools exceeded
28k students.
3,700 of those
received intensive
individualized support.

We spent over
400 hours
a day
with kids in
Metro Atlanta.





Most Significantly

92% of the students we served both:

- Stayed in school
- Were promoted or graduated

Student Spotlight

Jenel discovered she was pregnant at the beginning of her junior year and was forced to make the difficult and life changing decision to become a mother at just 17 years old.

Being a student, teen parent and single mom became emotionally draining for Jenell. The pressures of trying to finish school along with balancing financial burdens made life difficult. Jenell's situation looked hopeless until she met Mr. Domand, a Communities In Schools of Atlanta Site Coordinator. After their first meeting, Jenell felt like a huge weight had been lifted. "I don't know what I would have done without CIS and Mr. D."

In addition to providing basic support during school, Mr. D helped Jenell find childcare and baby necessities such as baby formula and diapers. He also made sure her grades and attendance were on track for her to graduate. "He even made sure I could attend college fairs at my school and watched my baby girl while I was visiting with the admissions staff. I never thought I could do college with a baby, but Mr. D gave me hope to believe that I could."

Jenell has graduated high school and attends Clark Atlanta University studying to become a lawyer. As a college freshman, she still calls Mr. D every week to check in and has given back by mentoring other high school students on Mr. D's caseload who face the realities of being a pregnant high school student.

Congratulations to Jenell and all of our students!



We're inside schools and in students' lives, because when students have caring adults supporting them, they see new possibilities. We surround students with a support system that fosters health, builds confidence and empowers students to succeed.



2017-2018

CIS of Atlanta will serve more than 38,000 K-12 students, with approximately 4,500 receiving intensive individualized support, at 62 Metro Atlanta schools. This includes three new high schools in Clayton County and ten additional partner schools within Fulton County Schools.

VISION₂₁

Vision 2021, CIS of Atlanta's comprehensive strategic plan, focuses on growing our programmatic footprint in order to provide critical dropout prevention services to more low-income students and families in all four school districts we serve.

The primary goal is that by 2021

95% of case-managed students with attendance, behavior, or academic issues will be promoted or will graduate.

Five Overarching Objectives Include:

- 1>
 - **Expand impact** by providing high-quality program services to address the needs of more metro Atlanta students, with a focus on serving districts by feeder patterns.
- 2>
- **Enhance revenue generation capabilities** to improve long-term financial sustainability.
- 3>
- **Enhance programs and financial resources** through collaborative and innovative partnerships.
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- **Increase public awareness and visibility** to expand CIS of Atlanta's support and reach.
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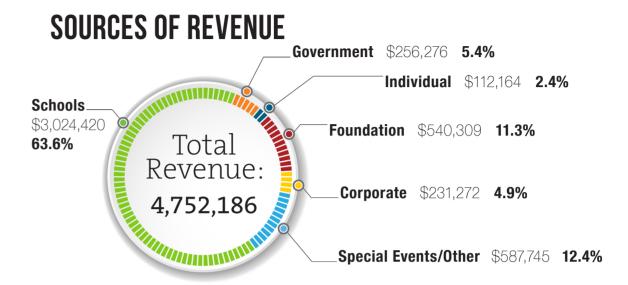
Enhance organizational and operational efficiency and effectiveness.

Financial Statement

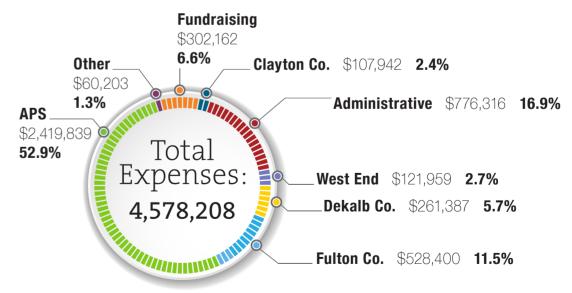


| ASSETS | [2017] | [2016] |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS | \$546,466 | \$449,999 |
| GRANTS AND CONTRACTS RECEIVABLE | 31,193 | 116,181 |
| PROMISES TO GIVE | 10,750 | 10,500 |
| PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER ASSETS | 17,901 | 56,330 |
| INVESTMENTS | 2,456,833 | 2,256,602 |
| PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET | 57,633 | 66,438 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$3,120,776 | \$2,956,050 |

| LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS | [2017] | [2016] |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| LIABILITIES | | |
| ACCOUNTS PAYABLE | \$41,780 | \$69,286 |
| ACCRUED EXPENSES | 313,456 | 295,202 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 355,236 | 364,488 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| UNRESTRICTED | 2,677,137 | 2,531,737 |
| TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED | 88,403 | 59,825 |
| TOTAL NET ASSETS | 2,765,540 | 2,591,562 |
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