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REPORT TO

THE COMMUNITY



2023

A NETWORK OF SUPPORT



OUR MISSION

Del Mar Community Connections is a volunteer-driven organization providing programs and services that help our maturing residents live safely, vibrantly, and independently in the homes they love.

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Dear Friends:

What better way to describe Del Mar Community Connections than as *A Network Of Support*? Since our founding nearly a quarter of a century ago, we have been committed to supporting the most vulnerable - those striving to age independently and vibrantly in the community we love to call home. During the worst of the pandemic, that meant adapting our activities and services to provide safety and security for our elderly population in a variety of ways, from in-home grocery deliveries to virtual programming and remote social gatherings. Although Covid-19 remains a serious threat,

we are pleased to have resumed a large majority of our in-person programming, social events, and assistance services, while also maintaining a safe, welcoming environment.

During the past year, our *Network of Support* included over 60 dedicated volunteers that organized and led a diverse range of activities impacting approximately 650 members of our community, including shopping trips, transportation to medical appointments, bi-weekly luncheons, outings to museums and other attractions, bridge and mah-jongg groups, writing workshops, educational programs, exercise programs, and social gatherings, just to name a few. Our *Network of Support* also included our successful efforts to protect our neighbors and friends who were facing the prospect of eviction and homelessness through the abrupt cancellation of the Del Mar Rental Assistance program – efforts which, through the leadership of councilmembers Tracy Martinez and Dwight Worden, as well as the active support and lobbying of many of you, resulted in the City Council unanimously approving a public-private partnership that will provide these neighbors the necessary financial means to remain in their long-time homes indefinitely.

As we embark on our 24th year, we continue to explore new ways in which we can build upon our past successes by expanding the reach of our *Network of Support*. Our Board is in the process of finalizing and implementing a long-term strategic plan that contemplates broadening our offerings to those elder members of our community most in need of assistance, while also providing much needed support for family members that often serve as their primary caregivers. This is an ambitious undertaking that will require generous contributions of volunteer time and donor resources. Fortunately, we have a tremendous *Network of Support* to count on that all but guarantees our ultimate success: All of you reading this letter, who are the primary reason that DMCC has had such an overwhelmingly positive impact on our community since its founding and will continue to make our community a better place long into the future.

On behalf of our entire Board and our tireless staff (all of whom constitute my personal *Network of Support*), thank you for your time, energy, and commitment to DMCC. With your help, the future will only grow brighter!

Best regards,

Bob Gans
President



Nancy, Irene, and Fran catch up at the Cookies and Cocoa Holiday Party

BREAKING NEWS



Foodie Van riders enjoy a meal at Cesarina in Point Loma

This Just in!

IN 2022 DMCC...

- ▲ Added new regular activities to the calendar, including Learn to Play Bridge with Nate McCay, Sand Striders beach walking group, and Foodie Van outings.
- ▲ Hosted two Health and Wellness Premiere Speaker Series programs: *How to Get the Best Primary Care* and *The Hardest Job in the World: Caregiving for a Loved One with Dementia*.
- ▲ Hosted marquee general informational presentations on such varied topics as crime prevention, disposal of green waste, the San Dieguito River Park restoration, personal cybersecurity, and artificial intelligence.
- ▲ Made grant partnerships with the Del Mar Foundation, the San Diego Seniors Community Foundation, and the County of San Diego.
- ▲ Began training volunteers in the latest CPR techniques in partnership with the Del Mar Fire Department.

Your Gifts Help Us Grow!

There are many ways to provide financial support to DMCC to help us continue to support and serve seniors so that they may age independently and vibrantly at home.

DMCC is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation, Tax ID# 33-0938895. Contributions are fully tax deductible if not provided in exchange for goods and services.

Donate by Check

Checks are payable to Del Mar Community Connections, PO Box 2947, Del Mar, CA 92014.

Donate with Credit

Visit dmcc.cc/givenow to give by credit card or call the DMCC staff at (858) 792-7565 and they will be happy to assist.

Matching Gifts

Ask your employer or retirement benefits administrator if matching gifts are offered, and you may be able to double or triple your donation!

DMCC Legacy Society

Remembering DMCC in your will or estate plan is one of the most meaningful contributions you can make. Call our office at (858) 792-7565 and DMCC staff will provide more information.

Donate a Vehicle

You can donate a car, truck, boat, RV, or anything that can be towed, and reap the tax benefit. Visit dmcc.cc/givenow for more information.

2022 DMCC Gala Honorary Committee



Tema, Wayne, Phyllis, and Marilyn serve up Del Mar Lemon Cake at the 2022 Picnic in Powerhouse Park



NEWSMAKERS

DMCC's programs and activities are possible because of the hard work of volunteers. In 2022:

- ▲ **22** volunteers drove **3,200** miles to take **21** non-driving seniors to medical, grocery, and other essential appointments.
- ▲ **11** volunteers gave their time and expertise to lead our programs and activities.
- ▲ **37** volunteers oversee DMCC's operations by serving on the Board of Directors or a committee.

2022 VOLUNTEER

OF THE YEAR

Gala Committee Member,
TLC Volunteer Captain,
Outreach Committee Member,
Special Events Volunteer

PHYLLIS MIRSKY



Terry Kopanski awards Phyllis Mirsky
Volunteer of the Year 2022

VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH



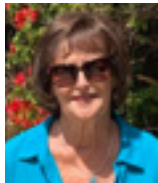
April 2022
Emily Gilmore
Program Leader



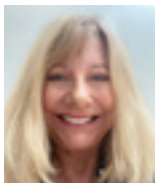
May 2022
Stephen Groban
Health and Wellness
Committee Member



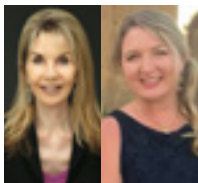
July 2022
Michael Leiderman
Move with Michael
Instructor



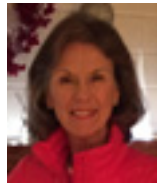
August 2022
Linda Otchis
Volunteer Driver,
Administrative Volunteer



September 2022
Beverly Boggs
Administrative Volunteer



October 2022
**Melissa Russell and
Lauren Wright**
Outreach Committee
Members



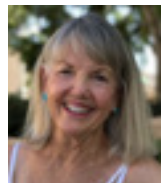
December 2022
Lois Higgins
Program Leader,
Volunteer Driver



January 2023
Barbara Ann Paulovich
Social and Good Times
Committee Member,
Administrative Volunteer



February 2023
Kristen King
Volunteer Driver



March 2023
Annie Duval
Gordon Clanton Memorial
Fund Committee



NEWS YOU

CAN USE

DMCC provides accessible activities and services to engage seniors of all ages. In 2022:

- ▲ **184** people connected with the DMCC community for the first time!
- ▲ More than **650** people in total connected with DMCC, receiving services or participating in activities more than **3,200** times.
- ▲ **30** people borrowed medical equipment from DMCC, such as wheelchairs, walkers, and rollators.
- ▲ The Sassy Chassis van gave a ride to passengers more than **500** times to go on shopping trips or cultural outings.
- ▲ **545** meals were served or delivered to **50** mature seniors as part of Tuesday Lunch Connections in partnership with the Del Mar Foundation.



Guests enjoy the 2022 Annual Benefit Gala



Fran and Judy catch up at Tuesday Lunch Connections (Sponsored by the Del Mar Foundation)

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“I am grateful for DMCC's help with providing me with rides to my appointments and for providing me with tremendous support – they're a big reason why I'm able to continue living in this community.” -Dave R.

“DMCC's varied programs and events are a great way to be a part of the Del Mar Community and enjoy myself after retirement.” – Donna S.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

The following statement is an excerpt from the fiscal year 2022 Financial Statements that were compiled by the certified public accounting firm of Brannen Shirley LLP. A complete copy of the compilation report is available from the Del Mar Community Connections office upon request.

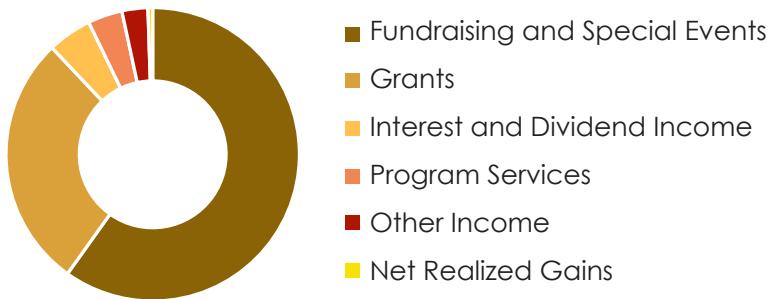
DEL MAR COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets Year Ended June 30, 2022

REVENUE AND SUPPORT TOTAL

Fundraising and Special Events	\$220,305
Grants	\$103,348
Program Services	\$14,000
Other Income	\$10,513
Interest and Dividend Income	\$17,931
Net Realized Gains	\$1,908
Net Unrealized Losses	(\$54,631)

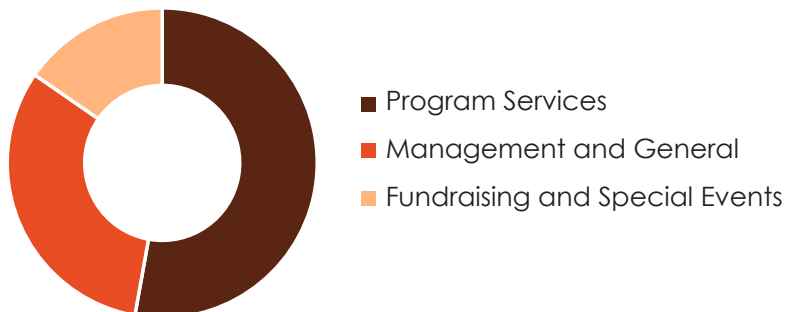
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT \$313,374



EXPENSES

Program Services	\$143,930
Management and General	\$86,615
Fundraising and Special Events	\$41,907

TOTAL EXPENSES \$272,452



NET ASSETS-BEGINNING \$925,941

NET ASSETS-ENDING \$966,863

FINANCIAL COMMENTS

In fiscal year 2022 DMCC raised \$220,305 in donations largely from the Annual Gala and Year-End Appeal. DMCC also received grants from the City of Del Mar, Del Mar Foundation, San Diego Seniors Community Foundation and Pandemic Relief Fund. These grants helped support our senior service programs, transportation services, pandemic response programs, and Tuesday Lunch Connections program. DMCC also received revenue under two contracts with the City of Del Mar to administer a low-income housing subsidy program and our Volunteer Driver Program.

DMCC incurred \$143,930 in program expenses associated with our broad range of programs and services available to the community. The largest portion of program expenses was related to our wide-ranging transportation services utilizing the Sassy Chassis Van, and personalized volunteer driver rides.

DMCC provides our programs and services through the efforts of over 60 volunteers, two full time salaried employees, three part time paid drivers and a very active Board of Directors. DMCC incurred Management and General expenses totaling \$86,615 associated with its employee salaries and necessary support services such as insurance, accounting, communications, occupancy, supplies and administrative expenses.

Fundraising costs totaling \$41,907 were incurred in relation to the Annual Gala and donor appeals. These fundraising activities sustain the organization and ensure the continuation of the many programs and services we offer to our senior community. The change in Net Assets represents the excess of Revenue and Support Income over Expenses.

THANKS TO

OUR SPONSORS

Grant Partners

City of Del Mar
Del Mar Foundation
San Diego Seniors
Community Foundation

Visionary \$5,000 or more

Donald Ambrose
– Del Mar Healthcare, Inc.
Susan & Tom Harrington
Arlene Harris & Marty Cooper
Rosanne Holliday
Steve & Al Tarkington
Patricia Welsh

Champion \$2,500 or more

Jeff Barnouw
Marilyn Carpenter
Linda & Frank Chisari
Gordon Clanton
Mary Ann & Bud Emerson
Mary & Jeff Friestedt
Maryka Hoover
Pat JaCoby
Beth & Jeff Mattfolk
Michael McManus & Tanya Young
Linda & Kenneth Olson
Michael & Sheila Sharpe
Ulla & Alan Sweedler
Mary Walshok
Nancy & John Weare
Sheryl & Harvey White

Leaders \$1,500 or more

Anonymous
Buck & Penny Abell
Sharon & Richard Bockoff
Patricia & Marc Brutten
Mary Corti
Del Mar Farmers Market
Sandra & Bram Dijkstra
Fran & Nick Frost
Terry Gaasterland & Karl Willert
Melissa & Bob Gans
Lynn & Charlie Gaylord
Jas K. Grewal & Suren G. Dutia
Kathy & Don Grimm
Klaus & Dagmar Gubernator
Susan & Judd Halenza
Tema & David Halpern
Barbara & Joe Harper
Barbara & John Healy
Nicole & Will Holliday
Greet & Karl Hostetler
Louise Keeling
Terry Kopanski & Carol Steblay
Beth Levine & Henry Abarbanel
Felise Levine & John Goodkind
Tracy Martinez
Carol Mason

Thank you to the generous community members who gave to DMCC between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022.
You make a difference in the lives of Del Mar's older adults.

Nate McCay & Jackie Bridge
Claire & Tom McGreal
Jan & Robert McMillan
Jenny Meiselman
Carly & Hal Michaels
Phyllis & Ed Mirsky
Ann Feeney & Don Mosier
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Sherryl L Parks
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Betty Wheeler & Dwight Worden

Friends \$100 or more

Christopher Appleton &
Beverly Appleton
Fran Barker
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Beverly Boggs
Pat & Bob Bone
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Ellen & David Buzawa
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Ann Dempsey
Joan Dittmer
Valerie DuFort-Roy & Sudepto Roy
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Anne & John Farrell
Chuck Freebern
Ann Gardner & Ben Nyce
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Spencer Gobar
Helen & Mike Grundler
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Debbie Hecht
Jennifer Hershberg
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Linda Hirshberg
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Nancy Murray
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Helaine & Ira Nelson
Bob Nelson
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Arlene & Ron Prater
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Dianne Reppucci-Bierman &
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Marilyn Stoke
Nancy Stoke
Stephanie Stolarz-Fantino
Chic & Joe Sullivan
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Jeanne Waite
Mary Welsh
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AND OUR PARTNER AGENCIES**



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