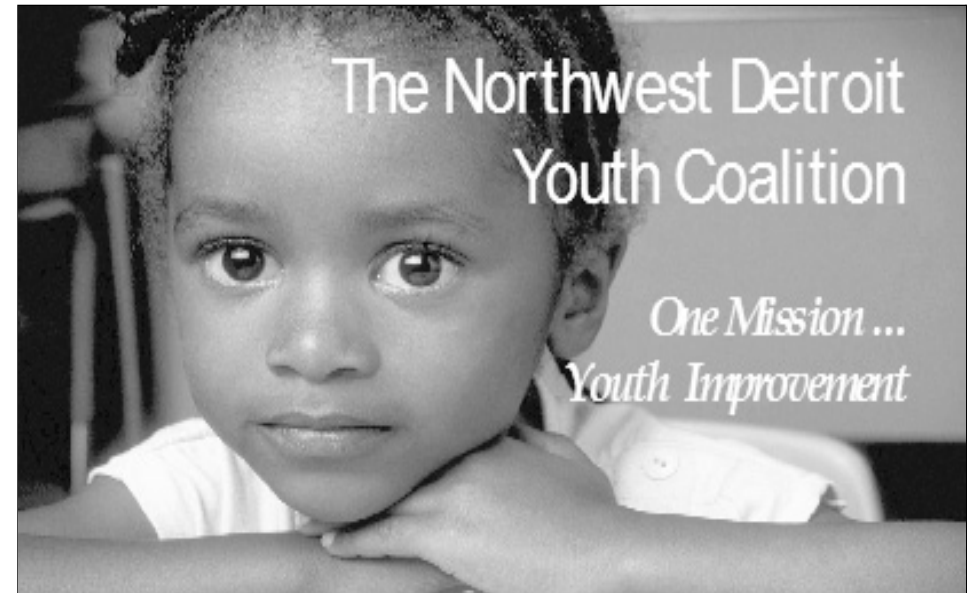

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Letter from the President

Dear Friends, Patrons, Volunteers, and Prospective Supporters,

I want to thank all interested parties for taking the time to review the Coalition's work in 2010 and plans for 2011. As you may know the Coalition has been working in Northwest Detroit for the past 13 years offering programs for youth, ages 5-18 years-old. We work independently and also jointly with other agencies to offer constructive youth activities where none exist.

This annual report covers our results in 2010 and changes for 2011. We had a busy year. We supported five major programs this past summer:

- SAYA Camp at IHM Center
- Reclaiming Our Youth Camp at St. Gerard Center
- T-Ball
- Money management
- Donation for soccer insurance

In addition we coordinated two visits to the Henry Ford Museum, and we conferred with charter schools on concepts for new programs, such as urban gardening.

We budget carefully and continue to gain valuable experience and improve our impact on the community. For example, we are involved in a new and promising program called Better Men Outreach with the goal of grooming young men, 18-35 years-old, who play recreational basketball to take on tasks in the community.

In 2011 we plan some changes. We are reviewing concerns, issues and suggestions with the goal of having a greater impact in the community. We are also considering new programs, flag football, swimming, gardening, cooking, and cheerleading.

Please pray for our success. We welcome your questions and suggestions.

Thank you again,

Thomas Magoulick

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2010

Beginning Checking Balance (<i>January 1, 2010</i>)	\$787.17
Trust Fund (<i>January 1, 2010</i>)	\$1,533.00
Income:	
Grants, Fundraisers, Donations/Fees	\$39,020.00.
Total Available Funds	\$39,807.17
Expenses:	\$28,366.68
Ending Balance (<i>Dec 31, 2010</i>)	\$11,440.49
Trust Fund (Dec 31, 2010)	\$1,535.00



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Executive Board Members – 2010

Thomas Magoulick	President
Barbara J. Sylvester	Vice-President
Thomas Magoulick	Treasurer
Laura Coles	Secretary

Community Collaborating Agencies

Corpus Christi Catholic Church
Michigan Technical Academy
Henry Ford High School
Calvary Presbyterian Church
St. John Providence Health
New Hope Non-Profit Housing Corporation
Youth Development Commission
International Soccer Academy
St. Christine Christian Service
Mercy Ministries
8 Mile Foodland Super Market
Comerica Bank
Flagstar Bank
Valassis Corporation
Hitachi Corporation
Better Men Outreach

BACKGROUND

The Northwest Detroit Youth Coalition was established in 1996 and received its 501c (3) non-profit, tax-exempt status in 2003. The Coalition is a collaboration of youth-serving agencies that came together to address the barriers which prevented youth from participating in organized sports and extracurricular programs. The target area identified by the Coalition is the area bounded by Woodward Avenue on the east, Telegraph on the west, Eight Mile Road on the north and Fenkell on the south.

MISSION

The mission of Northwest Detroit Youth Coalition is to provide resources for the positive development of youth in Northwest Detroit.

GOALS

- Significantly reduce barriers preventing development of the youth
- Promote planning and a shared community vision for youth development
- Support and enhance existing programs in the community, with increased emphasis on preventative approaches
- Increase communication and publicity for programs and opportunities
- Evaluate and develop new programs

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PROGRAMS

The Coalition offers many extracurricular activities for youth in the community. Programs are based on community need and available resources. In 2010, the following programs were offered:

SOCCER

In 2010, the Coalition contributed \$2000 to the International Soccer Academy for insurance (ISIA). The program was expanded to the East side of Detroit and Hamtramck due to the growing interest in soccer. ISIA trained more than 200 youth in soccer basics including: team play, leadership, and the value of a healthy active lifestyle. The children wrapped up the season with an awards ceremony and dinner.

T BALL

During the 2010 season the Coalition offered a T-Ball program for twenty youth. Their parents participated in the program by assisting with coaching and by raising funds for the teams. After initial weeks of practice, the children played a four week season. The schedule included games with each other and with T-Ball teams from the PAL League

Northwest Detroit Youth Coalition collaborated with the Henry Ford to offer the players and their families free tickets to Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. The season was capped off with a banquet at which trophies and awards were handed out. The employees of Hitachi Corporation donated needed equipment to assist many of the summer programs including T-Ball.

AGENCY FORUM LUNCHEON

The Coalition sponsors an annual luncheon for youth serving agencies that are willing to work with young people in Northwest Detroit.

HENRY FORD MUSEUM TICKETS

The Coalition and The Henry Ford worked together to provide museum tickets to families in need. This year the museum had major events such as, Martin Luther King Day and the George Washington Carver exhibit, which made The Henry Ford a popular ticket. For these events the Coalition also provided funding for transportation based on availability.

The Coalition continues to meet with The Henry Ford staff quarterly to enhance the educational opportunities.

COLLABORATION WITH BETTER MEN OUTREACH

The Coalition collaborates with Better Men Outreach (BMO) whose mission is to enhance the physical, social and ethical growth of young men. The men are between the ages of 17 and 35 years-old. The Coalition supports and advises the group with seminars and guest speakers. Last summer 50 men participated in afternoon discussion sessions on self-worth, goal setting, and personal development. The sessions were coupled with recreational basketball.

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KIDS INVESTING IN SIMPLE SOLUTIONS (KISS)

KISS is a money management program sponsored by the Coalition. The program targets youth ages 10 to 18 years-old. This year the sites were St. Gerard Center, Immaculate Heart of Mary Center (IHM) and Burt Elementary School (Detroit Public School). The four week program included instruction in three areas: creating, managing and investing money. The highlight of the program was the trip to the Federal Reserve Bank, where the kids were exposed to several variations of counterfeit money. The students also played money games with coins. A wide range of information was examined including how to determine if bills were counterfeit and various services of banking. The highlight of the trip came when students were given a bag of shredded money. The students were provided with a complimentary lunch also. Approximately 80 students participated in the program in 2010. The program sponsor was Fifth Third Bank.

During the summer money management program the students were provided with four 1 ½ hour a week sessions regarding the benefits of completing an education, with instructors who assisted with money management skills. Other skills included:

- Information on self employment
- Information on saving and loans
- Created journals of spending/saving
- Discussion of abuses of credit system

At several centers there were many young students present. We had to adjust our program to include them. The younger youth:

- Played money games
- Learned about savings accounts and the importance of saving

The two trips were to the Federal Reserve Bank and Flagstar Bank, the program sponsor. At the Federal Reserve Bank the students toured the bank and learned the procedures of how money is distributed and destroyed. At Flagstar Bank, the students were assisted by several bank employees. They learned how to read money, played money games and watched a film.



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SAYA

Summer Activities for Youth Achieving Integrated Hearts and Minds (SAYA IHM) is a four-week summer enrichment program for youth 6 to 17 years-old in our community. We provide opportunities for community youth to engage in healthy activities for the mind, body, and spirit. SAYA IHM enrichment day camp achieves the following objectives:

1. Learn a healthy lifestyle by participating in activities including: healthy meals, nutrition classes, sports related exercise, and dance classes.
2. Develop life skills including: resistance to drugs, personal self management, money management, and general social skills.
3. Exposure to different cultures and languages. Youth learn the basics of both Japanese (ages 6-12) and Spanish (ages 13-17) language and culture.
4. Expand their knowledge by participating in daily reading time independently and in small groups.
5. Gain new experiences by going on field trips to places such as, The Henry Ford Museum, The Cranbrook Institute, C.J. Barrymore's Recreation Center, and Livonia Recreation Center.
6. Develop creative skills by participating in arts and crafts, drum line, music, and drama club.

Finally, we host a parent program at the end of camp for the children to showcase their new skills and experiences. In 2010, we enrolled 92 children and engaged more than 50 young adults, parents and community volunteers who assisted us in achieving our objectives.

CORPUS CHRISTI SPORTS CAMP (R. O. Y.)

The four week St. Gerard summer sports camp called Reclaiming Our Youth (ROY) helps children develop self-esteem through a combination of athletics and personal development. Children ages 6 -16 years-old learn fundamentals in sports such as, basketball, baseball, soccer, volleyball, track, and swimming at Henry Ford High School. The program also offers classes in developing personal values, health and nutrition, money management, and Spanish. Over 91 youth attended in the summer of 2010.

