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# Annual Report

2021

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Dear friends of Wilder,

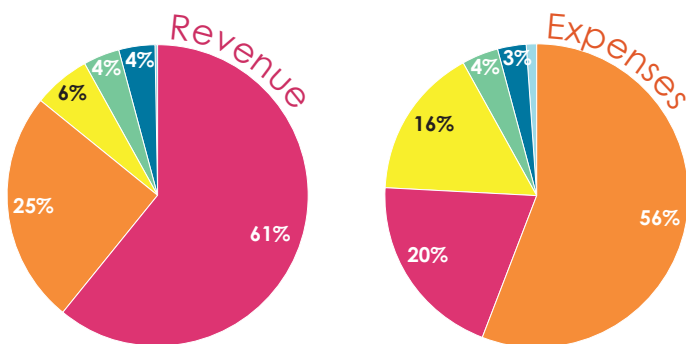
Your support of Wilder and the people we serve means more than ever. We have remained a strong, stabilizing force for families throughout the pandemic because of the dedication of our many partners, donors, volunteers and staff. I can't thank you enough for your faith in our mission and in this community.

The past year has been full of disruption and uncertainty, but it has also offered opportunities to learn and grow. For me, the pandemic has made it clear that Wilder can best support the Saint Paul community by leaning into our whole-family approach. We are finding ways to integrate our services and research more and more every day to make it easier for families to get what they need in one place.

The most important lesson from this year has been the power of resilience. Wherever I go within Wilder, I see people showing up for one another no matter how great the challenges. Our staff and volunteers continue to help children, adults and families navigate the strain of these times as they themselves experience it. The people we serve accept our support and use it as a launching pad to create a better life for themselves and their families. When we offer each other strength in times of great need, our entire community grows stronger. Thank you for making that possible through your support of Wilder.

Very best,

*Armando Amacho*



## Revenue

Sources of Dollars Used To Finance Operations  
(In Millions)

FY 2021

Government Contracts, Grants and Fees   61%	\$28.0
Contributions and Private Grants   25%	11.5
Consulting Revenues   6%	2.7
Wilder Foundation Endowment*   4%	1.7
Private Contracts, Insurance & Fees   4%	1.6
Other   0%	.1

**TOTAL OPERATING DOLLARS \$45.6**

\*Foundation endowment includes appropriated amount less endowment not spent.

## Expenses

Expenditures By Service Group  
(In Millions)

FY 2021

Wilder Programs   56%	\$25.9
Administration   20%	9.3
Wilder Research   16%	6.7
Fundraising   4%	1.8
Interest and Financial Expense   3%	1.5
Wilder Center for Communities   1%	.4

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## Wilder's Campaign for FAMILIES

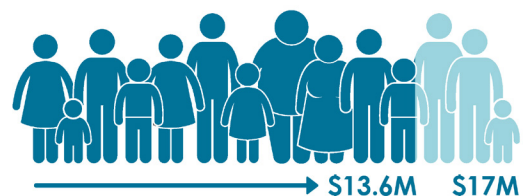
BUILDING A STRONGER SAINT PAUL  
One Family at a Time

The **Campaign for Families** was announced earlier this year and will strengthen Wilder's whole-family approach, and increase our impact in the community. To date, we have raised \$13.6 million dollars toward our \$17 million goal. These funds are already being put to use to help build a stronger Saint Paul, one family at a time.



**Your support will create lasting change in the lives of families:**

- \$9 million to stabilize thousands of families
- \$4 million to improve the mental health and well-being of our children
- \$4 million to build wealth through life-changing connections



[wilder.org/families](https://wilder.org/families)

# Demonstrating the power of resilience and courageous change in 2021

## Health & Wellness



- Healthy Aging and Caregiving
- Mental Health and Recovery

Supported the mental health and wellness of **2,074** individuals.

**462** older adults and caregivers were supported to age and care in community.

*"Through volunteering with Meals on Wheels, I've learned that sharing my time isn't as challenging as I once thought. It's not hard to set aside an hour a week, get some fresh air, and connect with people in my community."*

—Tracey Cross, Wilder Meals on Wheels volunteer



## Stability & Growth

- Early Childhood Education
- Housing Support
- Wealth Building



**1,705** individuals in 479 households received housing support.

**475** households were supported with money for back rent and utilities through the COVID-19 Housing Assistance Program.

*"Ms. Gloria, she kept telling me that I can do this, that it's all up to me. So I put my mind to it, and that's what I did. They helped me believe in myself."*

—Tonya B., participant receiving housing and wealth building support



## Connections & Partnerships



- Achievement Plus Community Schools • African American Babies Coalition & Projects
- Community Equity Program
- Saint Paul Promise Neighborhood

**500+ children** were served by the Saint Paul Promise Neighborhood and its partners through summer learning loss prevention programs.

**1,180** students representing 3 Achievement Plus Community Schools were served together with our partners.

*"Having those resources helped me be more confident. The fact that I've had people to lean on as I went along was just so, so helpful."*

—Priscilla, Community Equity Program graduate



## Information & Insights

- Data Collection and Survey Center • Research, Assessments and Evaluation • MNCompass.org
- MNHomeless.org



**156** organizations hired Wilder Research to conduct evaluations to understand what's working and what's not, and make effective changes.

**256** reports provided data and analysis used by Minnesota's leaders to make data-informed decisions to improve lives and communities.

*"Working with Wilder Research helped us to advance important goals to assess and improve safety and policing for our community."*

—Wokie C. Freeman-Gbogba, Assistant City Manager, City of Brooklyn Park



See how your support strengthened families and community! **wilder.org/2021**

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