



MINNESOTA FATHERS & FAMILIES NETWORK

2013 Annual Report

A Year of Progress



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A Message to our Friends

Our 2013 Annual Report

We are very proud to present our Annual Report, which provides an overview of our programming throughout the year. Minnesota Fathers & Families Network (MFFN) enhances healthy father-child relationships and family relationships by promoting initiatives that inform public policy and further develop the field of fatherhood practitioners statewide. As you review the annual report, you will see the work completed this past year, and we hope you sense the positive energy being brought to our organization.

A Year of Progress

The theme from our 2012 Annual Report was a *Year of Transformations*, and we described our plans to focus on our strengths and our desire to work smarter in 2013. In January, we offered MFFN's 10th Annual Summit, *The Spirit of Fatherhood: Nurturing the Body, Mind and Soul of Fathers*, to our statewide network of fatherhood practitioners. In April, we completed a three-year strategic plan to bring the organization through 2016, which was followed with a time and duty-specific work plan. Former Board Members, Molly Crawford and Jennifer Barshack were brought on in August as contractors, and they have shared their talents to assist us in accomplishing our planned tasks.

As a part of the work plan, the Board of Directors decided to postpone our regional Seminar Series from fall 2013 to the spring of 2014. Our newly designed and updated website was released in September. Through the entire year, our Board of Directors shared their expertise and leadership with our organization, and we ended the year with commitments to bring seven new members onto our Board of Directors.

Our Future

In 2014, we will continue to revise and update our Strategic Plan. You can expect to hear about the high-quality educational opportunities on which MFFN has built its reputation and that we will offer to our service providers; new publications including information sheets and a revised Daddy Book; stronger work in policy and advocacy, and the continued updating and improvement of our website. Thank you to everyone for your commitment to our work and your support for our continued success.

Lowell Johnson
2013 Board Chair



Our 2013 Summit

Celebrating our 10th Annual Summit.

MFFN held its 10th annual summit on January 28th and 29th in St. Cloud. The conference explored the importance of a deeper spiritual connection with our children and gave real suggestions to what fathers can do to foster that connection. The Summit challenged existing members and partners and engaged many first-time attendees to consider the role spirituality plays in male socialization, family relationships, and community engagement—and to consider the spirit of fatherhood. Many workshops complemented the keynotes on Spiritual Development in Family Life by Dr. William Doherty, on Men and Spirituality by Ted Bowman, and Staying True to your Spirit by St. Paul Catholic Charities CEO, Tim Marx. In addition to the presenters and exhibitors, more than 100 practitioners attended.

The Spirit of
Fatherhood:
Nurturing the
Body, Mind, and
Soul of Fathers

Our 2013 Excellence in Fatherhood Award Winners

MFFN honors individuals, programs, and organizations annually at its Minnesota Fatherhood and Family Services Summit. Recipients are nominated by others for their commitment and contributions to the fatherhood field. We presented the following awards in 2013:

Program of the Year: Family Services of Rochester FATHER Project

Organization of the Year: Northside Achievement Zone

We congratulate these two outstanding award winners and the work they do to support fathers.

Our Donors

MFFN thanks and recognizes the following funders and supporters of our organization:

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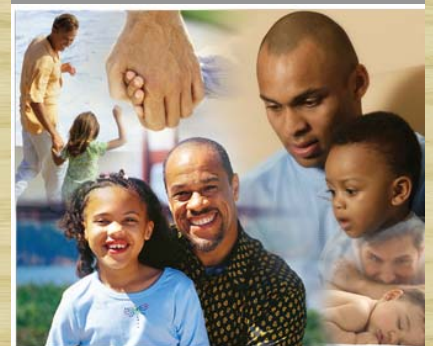
Jennifer Barshack



Our Mission Statement

MFFN promotes practices and policies that support positive father-child relationships and family relationships through informed practice, public policy and system change.

"Fatherhood Changes Everything. We're changing Fatherhood."



MFFN Revenue and Expenses

Revenue

Fee-based Programs	\$10,905
Foundation Grants	\$36,000
Governmental Revenue	\$16,286
Individual Donations	\$490
Membership Donations	\$600
Interest Income	\$1,458
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$7,476

Total Income **\$73,215**

Expenses

Administration	\$94,717
Program Services	\$12,955

Total Expenses **\$107,672**

Net Income **-\$34,457**

MFFN Balance Sheet

Assets

Cash, Checking/Savings	\$45,021
Cash, CD	\$86,825

Total Assets **\$131,846**

Liabilities **\$0**

Total Liabilities and Equity **\$131,846**