



# MBP ANNUAL REPORT

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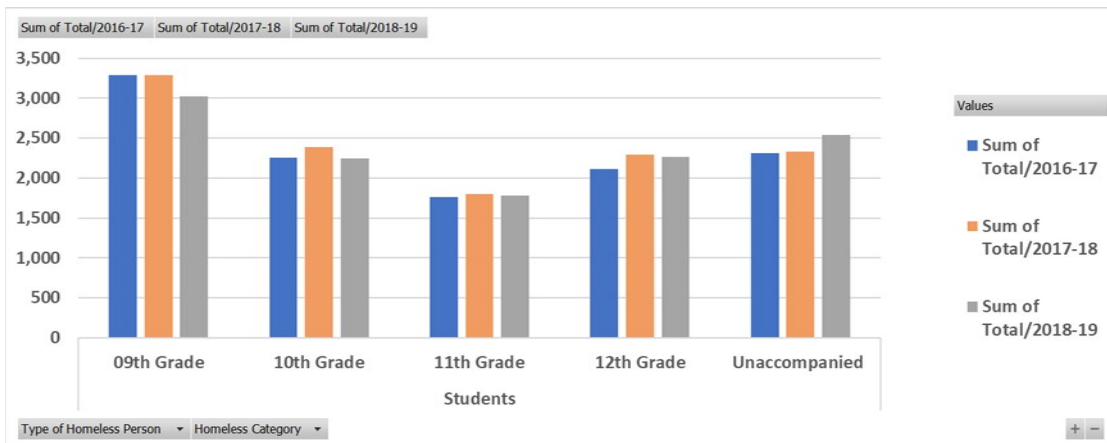


## The Issue:

Each year, an estimated 4.2 million youth and young adults experience homelessness, and 700,00 are unaccompanied minors.

In the state of Georgia between 2017 and 2018 homeless 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> graders showed an increase enrollment and a decrease in enrollment during 2019. The greatest decline in enrollment occurred in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade for all three years and the number of enrolled unaccompanied homeless youth increased over the three-year period.

MBP, INC_GA Homeless High School Students & Unaccompanied Youth Statistics			
Type of Homeless Person/Homeless Category	Sum of Total/2016-17	Sum of Total/2017-18	Sum of Total/2018-19
<b>Students</b>	<b>11,729</b>	<b>12,093</b>	<b>11,852</b>
09th Grade	3,290	3,290	3,020
10th Grade	2,254	2,383	2,241
11th Grade	1,757	1,795	1,782
12th Grade	2,114	2,294	2,268
Unaccompanied	2,314	2,331	2,541
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11,729</b>	<b>12,093</b>	<b>11,852</b>



These youth are at a higher risk of exploitation, abuse, assault, and illness. Yet many of them are choosing to remain in school. MBP was founded to support homeless teens and young adults choosing to pursue education despite their challenges.



## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

MBP mission is to address the number one factor for youth homelessness, the lack of a high school diploma or GED by providing a one-stop secure digital platform of resources that support homeless teens and young adults who choose education and training as the pathway to their dreams, by offering training to empower homeless female teens of color ages 14-19, by offering training for homeless teens and young adult females of color ages 16-24 transitioning into post-secondary education, and by partnering with Homeless Youth Service Providers in the Atlanta metro area to carry out services and programs.

## OUR VISION

To end the cycle of homelessness that crushes the dreams of homeless teens and young adults.

## OUR VALUES

- Accountability
- Excellence
- Fairness
- Freedom
- Honesty
- Justice,
- Leadership
- Service
- Truth-telling (integrity)

## MBP Board Officers

- Jacqueline Evans - Secretary
- Cassandra D. Glover- Chief Financial Office
- Rania Jackson – Development
- LaValla J. Wilson, PhD – Chief Operations Officer

## Volunteers

- **Digital Designer**  
Julian Soto
- **Social Media Manger**  
Cheyenne Sokkappa
- **Social Media Analysis**  
Xueyi Wang
- **Social Media Team Members**  
Sydney Melvin  
Uma Swift  
Joselyn Ventura

## HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020



Like much of the nation MBP's operation was impacted by COVID-19, we lost over \$2,000 dollars because our web designer Isaac Nathan Design was unable to deliver on its contract to build a web app and upgrade our website.

By the end of March 2020 it was clear that we needed to pivot, we applied for and received funds to restart the upgrade of our website while paying off the debt from Isaac Nathan Design. On July 10, 2020 MBP received a grant in the amount of \$1,000, on July 20, 2020 we received a donation of \$500.00, and on July 25, 2020 we received a loan for \$1,500.00. By the end of July 2020, we were able to begin addressing MBP's debt and to restart the redesign, rename, and update of our website but we were unable include the creation of the app component.



September of 2020 MBP launched its renamed, redesigned, and updated website Dream Connect. This work was key for branding, before these changes the URL and the name of the website were different, but they are now the same. <https://dreamconnect.org> .



October of 2020 MBP received a \$5,000 donation from "Have Mercy Ministry" to launch two pilot programs in 2021 for homeless female teens and young adults of Color ages 14-21.



Through Volunteermatch.com MBP added six volunteers to support MBP’s operation which allowed us to continue the upgrade of Dream Connect, establish our Social Media strategy with analytics, and to build our fund-raising capacity.



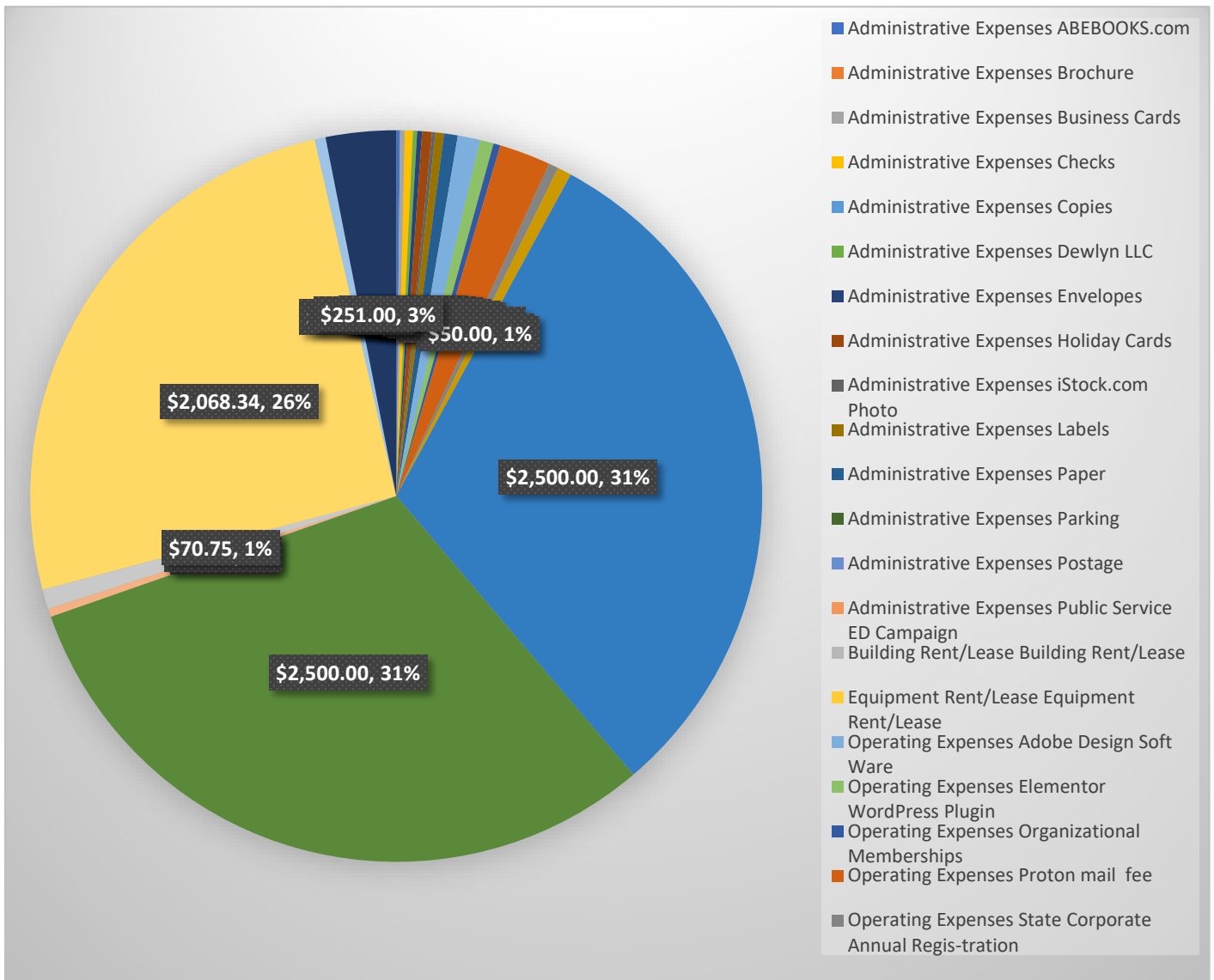
MBP created three publications in 2020 for use in MBP’s upcoming pilot programs. An Interactive Journal “Weaponizing Your Story” and two curriculums “Post-Secondary Education Transition,” and “Empowering Dreams Initiative.” We will copywrite the three works after they are perfected through use in our pilot programs.



September of 2020, Clayton County Public Schools in Georgia added Dream Connect to its website as a resource for children in transition.

FINANCIAL DATA

Mending Broken Pieces, Inc\_Expenses 2020\_JAN 2021





## DONORS

DONOR NAME	AMOUNT / LEVEL
Jacqueline Evans	\$500.00/1 Time
SBA Emergency Grant	\$1,000.00/ 1Time
Have Mercy Ministry Fund	\$5000.00/ 1 Time
LaValla J, Wilson, PhD	\$2,272.65/1Time





## CONCLUSION

MBP's accomplishments in 2020 will allow the organization to pursue its five-year plan starting January 1, 2021.

### MBP's Five-Year Plan

#### **Year 2021**

- Continue to develop MBP's Social Media presence through SEO development, Goggle Analytics, and Dream Connect periodic upgrades.
- Launch "Empowering Dream Initiative (EDI)" for teens 14-19 years of age, Spring 2021 and "Post-Secondary Education Bridge Program (PSEBP)" for teens and young adults 16-24 years of age, Spring 2021. Both groups will have 5 participants respectively and the target population for both are homeless female teens and young adults of Color.
- To establish a Homeless Teens and Young Adults Advisory Committee by December of 2021.
- Purchase computer equipment, lighting, WIFI, and a green back drop to conduct the virtual work of MBP.
- Establish MBP's fund raising strategy to raise at least \$10,000.00 dollars a year going forward to fund MBP's operation. To create, market, and sale merchandise (sweatshirts, t-shirts, and mugs) to support our fund-raising effort.
- Produce the five-year budget for the five-year plan and perform an annual evaluation of MBP's operation.

#### **Year 2022**

- Build community partnerships with homeless youth service providers to provide overnight emergency support to unaccompanied homeless teens and young adults, using a talk & Text plugin to communicate in real time with unaccompanied homeless youth in an overnight crisis.
- Publish the MBP's Journal and Curriculums
- Explore collaborating to create a digital process for updating homeless status for homeless teens and young adults attending post-secondary institutions for more timely receipt of funding and other necessary services.
- To add a part-time paid Administration Assistance.
- Continue all projects from 2021. Perform an evaluation of MBP's Operation.



#### **Year 2023**

- Expand programs groups participants from 5 to 10 participants.
- Explore virtual programming beyond the state of Georgia.
- Continue work on overnight emergency support & the advisory council.
- Continue all projects from 2021 & 2022.
- Perform an evaluation of MBP's Operation.

#### **Year 2024**

- Continue developing MBP's projects from 2021, 2022, and 2023.
- Perform an evaluation of MBP's Operation.

#### **Year 2025**

- Evaluate the five-year plan for future growth.
- Prepare new plans, budgets, with recommendations to update MBP's technology for operation and staffing.
- Continue all projects shown to be effective as we develop the next five-year plan.
- Perform an evaluation of MBP and its 5 Year Plan.

