

# William Penn House Annual Report FY 2013



## Mrs. Janey Boyd: A model of mercy in our midst

Over the past few years, I have had the opportunity to connect with Janey Boyd. Janey is in her mid-80's, a long-time DC resident (over 60 years), and has been in food justice work going back to the Kennedy administration. Our connection has been through the Mid-Atlantic Gleaning Network where she helps get crops from fields to poor families of all ages. We share a belief that when we work together, we can solve the world's problems better than when we myopically choose sides or focus on single issues. She is the kind of person who breezily says children can't learn in schools if they don't

get proper nutrition, which is why we can't let those good foods on the farms go to rot, but instead get them into the stomachs. This sums up our work together and the defining mission of Washington Quaker Workcamps. –Brad Ogilvie, Program Coordinator, (from Pennmanship, the William Penn House blog).

**Internships:** We are focusing a concerted effort on nurturing the leaders of the next generation. Each intern brings their own gifts and approaches. They apply their knowledge and experience of Quakerism, Quaker process and Workcamps to developing and leading the workcamps as part of our team. The interns first experientially learn about Workcamps, the kinds of service we do in DC, the importance of relationships in doing service (I often think that, without a relationship, there usually is not service), how things are connected, and the importance of critically thinking and questioning things. They will then be leading the process for Workcamps groups coming to DC and sharing the relations they establish, bringing a new dynamic of service and opportunities with them. In addition as part of the hospitality staff, they learn how to run a Quaker business.



**Our Environment:** Usually when we discuss ecology, we use the term “the environment” as if it is the responsibility of others. The discussions on Global Warming and Climate Change imply that the only solutions are 1) ignore the obvious, 2) too late, 3) it is the responsibility of the government, the corporations; anybody but me.

At William Penn House, we accept our role as part of the problem and we seek to be a part of the solution. **Peace**

**Garden;** we have replanted our front yard with native plants and vegetables. **Rain Garden;** we have converted our back yard into a rain garden. **Green Roof;** this spring we completed the installation of a vegetated roof on our Carriage House. These efforts have reduced urban run-off from our property by an estimated 80%, reduced our urban heat load and increased the viable habitat for birds. In addition, no residential staff member has an automobile and the rest of the staff commute to work by bus or by bike.

(Pogo, created by Walt Kelley (1913-1973) always spoke wisdom)

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**Hospitality:** We host over 6500 guests each year, folks who seek a better world through Workcamps, programs on issues of faith, engaging with local and world leaders. This high volume of guests takes its toll on this old building and its furnishings. We are in the process of repainting the interior, repairing that which can be repaired and replacing that which cannot be repaired.

This fiscal year has been a challenge. We increased the number of groups that stayed here, broadened and deepened the Workcamping program and made a number of improvements. But because we keep our costs low (below the actual costs of actually providing lodging) for these groups, and because the increase in the number of these groups has reduced our secondary stream of income from individual guests, our income was down. We're excited to have been able to host more groups, but after 10 years of growth in our income, this year has been a real shock. We have been supported by our generous donors and we will continue to rely on them. And, as always, we will strive to do more with less while maintaining our ministry to those who seek a peaceful and better world. This year we relied on our reserves to fund those programs that are so important to us.

		FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2013	FY 2014
		(Actual)	(Actual)	(Budget)	(Proposed)
Preliminary Financial		FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2013	FY 2014
Ordinary Income/Expense		(Actual)	(Actual)	(Budget)	(Budget)
Income					
	Lodging Revenue	234,000	220,000	307,000	250,000
	Program Revenue	63,000	45,000	0	50,000
	Contributions	60,700	52,000	60,000	55,000
	Bequests	15,000	0	10,000	0
	Grants	0	35,000	0	0
	Grants (Restricted)	21,000	0	0	0
	Investment	5,500	1,200	3,000	2,500
	Other Income	10,200	8,800	10,000	19,500
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>409,400</b>	<b>362,000</b>	<b>390,000</b>	<b>377,000</b>
Expense					
	Personnel	207,000	234,000	238,000	200,000
	Janitorial	20,000	16,500	20,000	0
	Building Maintenance	18,000	13,000	9,000	15,000
	Carriage House	19,500	19,500	7,500	0
	Utilities	18,000	17,000	19,000	18,000
	Program Expenses	70,000	64,500	70,000	80,000
	Insurance Expenses	3,900	5,000	3,800	4,000
	Fundraising Expenses	4,200	9,500	4,000	9,000
	Capital / Reserve	0	0	0	0
	General & Admin	28,000	25,000	28,000	23,000
	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>388,600</b>	<b>404,000</b>	<b>399,300</b>	<b>349,000</b>
	<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>20,800</b>	<b>-42,000</b>	<b>-9,300</b>	<b>28,000</b>

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