### UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY OF NEW YORK CITY

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United Cerebral Palsy of New York City, Inc. (UCP of NYC) is a leading nonprofit agency in New York City providing direct services, technology, and advocacy to children and adults with cerebral palsy and other developmental disabilities.

UCP of NYC is an award winning multi-service provider, community partner, and an employer of choice. We deliver more than 75 comprehensive programs - including healthcare, education, technology, residential, recreation, and habilitative services - to over 14,000 New York City residents and families annually.

# Accessible (ac•ces•si•ble):

### Defined by Merriam-Webster

Providing access; capable of being reached, easy to communicate or deal with; capable of being influenced; capable of being used or seen; capable of being understood or appreciated





At UCP of NYC we believe that accessibility is the difference between a life fulfilled and a life boxed in by obstacles. It means everything.

Accessibility enables individuals with disabilities to navigate their physical environment, communicate their opinions and ideas, pursue an education, have a job, and be accepted as contributing members of society.

Because access equals possibility and with possibility, bright horizons for the people we support - we are proud to help individuals with disabilities design their unique path toward the sun.

Together we are creating a more accessible, better integrated world.



The mission of United Cerebral Palsy of New York City is to create opportunities for people with disabilities to lead independent and fulfilling lives.















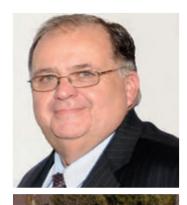








## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND BOARD PRESIDENT



he coming years, like those in the recent past for our field, will be filled with thoughts and ideas about how to shape our society and the world to be more accessible for people with disabilities. Why? For millions of people with disabilities, lack of accessibility is what prevents them from leading a productive and fulfilling life.

It's true that the Americans with Disabilities Act - celebrating its 25th Anniversary this year - created the legal framework for people with disabilities to become equally protected members of our society. We've made great strides in those 25 years but, it is also true that social and economic change lags far behind legal change. Countless people still rely on help for many of their daily needs when new technologies like those that can open doors, answer phones, control electrical appliances or even just help a person to learn and communicate - are only as far away as an iPad. All too frequently these advancements remain beyond the economic reach of the individuals who would most appreciate them. For many, a life of independence and earning a pay check remains a distant dream because both urban and suburban transportation systems have very few means of accommodating people using wheelchairs.

That's where we all come in. Our collective voices and the funds you've helped raise are starting to really bend the curve. UCP of NYC is putting iPads and new technology into the hands of children and adults with disabilities throughout New York City. Our housing, employment training, and community partnerships are enabling people with disabilities to access new opportunities and enjoy greater independence than ever before. Through our combined advocacy efforts, New York City is about to embark on a program to retrofit thousands of taxis to be wheelchair accessible, while businesses will be offered tax incentives for hiring individuals with disabilities.

Accessibility is essential to creating a better quality of life

for all New Yorkers. The struggle is far from over though. UCP of NYC remains committed to creating equal access for all. So should you. In the coming years, we will continue to devote a much of our resources to improving access to housing, employment, and integrated pathways for each of the lives we touch.

We owe a great deal to those who blazed the path toward legal accessibility. Now it's our turn to pay it forward. Thank you for helping to make accessibility a part of our brightest future. *Together*, we are creating opportunities for individuals with disabilities to lead independent and fulfilling lives.

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Edward R. Matthews Chief Executive Officer

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THE FOLLOWING ARE HIGHLIGHTS OF UCP OF NYC'S MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2012 AND 2013:



### UCP OF NYC AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Edward R. Matthews, CEO, recognized by United Cerebral Palsy (*National*) with the celebrated 2013 Kathleen O. Maul Leadership Award, as well as by the Bronx Developmental Disabilities Council with the 2013 Leadership Award
- Linda Laul, Chief Operating Officer, honored at the Asha Niketan Luncheon with the 2013 Leadership Award
- Amy Bittinger, Director of Operations for Family Support Services, wins the prestigious Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State Natalie Rogers Employee of the Year Award
- John Lombardo, member of UCP of NYC's Board of Directors, honored by the Association of Professional Fundraisers at the 2012 National Philanthropy Day Luncheon
- Beverly Ellman, Director of the Bronx Children's Program, honored by the Bronx Developmental Disabilities Council at their 2012 Awards Dinner



### UCP OF NYC MILESTONES

- Community Partnerships continue to expand, welcoming new collaborations with Polytechnic Institute of NYU, MOUSE, Sing for Hope, Harlem Food Bank Community Kitchen, Materials for the Arts, and many more
- With a grant from Komen Greater NYC, UCP of NYC creates a Breast Health Awareness video, narrated by actress Susan Lucci, for women with intellectual and physical disabilities
- UCP of NYC Artists exhibit art projects at the Port Richmond Public Library, Dumbo Arts Festival, Hobart William Smith College, and UCP of NYCs fundraisers, while also establishing a seasonal arts and crafts booth at Harvest Home Farmers Markets
- In the wake of Superstorm Sandy, significant funds are raised to invest in special needs equipment and support for individuals and families impacted by the storm
- iPADs, Smartboards, and Wii's are used in classrooms and lesson plans throughout all of UCP of NYCs Children's Education and Adult Programs
- NYS Housing Trust Fund and the NYS Office of Community Renewal awards UCP of NYC with a grant for the Doorways to Independence, Access to Home Program
- Launch of a new advocacy section on the UCP of NYC website that enables individuals, families, staff, and supporters to reach out to legislators on a variety of disabilities campaign topics
- Expansion of health and wellness activities including adaptive rowing, skiing, sledding, waterskiing, rock climbing and participation in the local Special Olympics and Achilles International Hope & Possibility Race
- Advancements in technology are rolled out across UCP of NYC: video conferencing in Family Connect Centers, iPads and SMART Boards in classrooms, a robust digital payroll system, and the launch of projects related to digital medical records, long term care, and communications technology
- UCP of NYC debuts new organizational video, narrated by Robin Givens, at the 2013 Women Who Care Luncheon (*visit* ucpnyc.org/about to see the video)
- Positive UCP of NYC stories covered by The New York Times, The Daily News, Fox 5, Good Day New York, NY1, News 12, PIX11, DNA info, and many more

## ACCESS TO HOME THE FRANCES FAMILY

Despite six year old Jaivaun Francis's multiple physical and developmental disabilities, his family is committed to giving him the best of everything, including access to a high quality education and life in the community. Like many of the youngsters UCP of NYC supports, Jaivaun requires assistance with daily tasks most of us take for granted – speaking, dressing, eating, bathing – and he also uses a wheelchair for mobility. Just imagine the anxiety his family felt when their sweet, bright eyed boy risked his safety daily just to attend school.

For years, six daunting steps stood between the Francis family's front door and the sidewalk. Jeuerda Francis, Jaivaun's father, desperately wanted his son to stay enrolled in UCP of NYC's School Age Program, so he built a steep, illegal ramp to get Jaivaun to and from the house. It was a dangerous fix, but the family couldn't afford a custom-built ramp.

One of Jaivaun's UCP of NYC teachers – intent on removing barriers to his education – told the Francis family about UCP of NYC's *Access to Home* (ATH) program. ATH subsidizes home modifications for low-income families facing accessibility issues. Jeuerda and his wife, Pricy, signed up immediately, crossing their fingers that help had finally arrived. After securing funding from NYS Division of Housing and Community Renewal and private donations, UCP of NYC set out to update the Francis family home. In addition to identifying a way to create a safe means of egress, UCP of NYC discovered an inaccessible bathroom that desperately needed modification. The planning process entailed evaluations, assessments, and approvals, including visits from an environmental psychologist, compliance officer, and the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

After months of preparation, UCP of NYC commenced installing an "attendant-controlled lift" for the front of the house and a remodeled ADA bathroom. The lift – a kind of outdoor elevator – now takes Jaivaun safely to and from street level to his front door. The new bathroom is ADAcompliant and wheelchair-accessible with a wider door, wall-hung sink, and roll in shower. To the Francis family, these critical home modifications, which cost roughly \$25,000, are priceless.

Because of UCP of NYC's support, Jaivaun is living barrier-free at home, safely attends his beloved school, and most importantly, enjoys access to a better quality of life.

Our family is so grateful to UCP for everything. Jaivaun gets a great education at their school...and now our home is safe. It's like they heard all of our prayers.





## ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY PAUL TUDISCO

s the world becomes more advanced, individuals with disabilities are the beneficiaries of remarkable innovations. Access to better tools means improvements in communication, mobility, and activities of daily life. New technologies are even helping individuals like Paul Tudisco broaden their horizon, placing "ability" front and center.

Born into a loving and supportive family in Bay Ridge, Paul's cerebral palsy never prevented him from overcoming obstacles in his life. Fortunately, his family had UCP of NYC to turn to when they needed support. As a youngster, Paul attended UCP of NYC's preschool, recreation, and camp programs. UCP of NYC's Doorways to Independence program installed a ramp and accessible bathroom in his home. When Paul graduated from public school and didn't have a clear path for his future, he returned to UCP of NYC to build new skills for his growing independence. "I had so much to offer, but no one was sure what my skills were yet," remarked Paul. When UCP of NYC introduced SMART Board technology into his continuing education classroom, the once quiet student quickly emerged from his shell, his world expanding tenfold.

After just a few short months Paul became a volunteer Teacher's Assistant for UCP of NYC classes using Assistive Technology. By assisting UCP of NYC students with interactive applications on iPads and SMART Boards, Paul helps his peers gain access to important course material. His unique perspective and increasing skill set has been instrumental in improving the quality of instruction in UCP of NYC's classes, particularly GED classes. "UCP of NYC saw I could be an asset, and when I was given the opportunity to help, I jumped on it" says Paul.

In addition to assisting his peers with technology, Paul has continued to expand his interests in computer science and repair. Encountering maintenance needs for the SMART Boards he and his teacher were using, Paul approached UCP of NYC with a proposal to go for technical training and earn his SMART certification. UCP of NYC raised funds to support Paul's course and he and his teacher are now trained to make repairs to SMART Boards. Despite not having full use of his hands, Paul can diagnose and help solve a variety of technical problems, "I may need help with the hands" says Paul, "but I have the brains to get the job done."

When not in a UCP of NYC classroom or helping fix Smart Boards, Paul can be found working with another group of students. In 2012, UCP of NYC engaged in an exciting partnership with NYU Polytechnic to deliver a transformational course in Disabilities Studies now in its second year. As part of the core curriculum, the course pairs college students with consulting self-advocates from UCP of NYC to gain a better understanding of life with a disability. These teams participate in semester-long projects creating a personcentered product that advances the goals of their consultant.

Paul is a veteran self-advocate and consultant to the course. He enjoys helping students gain a better understanding of his life, triumphs and challenges, and goals and wishes for all individuals with disabilities. His current team project continues from a prior semester where he presented a tech prototype to develop. With the help of his teammates Arif Azeez, a Computer Engineering Junior, and Marwan Aziz, a Mechanical Engineering Senior, Paul's NYU Poly team is in the design development phase of an innovative stylus that will facilitate individuals requiring hand over hand assistance greater control and increased independence.

This extraordinary partnership with NYU is helping students and consultants alike become more conscientious about universal design, diversity's role in innovation, and the importance of an open mind. Anecdotal evidence of the partnership's success is in the strong bonds formed between the teams and their self-advocate consultants. Teammates think of one another as people first, and are gaining life skills built on mutual respect and an understanding of ability before disability.

Through access to Technology Paul Tudisco is discovering his greatest strengths and finding the ambition to pursue his dreams of working in the tech industry.

## ACCESS TO INDEPENDENCE TERRENCE JAMES

errence James once dreamed of having a home to call his own. For him, home would be a place where he could do the cooking and cleaning, relax after a day of work, and entertain friends and family. Recently, Terrence's dream of accessing this degree of independence became a reality when UCP of NYC secured him a private apartment in a quiet, residential Brooklyn neighborhood.

Terrence was born healthy into a loving, close knit family. No one could foresee the difficulties he would face after a serious car accident would leave him seriously impaired by a traumatic brain injury as a young boy. Terrence and his mother emigrated from Guyana to NYC when he was a teenager, living together well into his adult life. Terrence relied on his mother to help him learn many of life's important skills and guide him along the way. Unfortunately, there were still bumps in the road to navigate.

When Terrence's mother discovered a lump in her breast, it was already too late. She was diagnosed with aggressive breast cancer leaving only a few short months to say goodbye and help Terrence find new direction. After his beloved mother passed, Terrence moved in with an aunt, but had to move again when she sold her house. He then moved in with his 93 year-old grandmother, but despite their close relationship, Terrence longed to live independently.

Like many New Yorkers with disabilities, Terrence waited on housing lists for years on end. Though he only reads at a second grade level, his intellectual disability never prevented him from wanting to work toward his goals. Terrence is employed as a storefront cleaner in Brooklyn, a job he takes great pride in, and while his part-time work generates enough income for him to be more self-sufficient, it is not nearly enough to rent a market rate apartment on his own.

Cynthia Mereigh, a homeowner in Marine Park Brooklyn, always admired the strong relationships she observed between UCP of NYC residents in her neighborhood and their landlords. So when she and her husband had a one bedroom apartment up for rent, they reached out to UCP of NYC. Claire McLoughlin, UCP of NYC's Coordinator of Individualized Support Services, put Terrence on a path to independence by match-making his dream to live alone with the Mereigh's need for a tenant.

The Mereigh's completely renovated the apartment and immediately took to looking after Terrence with warmth and generosity. UCP of NYC provided additional support to retrofit and modernize the bathroom, and purchased furniture, cookware, bedding, and other necessities. Beyond creating a clean and cozy environment, UCP of NYC secured enough funds from grants and Terrence's benefits to cover the rent, enabling Terrence to pay utilities with his earnings.

Now that Terrence is living on his own, he is excited to focus on activities that support his independence. Three times a week Terrence receives services from UCP of NYC's Community Habilitation (Hab) program, where he is provided support in areas like social, recreational, and daily living skills so that he can live successfully as a member of the community. Terrence and his Community Hab staff explore skill building, socializing in the community, and setting new goals for his independence.

As a diabetic, Terrence decided a first priority was his health. With assistance from UCP of NYC he got a library card, researched diabetes, and now works with his staff person to create menu plans, shop for ingredients, and cook nutritious, low sugar recipes he can recreate on his own.

Terrence is enjoying increased confidence in his ability to make good decisions about his future. He is thrilled to be developing his computer skills and with UCP of NYC's help he even applied for his first ever passport. Terrence hopes that with this "first" he will one day be able to visit family in Guyana.

For Terrence, independence is more accessible than ever. "UCP is always there" says Terrence, "All I have to do is call. They have changed my life."



## UCP OF NYC EVENTS WOMEN WHO CARE LUNCHEON 2012

UCP of NYC celebrated the 11th *Women Who Care* Luncheon on May 3, 2012 at Cipriani 42nd Street. The presenting sponsor of the event was Hearst Corporation.

Women Who Care was created to honor female role models representing various segments of the community. It is a celebration of women who have deep concern for others and who are passionately committed to giving back. The Women Who Care Luncheon celebrates those whose extraordinary accomplishments and great character have inspired women around the world to achieve their fullest potential. Women Who Care has become a New York tradition and generates worldwide media attention.

In addition to Cara Buono, Maria Cuomo Cole, Cynthia McFadden, Diane von Furstenberg, and Susan Lucci, celebrity presenters included: Camilla Barungi, Supermodel/Entrepreneur & Activist; Frank Bennack Jr., President and CEO of the Hearst Corporation; Maurice DuBois, Four time Emmy<sup>®</sup> winner & Anchor *CBS Evening News in New York*; Ellen Levine, Editorial Director of Hearst Magazines; Ali Stroker, Star of *The Glee Project*; Mike Woods, Meteorologist & Reporter, Fox 5's *Good Day New York*; and Kurt Yaeger, Star of the hit film *Dolphin Tale* and adaptive athlete.





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## UCP OF NYC EVENTS WOMEN WHO CARE LUNCHEON 2013

UCP of NYC was proud to celebrate the sold-out 12th Anniversary *Women Who Care* Luncheon on May 8, 2013, at Cipriani 42nd Street. The presenting sponsor of the event was Hearst Corporation.

In addition to Alan Alda, Robin Roberts, Lauren Bush Lauren, and Deborah Norville, celebrity presenters included: Frank Bennack Jr., CEO of Hearst Corporation; Ellen Levine, Editorial Director of Hearst Magazines; Mike Woods, Meteorologist & Reporter, Fox 5's *Good Day New York*; and Ines Rosales, Reporter, Fox 5's *Good Day New York*.





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## UCP OF NYC EVENTS 11TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT AND CELEBRITY DINNER

The 11th Annual UCP of NYC Golf Tournament was held on Monday July 23, 2012 at *Brae Burn and Century Country Clubs* in Purchase, New York. The annual tournament attracted 200 golfers from the tri-state area for a day of golf and entertainment in support of the vital programs delivered by United Cerebral Palsy of New York City.

The event was presented by the Carmel Family and Co-Chaired by Christopher Laul, HOK and John Lombar323do, Bank of New York Mellon. Jill Flint, star of the hit series *Royal Pains*, Hosted the golf tournament and Len Berman, Emmy-Award winning Fox 5 Sports Commentator, Emceed the dinner and entertainment.

UCP of NYC celebrated the inaugural presentation of the UCP of NYC Champion Award, recognizing individuals with disabilities who demonstrate the power to inspire and lead as role models for people with and without disabilities. UCP of NYC honored Frank Kineavy and Nicholas Gaynor with this important new award.







## UCP OF NYC EVENTS 12TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT AND CELEBRITY DINNER

The 12th Annual UCP of NYC Golf Tournament was held on Monday July 22, 2013 at *Brae Burn and Century Country Clubs* in Purchase, New York. The annual tournament attracted 200 golfers from the tri-state area for a day of golf and entertainment in support of the vital programs delivered by United Cerebral Palsy of New York City.

The event was presented by the Carmel Family and Co-Chaired by Christopher Laul, HOK, and John Lombardo, Bank of New York Mellon. Ryan Asselta, Fox 5's New York Sports Anchor & Sportscaster, Hosted the event and Alan Kalter, announcer from the *Late Show with David Letterman*, welcomed golfers with a live auction.

The 2nd annual UCP of NYC Champion Award, recognizing individuals with disabilities who demonstrate the power to inspire and lead as role models for people with and without disabilities was presented to Dick Traum and Scott Gellerstein.





















## UCP OF NYC EVENTS TEAM UCP 2012



On June 24, 2012, Team UCP participated in the Achilles Hope & Possibility 5 mile Race in Central Park.The event attracted over 5,000 participants, including celebrity support from the host of *The Daily Show*, Jon Stewart.

Team UCP one of the largest teams to join the Achilles Hope & Possibility 5 Miler, included over 200 registered team members consisting of staff, supporters, and Honored Racers—individuals with disabilities. Team UCP's *Honored Racers* accounted for over a quarter of the team and raced in a variety of capacities alongside athletes from all over the country. Team UCP was the second largest team and was made up of over 100 members, including staff, supporters, and *Honored Racers*: individuals with disabilities. The Achilles Hope & Possibility Race celebrates and inspires athletes of all abilities and 'walks' of life.

2012 Team UCP sponsors included, Pilot, Emblem Health, Carnival of Love, Logotherapia, MD Automotive, National Van, BLT Prime, and Vincent DiCalogero, CPA.





## UCP OF NYC EVENTS TEAM UCP 2013

On June 30, 2013, Team UCP participated in the Achilles Hope & Possibility 5 mile Race in Central Park. The event attracted over 5,000 participants and Team UCP remained one of the largest teams to join the race. With over 175 registered team members consisting of staff, supporters, and *Honored Racers*—individuals with disabilities – Team UCP set their highest fundraising record to date.

2013 Team UCP sponsors included, Pilot, Emblem Health, Carnival of Love, Logotherapia, MD Automotive, and The Hail-o Network.







## UCP OF NYC EVENTS SANTA PROJECT 2012

Beyond the core programs and services UCP of NYC delivers year round, proceeds from the *Santa Project* enable us to fund special needs equipment requests and purchase holiday gift cards for children and adults in our programs. Generous corporate partners, organizations, and individuals play an important part in helping us make the season brighter for the families we serve.

The 2012 Santa Project Reception and Silent Auction, was held on December 3rd at Chelsea hotspot Bar Baresco, and was co-hosted by Meteorologist for FOX 5's Good Day New York Mike Woods and model/entrepreneur Camilla Barungi of Project Runway fame. The Co-Chairs for the event were US Olympic Champion Tim Morehouse & Rachael Kun of 60 Minutes are Co-Chairs of the Santa Project Party & Auction.

2012 *Santa Project* Sponsors included World Quant, Pilot, Winston & Strawn LLP, HOK, JGPR, Lori Sokol, Sheila Lennon, Vincent Siasoco MD, Raj Capoor MD, and Jaishree Capoor MD.

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## UCP OF NYC EVENTS SANTA PROJECT 2013

The 2013 Santa Project Reception and Silent Auction, was held on December 3rd at the new Chelsea eatery Bocca Di Bacco. The event was co-hosted by Emmy-winning anchor of PIX 11 News, Tamsen Fadal and entrepreneur/activist/model, Camilla Barungi of Project Runway fame. Scott Stanford, Co-Anchor PIX 11 News and Isiah Whitlock Jr., star of The Wire, Cedar Rapids and Veep were Co-Chairs of the Santa Project Party.

2013 Santa Project Sponsors included World Quant, Pilot, HOK, Plan Architecture, JGPR, Goldman Sachs, and Levien & Company.

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## VOLUNTEER PROFILE CYNTHIA GOMEZ

Because of Cynthia Gomez, hundreds of children who attend UCP of NYC's Manhattan preschool programs have new winter coats every year.

UCP of NYC's children's program first came to the Philippine-born periodontist's attention in 2008 when she learned how some economically disadvantaged families struggle to meet the high financial demands of caring for a loved one with special needs. Gomez immediately swung into action, raising \$30,000 – \$300 per child – from friends, family and colleagues. The money enabled UCP of NYC to buy not only winter coats for over 100 children that first year alone, but also accessible, adaptive toys for young ones with developmental challenges.

"The thought that I was helping these kids stay warm for winter," says Gomez. "It makes you smile."

Not satisfied with these accomplishments, Gomez convinced her cadre of new UCP of NYC supporters to volunteer for the children's holiday party that she has now hosted for 5 years. The party start off the winter season on a bright note, featuring new coats, treats, and a bevy of volunteer singers, musicians, clowns, face-painters, storytellers and balloon artists.

Ready to pitch in whenever there's a need, Gomez also organizes a special Thanksgiving and winter holiday dinner for UCP of NYC adults and staff. As she is always trying to add a little extra fun to the mix, she donated a flat-screen TV and Wii to the Manhattan adult program, and has funded art supplies for UCP of NYC's many art programs.

Gomez, who came to America in 1984 to attend NYU dental school where – she graduated in the top-5 percent of her class – is reluctant to estimate how many hours she has volunteered to UCP of NYC or how much money she has raised or contributed.

"I know it sounds corny," she says, "but I am very blessed. I appreciate the fact that I have the ability and the means to share what I have, and United Cerebral Palsy of New York City makes it such a wonderful experience."

At UCP of NYC, we are beyond grateful for the love, support, and high energy of Cynthia Gomez. Through the passionate commitment of volunteers like Cynthia, we are making a significant contribution to the health and happiness of the children and adults we support. We are so proud to have a volunteer as remarkable as Cynthia in our corner.





### DONOR PROFILE | SCOTT RUTSKY

or Scott Rutsky, Partner at Proskauer Rose LLP, a childhood with four siblings – one of
whom has cerebral palsy – meant learning from a young age not to take ability for granted and to appreciate other people's differences.

Three years ago, Scott decided to join his father AI on UCP of NYC's Board of Directors. When his mother passed away his brother Neil's care became too much for his father alone, so Neil moved into a UCP of NYC residence where patient, knowledgeable staff attend to his daily needs. Scott sites the impressive quality of care provided by UCP of NYC as one of the primary reasons he joined the Board, "Neil has significant needs, it's just amazing the amount of coverage and care he receives" said Scott, "I wanted to join the Board to further UCP's mission, to help out any way I can."

Joining the Board of Directors gave Scott both the chance to give back to an organization dear to his heart, as well as help him understand the variety of ways UCP of NYC is supporting families. "As a family member, I knew a lot about my brother's residence at UCP" Said Scott, "but I was amazed to discover the level, breadth, and scope of work UCP does in other areas – classroom attention, clinical care, job training – naturally, I felt inspired to do more."

On New Year's Day, January 2013, Scott led his Temple's annual Polar Bear Plunge to raise over \$40,000 in funds and awareness for UCP of NYC. Each year Westport, Connecticut's Temple Israel picks a different cause to raise money for and with Scott's urging they chose UCP of NYC. To Scott and his friends, the Polar Bear Plunge is more than just an invigorating dunk in the 40 something degree Long Island Sound, they call it "Freezin' for a Reason." A great reason, indeed.

UCP of NYC is fortunate to have Scott Rutsky serve on our Board of Directors. He is engaged, philanthropic, and truly understands how he is helping to effect change in the lives of the individuals and families we support.

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# IN MEMORIUM | HILDA SAULT SLOAN

ilda Sault Sloan demonstrated true passion, care, and concern as an unforgettable leader and visionary for UCP of NYC. Hilda was a member of UCP of NYC's Board of Directors for 58 years and was a past president of the Women's Division. With her late husband, and former fellow Board member, Irving Sloan, she founded and supported three dedicated UCP of NYC Sloan Fitness Centers. Hilda Sault Sloan devoted her entire adult life as a volunteer to the UCP cause, both on a local and national level.

Hilda's roots as a volunteer began early on with the Women's Division. During her early years raising public awareness and support for UCP, Hilda also found love. Although Hilda and her late husband, Irving, both lost their original spouses, they met and married through their mutual work on behalf of UCP. In addition to being loyal and valuable Board members for UCP of NYC, they served on the National Board of Directors. Through her undying devotion to UCP of NYC, Hilda quickly proved to be a superb organizer. She chaired the first Transportation Corps, which organized volunteer drivers and vehicles to get non-ambulatory children and adults to medical appointments and other activities. She also ran the UCP of NYC thrift shop in Manhattan and organized the Women's Division's first Gamboling Gala at the Park Avenue Hotel.

By 1960, Hilda became the National Chairman of the First Women's Committee at UCPA, helping to organize auxiliary Women's Divisions and encouraging the inclusion of women on Boards of Directors at affiliates nationwide. She led in this capacity for ten years and then served as Vice President of UCPA. In 1963, President John F. Kennedy appointed her to the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

Hilda believed that everyone can and should have access to exercise, particularly those who have been unfairly denied opportunities. With her commitment to this belief, she and Irving established fitness centers at three UCP of NYC locations, beginning with the first in 1998. Today the Fitness Centers feature high-quality equipment and programming specifically designed to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities.

Throughout her nearly six decades of service to UCP of NYC, Hilda Sault Sloan tirelessly sought positive results, public awareness, and improvements in the quality of life for the children, adults, and families supported by UCP of NYC. The result of her commitment speaks volumes; her work was remarkable and she left an indelible impression on many pages in history.



# IN MEMORIUM | JANE LYONS

ane Lyons, former Executive Director of Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation Center and Home and mother of Gregory Bates who lives with UCP of NYC, served selflessly on UCP of NYC's Board of Directors for nearly 20 years. Known for her tireless work as an advocate for many worthy causes, Lyons put her heart and soul into advancing the mission of UCP of NYC.

Lyons had a gentle but powerful way of making a difference for organizations serving people in need. She focused the majority of her attention on leveling the playing field for individuals with disabilities, fostering access to education and health care, and enriching the cultural life of her community. Lyons was respected for the knowledge and dedication she brought to her work both as a professional and a volunteer.

When Lyons moved to Meiers Corners, Staten Island with her son, Gregory Lee Bates who has cerebral palsy, the area was a Democratic stronghold. With an everincreasing desire to have an impact on her community, Lyons became involved with the party's campaigns and was later appointed as a special aide –the first African-American and first female – to serve in the borough president's cabinet. Her impact on the community led to many important recognitions including being awarded the Advance Woman of Achievement, for her work as an executive member of the NAACP and her board service with UCP of NYC. She went on to be named one of the Top 100 Black Achievers in New York City of the 20th Century by the Schomburg Center for Research. She served as Basileus of Lambda Chapter, Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority, an organization of professional African American women. She received the Salvation Army Community Service Award, Soroptimists International Staten Island Women of Distinction Award, and the Good Scout Award from the Staten Island Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Of great concern during Lyons' tenure at Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation Center and Home and after retirement, was the preservation of Sea View's history. In the 1980's Lyons was instrumental in establishing the first state health care museum and hosted Mayor Ed Koch at the rededication of Works Progress Administration murals – which she played a vital role in resurrecting – on the Sea View campus.

Lyons touched the lives of so many people. She will be sorely missed by her community, her fellow board members, and everyone at UCP of NYC.

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- Supported Employment

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- Healthcare Services
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- Residential Services
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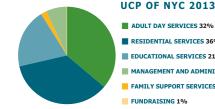
# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 2012 & 2013

With revenues from individuals, corporations, foundations, government contracts, and Medicaid funding, we assisted over 14,000 children and adults with disabilities and their families through more than 75 programs during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012 and 2013.

		FY 2012	%		FY 2013	%
WE RECEIVED REVENUES FROM:						
GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS AND MEDICAID	\$	99,835,000	96%	\$	99,957,000	95%
WE WERE SUPPORTED FROM:						
GRANTS, CONTRIBUTIONS, SPECIAL EVENTS,						
INTEREST AND GAIN ON INVESTMENTS	\$	4,055,000	4%	\$	4,778,000	5%
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE AND SUPPORT	\$103,890,000		100%	\$104,735,000		100%
WE PROVIDED PROGRAMS COSTING:						
ADULT DAY SERVICES	\$	33,519,000	33%	\$	34,224,000	32%
RESIDENTIAL SERVICES	\$	35,813,000	36%	\$	37,397,000	36%
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	\$	21,172,000	21%	\$	21,842,000	21%
FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES	\$	1,854,000	2%	\$	1,895,000	2%
TOTAL DIRECT PROGRAM SPENDING	\$	92,358,000	92%	\$	95,358,000	91%
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	\$	7,543,000	7%	\$	8,027,000	8%
FUNDRAISING	\$	760,000	1%	\$	854,000	1%
TOTAL MANAGEMENT, GENERAL,						
AND FUNDRAISING	\$	8,303,000	8%	\$	8,881,000	9%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1	100,661,000	100%	\$	104,239,000	100%





**UCP OF NYC 2013 EXPENSES** 

- RESIDENTIAL SERVICES 36%
- EDUCATIONAL SERVICES 21%
- MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION 8%
- FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES 2%
- FUNDRAISING 1%



UCP of NYC has Programs located in:

# BRONX • BROOKLYN MANHATTAN • STATEN ISLAND



UCP of NYC received accreditation for a period of three years by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (*CARF International*) for its Community and Employment Services, including Day Habilitation, Residential (*with medically fragile designation*), In-Home and Freestanding Respite (*with medically fragile designation*), Medicaid Service Coordination, and Supported Employment Programs. 100% of our programs surveyed received accreditation.



The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) recognizes UCP of NYC medical clinics as Patient-Centered Medical Home (*Level 2*). The NCQA Patient-Centered Medical Home standards emphasize the use of systematic, patient-centered, coordinated care that supports access, communication and patient involvement.







































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