

**Administrator's Report: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2014**  
**CUMI ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**  
Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015

The Committee for the Upliftment of the Mentally Ill (CUMI)  
January 2014 – July 2015  
Brandon Hill

The Committee for the Upliftment of the Mentally Ill (CUMI), Annual General Meeting Report for the period January 2014 – July 2015.

August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the Brandon Hill Rehabilitation Day Centre – CUMI, celebrated 24 years in service to the community.

**The Client's**

For the period, CUMI rehabilitation activities programme facilitated and delivered the services to **4,081** client visits, ratio - male to female **8:5** and the meals served **7,226** (breakfast 3,601, lunches 3625). Three (3) clients are employed, 2 with the National Solid Waste Authority (work project) and 1 with Hall's Investment.

The new admissions/referrals came from the Psychiatric Department, Night Shelter or / and the Community, (new admissions = 9, re-admissions=9).

CUMI made 2 referrals to the Psychiatric Department or via the PEMT (Psychiatric Emergency Maintenance Team) to assist clients in maintaining prolong stability/ wellness. **1** client was admitted to Orthopedic Surgery.

Support services from the Psychologist and Counsellors, (gift-in-kind) assisted the CUMI life coping skills rehabilitation programme with diagnostic therapeutic support and in the wellness/stability maintenance of clients. (Dr. Bell, Ms. Berry and Mrs. Fray).

January 2014, & returned visit the December, Dr. Halstead and students from the University of St. Joseph, Connecticut - USA, visited CUMI and July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 the groups did an On-Line fundraising and raised US\$730.00 for the building of the client's outdoor concrete showers. The cost was US\$560.00 and the remainder was deposited to CUMI JMMB US account.

December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 – Ministry of Labour representative visited CUMI to enroll the clients on the National Disability Registry. (This registry qualifies person's with disabilities to apply for small loans to start self help income projects).

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 – Dr. Halstead and University of St. Joseph student's 2nd fundraising/ donation to CUMI clients, US \$1,045.00, proceed deposited to JMMB US account.

July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Open Heart Charitable Mission administration requested CUMI assistance with the rehabilitation of 6 Night Shelter Clients.

July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 – For client's education, the St. James Health Department/Type 5 Health Centre, presentation on "Sexual Health": HIV, STI's and the Preventions.

During 2014 – 2015, the CUMI Day Centre experienced several intrusion from thieves and unwanted persons, (zincs stolen from the roof of client's bathrooms, etc), Hawkeye and Excel Security responded.

**Children's Programme**

February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014, a new contract was entered into with the only child remaining in the programme. She was provided with home placement and full support for her continued education

and general well-being. December 2014 she refused to continue with the agreement as per contract and decided to return to the home/caregiver in Flanker. This brought the CUMI Children's Programme to an end.

### **General Business**

KPMG Chartered Accountant services conducted audits for 2013 and 2014. These Audit Reports along with the completed Annual Return under the Charities Act 2013, Form 8 were submitted to the Charities Act office, Montego Bay.

August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015, email/letter from KPMG - Karen (c/o Jody), refers to conversation re: KPMG notice of resignation as CUMI's auditors, due to increasing cost; (the audit reports are up-to date, most recent 2014).

July 2014 - Tax Administration of Jamaica refunded CUMI \$382,500.00 which represented withholding tax deducted from one of the CUMI JMMB Investment.

January 2014 - The SSMC Media Production signed a contract for 1 year with CUMI to have the entertainer Prissy G act as ambassador and provide community service support to the CUMI Day Centre.

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014, SSMC Media Production hosted a luncheon and entertainment for clients and staff.

January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014 - First Heritage Cooperative Credit Union, Union Street, did a 'Can Goods Drive' and donated boxes of canned items to CUMI.

January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 - The National Prayer Breakfast identified CUMI as the 2013 beneficiary/recipient.

April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 - United Way host Charity Act Consultation, (re: new Charity Act 2013)

May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 - Labour Day: West Jet team identified CUMI as a Labour Day project and painted the building exterior.

June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 - the Consulate General of Jamaica – Toronto, Canada, coming out of Jamaica 50<sup>th</sup> celebration donated Canadian \$1,000.00 to CUMI.

June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014, (letter dated) - CUMI registration under the new Charities Act Authority-DCFS (Department of Cooperatives and Friendly Societies), approved charity registration for June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – expire June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – Registration # CA 100.

July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Kiwanis of Providence provided the CUMI Clients with entertainment treats.

August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – the St. James Parish Council commenced 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday's Homeless Committee meetings.

September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Donald Brooks, B.A. & D Gospel Production contributed part proceeds to CUMI.

September, 2014 – CUMI landline telephone #952-8737, malfunction and out of order through to June 12, 2015. A refund (\$6,626.66) credited to CUMI after repairs.

December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Christmas Carol Service entertainment for CUMI Clients by Albion Primary & Junior High School.

January 2015 – Monthly Donors increased their contributions (Cargo Handlers, Saffack, JMMB, R. Whitfield and J. Shirley).

February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – The Custos Event Fund Committee contributed donation to CUMI - (Trina, Lynn, Kathryn, Sonia and other team members attended)

March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – J. Wray & Nephew re: Premier, '50 Shades of Gray', proceeds of \$70,000.00 contributed to CUMI, (received 15.07.2015).

May 20<sup>th</sup> – June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Frank and Milena fundraising project – 'Faces of CUMI' You Tube documentary linked with Paypal and new US account at Sagicor Jamaica (11.06.2015  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLRKK00KIiRJY9U25cgzNtg>

**September 2015** CUMI Come Run Fundraising Committee, **Press Launch was held August 13<sup>th</sup>, at Pier One and Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015** – the 7<sup>th</sup> successfully staged run/walk at Tryall.

***2013 and 2014 'Thank You' letters sent to all donors and contributors.***

### **Staff**

2014 – 2015 – All Tax/Statutory Deductions paid and up-to date - current.

February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – CUMI accepted Miss L. Shaw resignation.

July 2014 – Nurse Clarke-Ricketts joined CUMI staff.

October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 – Simone accounting services terminated and all the accounting documents and pay slips commence preparation c/o Mrs. Fray's office.

January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – New Staff pay slips and monthly statutory deductions calculations c/o Accountant through Jane's office.

2013, 2014 and 2015 - Staff attended workshops: St. James Red Cross (Caribbean Vulnerable Coalition HIV/Rights) and Dr. Bell, Psychologist (Art Therapy).

### **Visitors and Orientation**

March 17<sup>th</sup> – July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014, groups of social worker students visited CUMI for practicum experience.

April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014, the St. James Poor Relief Board of Supervision visited CUMI re: Miss Sarah.

March 9<sup>th</sup>–13<sup>th</sup> 2015 –James Madison Alternative Annual Spring Breaker's, 13th year (group of 14).

March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – Green Pond High School Community Day, student sponsored lunches for CUMI clients.

CUMI accommodates and orientate many local and international visitors/ students from various learning institutions as volunteers and community service providers.

This year, CUMI also accommodated 3 international Spring Break groups:

*The James Madison, Florida and Georgia Universities - USA.* The local institutions partners are: Utech Nursing School, UWI School of Nursing, Faith Allied Institute, HECOIN School of Nursing, IUC Social Work & Psychology students, Citizen Security and Justice Programme (CSJP), National Youth Service (NYS) and Tourism Product Development Company (TPDCo) summer volunteers, community colleges and high school students etc.

Faith Allied Institute Practical Nurses – groups of 10, University of the West Indies –

groups of 14, University of Technology – groups of 7, Northern Caribbean University social workers – groups of 2, Central Connecticut State University (nursing students) - USA, M Square Creative Studio, Christian Chiropractic Association - USA, Young Burlington Community (USA), c/o Lisette Barajas & Michael Ramos – Art Sessions, Hemmingay Prep School, Montego Bay Training Centre, Portland Rehabilitation Management trainees, Open Heart Charitable Mission Care Centre & Night Shelter Staff, Help Network (Ojay Duhaney), Church of God Seventh Day Adventist – Over the River (St. James), Belmont Four Square Church (USA), Joan Duncan Foundation (Kim Mair), Unique Vacations Ltd Sports & Social Club c/o David Heath and Psychiatric Nursing Aide Trainees: (Hanover, Trelawny & St. James).

The CUMI rehabilitation day centre collaborates with the Cornwall Regional Psychiatric Department, Type 5 Health Centre, Open Heart Charitable Mission (Care Centre/ Night Shelter) and with support from other faith base organizations, the networking provides and compliments the Community Social Services Safety Net and the delivery of community mental health care to support the motto, *‘there is no good health without good mental health’*.

#### Acknowledgment of Donors

#### ***Monthly Pledges /Cash Donors:***

Jamaica Money Market Broker’s (JMMB), HART Group of Companies (Cargo Handlers & Saffack Ltd), - ***Individuals:*** R. I. Whitfield, J. Shirley; ***sporadic:*** Mr. & Mrs. R Graham, M. Makela (USA), KPMG, Eglin Sovereign Rose, Albion Primary & Junior High School and Montego Bay Christian Academy.

***Gift-In-Kind Donors:*** Jimmy’s & Regal Bakeries, **Lunches** - Burchell Baptist & Faith Temple Churches and Half Moon Golf Tennis & Beach Club, Cooking Gas IGL - Hall’s Investment Ltd/M. Hall, Guardian Group Insurance ***Sporadic:*** Hemmingay Prep School and Ms. H. Kerr (Lighthouse of Faith Int’l), the Media (electronic and print). *Heather Smit - Webmaster/ Smart Designs*  
**Psychologist services:** Dr. Bell, J. Fray and S. Berry, **Legal Services:** J. Hall-Hamilton.

***There were many other donors who made single contribution in cash and/or gift-in-kind.***

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\*\*\*\*\* Big Thank You to all the Supporters\*\*\*\*\*

#### **CUMI’S MISSION STATEMENT**

**To reach out and advocate for the homeless and other mentally ill persons of Montego Bay (St. James) and within the limits of resources available, attempt to improve their level of physical and mental health as well as their basic quality of life.**

**Chairperson :** Dr. Pearnell Bell, **Directors:** Jane Fray -*Treasurer*, Sonia Daley-Clarke - *Secretary*, Joy Crooks – *Nurse Administrator*, Catherine (Trina) DeLisser, Muriel ‘Ann’ Newnham – *Children’s Programme Coordinator*, Norma Graham  
(Honorary members: Lloyd B. Smith, Victor Wong and Ron Good)