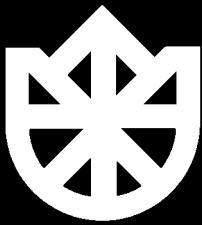


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**2001:
The Year
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**Annual Report
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Corporation**



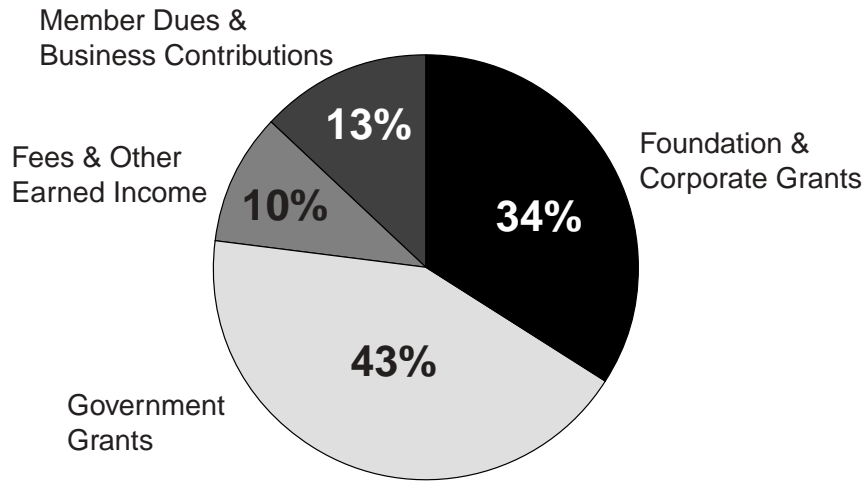
The late Massachusetts Congressman and Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Thomas Philip "Tip" O'Neill, advanced the now popular wisdom that "all politics is local." President George W. Bush, in his 2002 State of the Union Address delivered on January 29, 2002, articulated a number of goals for our nation's domestic policy which offer encouragement for community-based initiatives. In the pages of GNPDC's 2001 Highlights, we quote from the President's address, and offer a report of our collective efforts within one of the nation's greatest cities. Indeed, if "all politics is local", then so, too, are the means by which even the boldest federal domestic agenda is given life, and the opportunity for fruition.



Greater North-Pulaski Development Corporation Calendar Year 2001 • Sources and Uses of Funds (unaudited)

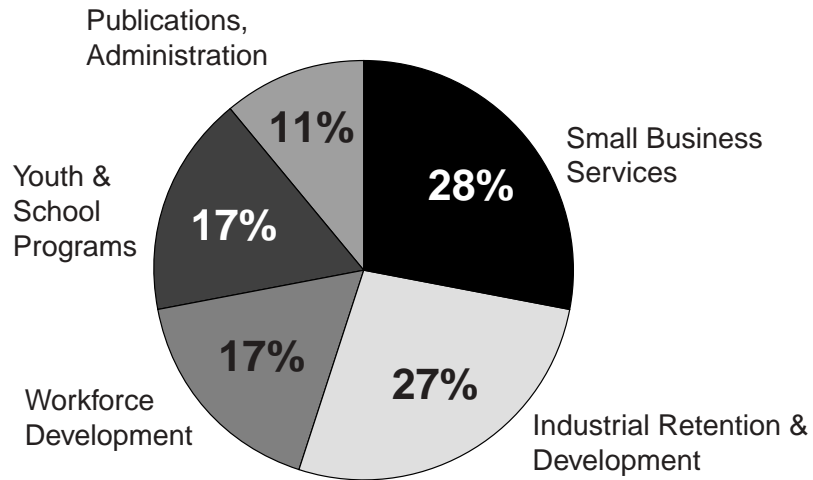
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Total Revenues: \$690,308



Uses:

Total Expenses: \$713,981



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“Our country needs citizens working to rebuild our communities...”

“We need mentors to love children...”

Since GNPDC kicked off its **Send-a-Kid to Camp** program nearly ten years ago, the number of Humboldt Park volunteers who participate, and thereby serve the needs of the community’s children, has mushroomed. Back in 1992, a group of twenty children, aged six to twelve, and four adult counselors were sent to Camp Penuel in the heart of the Missouri Ozarks. Then, as now, the kids were offered a respite from the pressures of the city. At this non-profit Christian camp, which serves needy children from across the country, the youngsters benefited from recreational and team-building activities with the adults close at hand. With subtlety and loving guidance, the youth have been offered alternatives to the influence of gangs.

In the years since, as these children have grown into young adulthood, some have become counselors and role models for younger children within GNPDC’s youth programs. Slowly and surely, a self-generating community building process has emerged. GNPDC now fills the camp to its capacity for one week each summer. Because of the volunteerism of our business leaders, the camp’s capacity has grown. With their personal philanthropic donations, the GNPDC Board of Directors financed the construction of two additional cabins for the camp. Housing eight campers each, these cabins increase the annual capacity of the camp by over 500 children.

During summer of 2001 over 130 Humboldt Park children, accompanied by twenty-four adult counselors, participated in GNPDC’s Send-a-Kid to Camp program. The children, too, learned to give something back to their community in exchange for the experience. Children participated in two community projects: a neighborhood industrial area cleanup sponsored by Alenite LP and a visit with elderly neighbors at Chicago Reach.

Kids Club originated a few years after Send-a-Kid to Camp was developed. Its purpose is to strengthen the bonds between the adults and the campers upon their return to Chicago. The Club meets on Monday evenings throughout the school year at Kelyvn Park. Through continued after-school recreation under adult guidance, the positive experiences of the camp and the sense of community stay with the children over the long term. During 2001, seventy-five children were enrolled in Kids Club, with average Monday evening participation of from fifty to sixty youngsters.



Campers enjoy themselves on Lake Killarney

Volunteers 2001

Send-A-Kid to Camp & Kids Club

Johana Alegria
Leticia Bardac
Madelin Contreras
Daniel Cruz
Nellie Marroquin
Floralma Miranda
Sylvia Morales
Gines Nelson

Jadis Ocasio
Frances Pizarro
Jose Luis Quinones
Norma Quinones
Aura Ramos
Maria Rivera
Julian Rogel
Martiza Rogel
Francisco Rosario
Tomas Sanabria
Benigno Torres
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Carmina Veytia

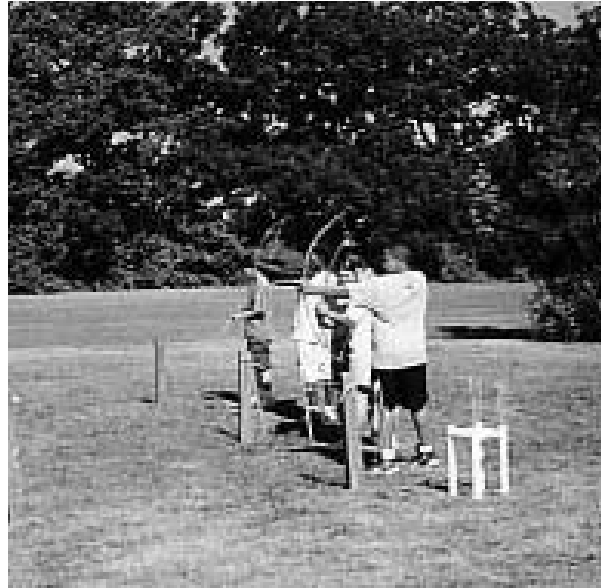
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Older youth, aged thirteen to nineteen, are offered the opportunity to participate in GNPDC's **Teen Leadership Club (TLC)**. The program is predicated on the principal that "tomorrow's opportunities depend upon responsible, informed choices made today."

This program fosters collaboration between parents, teachers, business leaders, and other volunteers to offer comprehensive guidance for older youth. Teenaged participants are recommended to GNPDC by their school counselors, community group, or church leaders. This program builds upon the recreational guidance model applied for younger children at Kids Club, and offers homework tutoring, urban cultural experiences, and personal goal setting. During 2001, a new recreational element was added, as a TLC baseball team – the Red Sox – was organized through the Humboldt Park leagues. The TLC meets on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., with an average participation of fifty youth. Youth may receive tutoring Monday through Thursday after school.

This program funded in part by a grant from Best Buy Children's Foundation.

For a week in the summer, a group of 30 youth attended the **Teen Leadership Camp**. The teens and counselors traveled to YMCA's Camp Hastings in Lake Villa, Illinois for a week of recreation and group activities. The teens also went to Great America for a day, right down the street from the camp. As in previous years, these young people organized a community car wash to help raise needed funds for the camp program.



Teens learn archery at Camp Hastings



Two TLC participants on an ice skating field trip downtown

Volunteers 2001

TLC & Teen Camp

Mariely Agosto
Johana Alegria
Tony Cotto
Kim Gerena
Martha Gines
Bobby Gonzalez
Adam McClain
Luis Nieves Jr.
Karenly Ortiz
Emely Perez
Ruth Roman
Syndia Roman
Francisco Rosario
Inette Rosario
Anthony Santiago
Cristina Santos
William Santos
Alicia Villareal

"Americans who have lost their jobs need our help..."

"When America works, America prospers; so my economic security plan can be summed up in one word: jobs."

Outplacement Assistance

The unfortunate fact of industrial exodus has plagued the Northwest Side of Chicago disproportionately since GNPDC's genesis in the late seventies. In a number of these cases, GNPDC has assisted in outplacing employees by mobilizing GNPDC's membership to hire from the ranks of the dislocated workers. This began during the early 1980s, with one of the most high profile efforts, on behalf of the employees of the former Playskool Toy Factory. GNPDC provided its member network with information about the available workforce, including skills, tenure, experience, and pay ranges where possible. GNPDC area businesses showed, through their preference for local hiring, that they valued workers with experience within the immediate community. In the middle 1980s, a rash of plant closures rocked the Northwest Side, and GNPDC did similar interventions for the dislocated employees of Armstrong Blum, and Kreuger-Ringier.

During calendar 2001, GNPDC worked on behalf of dislocated PSW Industries employees, and elicited the announcement of 42 positions available within 26 GNPDC member companies. A similar effort was undertaken on behalf of 30 employees at Login Bros. Warehouse, and GNPDC has begun work with Unilever executives to bring the same advocacy to bear on behalf of manufacturing plant employees.

Employment Placement

After conducting applied research funded by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs and the U. S. Economic Development Administration, GNPDC developed its successful role as an intermediary, linking employment placement agencies with neighborhood based employers. This linkage—the Employment Placement

Network—builds the comfort level that employers seek in order to hire reliable, well-referenced workers. During 2001, 40 job openings from 26 different companies were posted, resulting in 31 referrals and 8 placements.

Workforce Success Network

A unique collaboration between GNPDC and the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL) was put into place during 1999, with funding from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. GNPDC business participants were provided with skills needs assessments for all employees, including supervisory and executive levels. Through a series of meetings with workers and supervisors, problems and opportunities for skills enhancement leading toward better morale and higher productivity were identified and implemented. Enhancing the supervisory skills of mid-level managers was an oft-stated need. Supervisory training sessions were designed and implemented during the year, and were attended by an average of twelve companies per session. Several GNPDC member companies aggressively addressed another commonly identified need—improving the English speaking skills of the workforce. —Advantage Cutting and Gasket developed an on-site English as a Second Language (ESL) training program. Their model was followed by Freedman Seating, who trained over 40 of their employees, and LDR Industries. Other initiatives catalyzed by the Workforce Success Network include the efforts now underway by All Products Automotive to develop a warehouse and organization training program along with a training manual. GNPDC is working with Humboldt Park Economic Development Coalition to set up a Printing Industry Collaborative with Kennedy King College to train entry level workers.

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English as a Second Language

In response to the growing need for English competency among area workers, GNPDC created its own community-based ESL program in 1996. Originally staffed by volunteers during the evening hours at a neighborhood church, the program now operates out of rented classroom space, with eight paid teachers, and a day-care provider. The original appeal of the program—neighborhood-based instructors and a local location—has been retained as the structure of the program has been strengthened and the facilities improved. The unique attribute of the program continues to be its sensitivity to the particular communication needs of the individual workplace. Curriculum is shaped based upon interviews with company staff. Remedial math and computer skills training have been added at the advanced level in direct response to stated employer needs. Basic budgeting and banking skills are also offered through Bank One, an ongoing sponsor of the program. In May 2001, 71 students celebrated the completion of one semester of ESL classes, and 60 additional students enrolled for second semester.

Past and current sponsors of GNPDC's English as a Second Language Program include:

The Chicago Community Trust
Daniel Kaufherr Charitable Trust
Bank One
Polk Bros. Foundation
Old Kent Bank



ESL Students combine language and computer learning

"Good jobs begin with schools..."

The goal of GNPDC's **Grants for Education** program is to foster a mutual, community-based effort to enhance the effectiveness of local schools, and improve the caliber of the future workforce. GNPDC created the program in 1996 to offer a structure and an incentive for the productive collaboration of businesses, students, and professional educators. The program also serves as a vehicle through which business leaders can better engage with children and families, thereby strengthening community. Over two dozen grants, totaling over \$25,000, have been awarded since the program's inception. Every Spring, proposals are elicited from schoolteachers and administrators throughout the GNPDC service area. An all-volunteer committee evaluates the proposals, and selects those that most

closely address the goals of the program: to produce tangible results within one year's time, while enhancing the educational experience through effective collaboration between the school and a business partner.

2001 Grant for Education Committee:

Jane Wintroub, Chair	<i>All Products Automotive</i>
Ora Anderson	<i>DePaul Ctr for Urban Ed</i>
Eva Aquino	<i>Banco Popular</i>
Jose Illianes	<i>Luis Muñoz Marin Primary Ctr</i>
Michael Roth	<i>Lane Technical High School</i>

The Grants for Education program is supported through generous grants from LaSalle Bank and All Products Automotive.

During the 2001-2002 school year, the following Grants for Education were awarded:

Wright Elementary School, with business partner Chicago Transit Authority

\$1,550 to assist children in designing and writing greeting cards. CTA staff are mentoring the children in reading and writing. CTA marketing teams impart advertising and marketing skills. Cards will be marketed and sold in several well-known downtown stores.



Pablo Casals Elementary School, with business partner Extra Newspapers

\$1,200 to build the journalism department, and increase student involvement in the design of the school newspaper. Seventh and eighth grade students are being trained as editorial staff, editing and selecting stories important to their school and their community.

Mozart Elementary School, with business partners Cafe Penelope and Saranecki Bros. Catering

\$1,600 to enable the creation of a feast, to spotlight the creation of pottery representing cultural designs. Students are taught about the catering business, nutrition, diet, and health issues.

Yates Elementary School, with business partner United Family Mortgage

\$1,600 to assist childrens' understanding of mathematical concepts and operations such as number patterns, fractions, and ratios. United Family Mortgage employees provide mentoring, and children use everyday food items to understand and apply different math concepts.

At left, a Wright student proudly shows a sample of the card he created. The card samples were posted on Chicago Avenue CTA buses

"Good jobs also depend on reliable and affordable energy..."

Through the State of Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, GNPDC has worked to promote the **energy efficiency programs** of Peoples Energy Corporation and Commonwealth Edison. GNPDC contacted 185 companies to assist them with energy conservation measures during 2001. In conjunction with Center for Neighborhood Technology, GNPDC also worked

to promote the Community Energy Cooperative. Through this initiative, businesses are encouraged to curtail energy consumption. Commonwealth Edison pays rebates to the cooperative, which in turn pays its members according to their performance. Forty area companies are being targeted for this program, which got underway in late 2001.

“The way out of this recession, the way to create jobs, is to grow the economy by encouraging investment in factories and equipment...”

Industrial Corridors Development

Since its inception, GNPDC has worked individually and collectively with industrial companies in the Northwest, Pulaski, and Grand-Armitage corridors to plan and implement development objectives for sustained growth and vitality.

In 1990, the Economic Development Commission of Chicago hired GNPDC to produce the Grand-Armitage Corridor Industrial Development Plan. GNPDC laid out development scenarios for the 62-acre vacant Galewood Yards site, documented the market for industrial expansion, and the potential negative impact of housing development in the Corridor. With the advent of the City of Chicago’s Model Industrial Corridors program in 1994, the Northwest Industrial Corridor was the first in the city to undergo a year-long strategic planning process, with the objectives of keeping the corridor safe, functional, competitive, manageable and attractive. Two years

later, in 1996, the Pulaski Corridor also went through a strategic planning process to identify and implement improvements. In both of these corridors, a steering committee of business, community and political leaders was created. This committee identified and prioritized goals and objectives to improve security and truck accessibility, develop labor force skills, foster property development, market each corridor’s identity, and guide beautification efforts. Since these plans were completed, over \$12 Million in capital expenditures, and an additional \$12 Million in industrial real estate development have been invested within the corridors.

The 1200-acre **Northwest Corridor** runs along Cicero Avenue from Lake Street to Fullerton Avenue. Its 220 industrial companies employ 17,000 workers, of which 50% are community residents. During 2001, the reconstruction of Armitage Avenue and the viaduct clearance improvement at 4600 W. Armitage were implemented, in accordance with the plan.

Project	Improvement	Year	Cost
Kinzie, Pulaski to Kenton	Reconstruction	1995-96	\$ 2,000,000
Walton, Iowa, Rice, Kilpatrick to Cicero	Reconstruction	1998	1,200,000
Kilbourn Avenue at Kinzie	RR Grade Crossing	1997	500,000
Grand Avenue at Kenton and Lamon (2)	Viaduct Clearance	1998-99	3,100,000
Grand Avenue, Pulaski to Cicero	Resurfaced	1997	500,000
Kostner Avenue, Division to Armitage	Resurfaced	1996	750,000
Cortland Avenue, 4500 and 4600 blocks	Resurfaced	1997	60,000
Cortland Avenue, 4500 block	Streetscape/Parking	1996	130,000
Kilbourn, Chicago to Augusta	Resurfaced	1997	40,000
Banners (57) and Locator Signs (2)	Installed signs	1997	70,000
Keeler, Schubert to Parker	Resurfaced	1999	100,000
Armitage, Cicero to Central Park	Reconstruction	2001	1,075,000
4600 W. Armitage	Viaduct Clearance	2001	200,000

Major Capital Improvement Projects identified by Steering Committees in Strategic Model Corridor Plans

Left: Northwest Corridor (plan completed in 1995)

Right: Pulaski Corridor (plan completed in 1997)

Grand Total: \$12,102,500

Note that some costs are estimates

The **Pulaski Corridor**, which runs along Pulaski Road between Bloomingdale and Belmont, is about 400 acres. It is home to 6,000 workers in 140 firms. Many of the recommended infrastructure improvements have been completed, or are currently planned. These include an upgraded traffic signal at Palmer; and viaduct clearance improvement at Armitage and Springfield. With the assistance of Alderman Ray Suarez (31st) the viaduct and underlying street at 2300 N. Pulaski were improved during 2001. Additionally, Primrose Candy Company was issued an Industrial Development Revenue Bond for \$4 Million to expand operations at 4111 W. Parker. The project retains 170 full-time jobs, and creates 16 new jobs.

The **Grand-Armitage Corridor** will welcome Lakin General Corporation in 2002. This third generation, family owned machine parts maker will occupy the now cleared site of the former Archer Daniels Midland complex at 1815 N. Laramie. Lakin's \$7.2 Million project will retain 80 jobs and create 40 new ones for Chicago residents. GNPDC worked diligently to prepare the site for development since 1991, first by pushing for Tax Increment Financing District designation and demolition of the dilapidated ADM buildings, and then by working with the Department of Planning to conduct environmental analysis of the site to remove cost impediments to development.

With the support of Local Initiatives Support Corporation, GNPDC commissioned a market study, and a traffic analysis that justified further infrastructure investment in the corridor. In 1998, Bloomingdale and Dickens Avenues were reconstructed at a cost of \$1 Million to provide improved truck access for corridor



Before & After: viaduct on Pulaski Road at Belden



companies. The year 2002 marks the construction phase of the Central Avenue Bridge, which spans the 62-acre vacant Galewood Yards, in the heart of the corridor. With slip ramps as part of the \$17 Million project, Galewood Yards will become accessible for planned industrial park development. Also in 2002 GNPDC looks forward to collaboration with the 25th District Community Policing Office, in the interest of improved security and safety for the site, and its surrounding companies. After over ten years of consistent advocacy by GNPDC, both the ADM and

Galewood sites have been primed for industrial development and job creation for local residents.

See page 13 for information on the Local Industrial Retention Initiative Program (LIRI)

Project	Improvement	Year	Cost
Diversey Avenue viaduct	Viaduct Clearance	1996	\$ 750,000
Palmer Street at Pulaski	Modernized Signal	1997	75,000
Karlov, Schubert to Diversey	Resurfaced	1998	40,000
Metra Embankment, Belden & Pulaski	Landscaping	1998	17,500
Springfield, Cortland to Armitage	Resurfaced	1998	60,000
Banners (25)	Installed signs	1998	20,000
Pulaski at Belden	Viaduct Clearance	1999-2000	1,300,000
Armitage at Springfield	Viaduct Clearance	2001	115,000

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Lending and Loan Packaging

Since its inception, GNPDC has fostered new investment through loan packaging and direct lending to job-producing companies. During 2001, these activities remained brisk despite the economic slowdown. Though most financial institutions implemented stricter underwriting standards, GNPDC was able to provide entrepreneurs with access to capital using innovative credit enhancement programs.

Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

The RLF was created in 1996 with a \$375,000 commitment from the U. S. Economic Development Administration, matched by \$125,000 of equity from GNPLDC (the lending subsidiary of GNPDC.) The fund was targeted to companies unable to access capital from traditional financing sources at reasonable terms.

During 2001, GNPLDC lent \$388,000 to five companies, which created more than 50 new jobs and retained over 100. The RLF helped leverage an additional \$2 Million in private funds, either in the form of owner equity or bank loans.

"In the face of tough economic times and stricter credit markets in 2001, Greater North-Pulaski was able to effectively support local entrepreneurs through the Revolving Loan Fund program," explains Fred McClendon, Vice President of Northern Trust Bank and Chairman of the GNPDC Board of Directors. "The RLF loans issued by GNPDC in 2001 embody the very purpose of such a community lending program: to expand access to capital and promote local business development and employment."

The individual projects are summarized in the adjacent column.

Left to right, NM International Owners, Nayana and Mahendra Oza receive a check from James Lemonides, GNPDC CEO

See page 15 for a report on the Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

Cutting Edge (1823 N. Monitor) The RLF funded a \$100,000 gap in a project totaling \$1 Million. This financed the relocation of this die cutting company from a fourth floor location in the near south side of Chicago, to a much larger first floor facility on the west side. Cutting Edge brought 48 jobs to the area and created 5 new jobs.

Victory/Planters Inc. (1820 N. Major) \$100,000 in RLF funding filled the gap in this \$400,000 project. The company, one of the oldest in the GNPDC community, chose to expand on site rather than relocate to a suburban location. Forty jobs were preserved, and five new hires are forecast during 2002 for this manufacturer of awards and trophies.

Economy Inc. (3850 W. Cortland) \$70,000 in RLF financing helped the owners make a balloon payment to the company's previous owners. Eight jobs were preserved.

NM International (1900 N. Austin) Owner of this metal exporting company was unable to secure business expansion financing because of his non-resident temporary visa status. GNPLDC extended a loan of \$66,000 to the company.

Quantum Visual Merchandising (1238 N. Kostner) An RLF loan of \$52,000 enabled this manufacturer of point of purchase displays to complete critically needed building repairs prior to winter. Forty jobs were retained and at least two new ones are forecast during 2002.



Bank One/SBA Community Express

Launched as a pilot program with Bank One and the U.S. Small Business Administration in 1999, Community Express targets financing to low/moderate income census tracts, or to minority/female entrepreneurs in Chicago. GNPDC closed one of the first two loans in the country during the program's charter year.

Caroline Goldstein, CRA Market Coordinator at Bank One, describes the important role that GNPDC plays in the Community Express Partnership: "GNPDC has been an integral part of Bank One's success with the SBA Community Express program in Chicago. The technical assistance they provide helps new borrowers, who are often receiving their first loan from a financial institution, put together strong loan packages. GNPDC's technical assistance has also been invaluable in keeping our existing Community Express borrowers on track with the growth and development of their business."

Five businesses received Community Express financing through GNPDC loan packages in 2001:

International Intelligence Agency (2738 N. Kildare) \$200,000 loan package enabled this collateral recovery agency to expand into a larger facility.

Shoreline Management and Development Corporation (1126 S. Central Park) \$90,000 enabled this company to diversify operations to include cable and auditing services.

GED International, Inc. (1333 N. Kingsbury) \$75,000 loan helped this broker of OEM parts stabilize cash flow, and greatly increase sales going into 2002.

Corona Supermarket (4247 S. Kedzie) \$75,000 loan for building renovation, equipment and inventory enabled a minority entrepreneur to fulfill his dream of owning a grocery store.

BlueStaff Inc. (1212 N. Ashland) \$25,000 loan enabled the startup of this job placement agency.

ACCION Chicago Microloan Collaboration

GNPDC has emerged as one of the principal organizations providing assistance to ACCION microloan applicants. At the close of 2001, six borrowers had received financing from \$2,500 to \$10,000, and one additional loan was pending.

Munoz Vision (2034 W. Fulton)
\$10,000 loan enabled minority-owned importer of eyewear to purchase inventory.

SelfStake Services, Inc. (5154 W. Waveland)
\$10,000 loan helped establish an e-business site for online registration by owners and trainers for standard breed staking.

Bozek Day Care (7024 W. Imlay)
\$10,000 enabled owner of day care center to complete renovations and meet City codes to obtain a special use permit.

Keystone Printing (6160 W. Grand)
\$6,000 loan for the purchase of paper.

H.A.K. Multimedia (5606 W. Henderson)
\$6,000 loan to purchase technical equipment and advertising to launch multimedia CD-ROM business card service.

Stephon's Wear (4111 W. North Avenue)
\$2,500 start-up loan for female/minority owned clothing store.



A RLF loan helped retain this QVM employee's job

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"My call tonight is for every American to commit to the service of your neighbors..."

Share the Spirit Holiday Food Drive

In the service of our neighbors, GNPDC solicits the participation of area businesses in an annual effort to feed the community's hungry. Over 500 families (2000 individuals) received food packages during 2001. GNPDC thanks the following companies and individuals who participated in 2001:



A Lava & Son
ACCION Chicago
Aetna Bearing
Alenite LP
Alert Plumbing
All Pro Tire & Auto/Goodyear
All Products Automotive
Alpha Baking Co.
Joseph Antognoli & Co.
Arzt Foundry
Bakery Chef
Banco Popular:
 3800 W. Fullerton
 4801 W. Fullerton
 5900 W. Irving Park
 4842 W. Irving Park
 1445 W. Chicago
Barry Elementary School
Becker Dairy
Bickerdike Redevelopment
CARC - WestTown Center

Carastar
Carl Goldberg Models
Century Metal Spinning
Chicago Boiler & Mechanical
Chicago Turnrite Co.
Cintas Corporation
Citation Box
Cole Taylor Bank
Colovos Company
Columbus Foods Company
Cragin Metal Products LLC
Cudner & O'Connor Co.
Cushing & Co.
Dehler Manufacturing
VJ Dolan & Company
Ecoco
Electric City Corporation
Fan Bag Co.
A. Fischer Tool & Machine Wks
Foote-Jones/Illinois Gear
Freedman Seating

Funston Elementary School
Goethe Elementary School
Haggerty Enterprises
Harbro Packaging
Jose de Diego Elementary School
Mr. & Mrs. CJ Lemonides
Nels & Liz Leutwiler Foundation
Magid Glove & Safety
Marshall Fields
Matthews Roofing
Midwest Fence
Misión Voz del Altísimo
Nationwide Acceptance Corp.
Northwest Armory
O'Leary's Contractors
 Equipment & Supplies
P-K Tool
Parkview Metal Products
Pastorelli Food Products
Planter Inc.
Pride Container
REB Steel
Rebaño Compañerismo Cristiano
Roeser's Bakery
Rogers Textiles & Trims
St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital
Sethness-Greenleaf Inc.
Solar Spring
Teri Lingerie Co.
30th Ward Office - Ald. Wojcik
United Metal Finishers
Von Humboldt Elementary School
White Cap LLC
Wilkens-Anderson
Wipeco Inc.
XpedX Paper & Graphics
Zenith Fabricating

(GNPDC regrets any unintentional omissions or errors)

“We want to be a nation that serves goals larger than self...”

During 2001, the GNPDC Board of Directors established an Endowment, the **GNPDC Community Fund** to ensure the continuity of programs that respond to the most fundamental needs of the people within the community. Endowment giving is the act of caring about people and wanting to make a difference in their lives—even when you are no longer there to see your gift being used. By giving the gift now, you can touch people’s lives in the future.

Gifts made to the fund would be kept in perpetuity—untouched except for the income—to support the organization’s charitable purposes and programs. These programs address the needs of children, through such initiatives as Send-a-Kid to Camp, Teen Leadership Club, and Kids Club. Their educational opportunities are enhanced through programs such as Grants for Education. People are also given a hand up the career ladder through workforce development initiatives like English As A Second Language classes and programs like the Share the Spirit Food Drive provide food for over 500

impoverished families during the year-end holiday season.

Donors may contribute to the Community Fund with gifts of cash appreciated securities, and planned gifts such as bequest under will, whole or part of an insurance policy, or designation of the Fund as a remainderman in a charitable trust.

Donors who contribute \$5,000 or more in an outright or planned gift become members of the GNPDC Legacy Society. A “named” account is established and is permanently identified with the Community Fund. Donors who contribute \$25,000 or more may designate which program the income may endow.

The goal is to fully endow all GNPDC programs so new gifts may be used to support new charitable endeavors. During 2001, the Community Fund was initiated through GNPDC members’ voluntary contributions above and beyond membership dues. Approximately \$9,000 was collected, with an additional \$10,000 committed during the charter year.

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Local Industrial Retention Initiative (LIRI)

Now in its 17th year, the “LIRI” program, pioneered by GNPDC on behalf of the City of Chicago, continues to provide the most basic of services for the Northwest Side manufacturing base: personal contact with each company owner/manager, and the provision of resources and assistance as necessary. The program also serves as a building block for other initiatives involving industrialists as a group, including organizing for Corridor development and TIF designations. During 2001, GNPDC and the City of Chicago began a collaboration with Commonwealth Edison to survey industrial executives

and produce trend reports. These will assist in addressing any specialized needs of Chicago’s industrial base.

2001 LIRI by Numbers:	
LIRI Execs Contacted/Assisted:	377/247
City Assistance:	79
Site Location Assistance:	23
Financial/Technical Assistance:	35
ComEd industrial trend reports	56

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GNPDC Members

Members and other supporters of GNPDC have committed to collective efforts on behalf of their broader community.

A A la Carte Inc.
A Lava & Sons
Able Molded Plastics
ACCION Chicago
Ace Industrial Supply
Advance Screw Products Inc.
Aetna Bearing
Alenite L.P.
Alert Plumbing & Heating
All Products Automotive
Allied Metal Company
AMCO Corporation
Anixter Center
Antognoli & Company
Association House
Austin Special
Award Printing Corporation

B Back of the Yards
Neighborhood Council
Bakery Chef
Banco Popular Illinois
Belmor Autotron Corporation
Bethel New Life
Blackman Kallick Bartelstein LLP
Brach's Confections
Brite Site

C CARC Industries
Camins Tomasz Kritt
Cano Auto Electric Inc.
Caraustar
Carl Goldberg Models Inc.
Carnicerías Jimenez Inc.
Centerpoint Properties
Century Metal Spinning Company
Chambers Gasket & Manufacturing

CheckMate
Chicago Boiler & Mechanical
Chicago Dowel Company Inc.
Chicago Dryer Company
Chicago Jobs Council
Chicago Pipe Bending & Coil Co.
Chicago Youth Centers - Centro Nuestro
Choi Brothers Inc.
Chromium Industries
Cintas Corporation
Cloverhill Bakery
Cole Taylor Bank
Colovos Company
Columbus Foods Company
ComEd
Community Home Supply
Cosmopolitan Bank & Trust
Cragin Industrial Supply Company
Cragin Metals LLC
Cudner & O'Connor Company
Cushing & Company

D Damron Corporation
DeCardy Diecasting
Deb's Auto Body
Dehler Manufacturing
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V.J. Dolan & Company
Drummond Industries
Wm. Dudek Mfg. Company
Durite Screw Corporation

E Eazypower Corporation
Economy Inc.
Elite Labor Services Ltd.
Energy Choices Inc.
Erva Tool & Die Co.

F FCI Inc.
Fan Bag Company
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Freedman Seating
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Grainger Industrial Supply
Grand & Cicero Car Wash
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Grinding Specialty Company

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Habilitative Systems Inc.
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I - K Illinois Manufacturing Institute
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Mid-City Die & Mold Corp.
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Murphy & Miller Inc.

N Nation Pizza Products Inc.
Nationwide Acceptance Corp.
NewlyWeds Foods
Nobert Plating Company
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O O & G Spring & Wire
Forms Specialty
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Small Business Development Center

Growing the community's job base means cultivating new entrepreneurs and potential employers.



Through the State of Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, the Small Business Development Center at GNPDC provided:

2001 SBDC by Numbers:

332 first-time business start-up consultations
26 continuous consultations

Seminars/Workshops:

Presentation to ESL Students February 28th
Business Insurance March 8th
Business Resource Fair May 10th
Business Displays June 20th
Energy Information December 4th
Incorporating Your Business December 6th

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