



In March, **Mr. Edward E. Kral**, a former Director of Personnel for the Cleveland Municipal School District, a member of the Ohio Educational Credit Union Board of Directors, and active in many other charitable endeavors, made a donation for the purpose of establishing an Endowment Fund at St. Malachi Center. He gave the gift of \$10,000 with the condition the donation was matched. This Endowment Fund Challenge was announced at Soup for the Soul 2008. That evening, the challenged was exceeded with a total of \$12,390, pledged or given, by guests. In

Mr. Kral's words: *"I have elected to start an Endowment Fund because I admire and respect the good works being done by St. Malachi Center through its various programs for the poorest among us. The Endowment Fund was chosen as a means for financial support for St. Malachi Center because a fund of this nature will continue giving long after I and other donors have left this world. I hope and pray that others will join me in contributing generously to this Endowment Fund."*

Another donor, who prefers to remain anonymous, was so moved by the response to the initial challenge that he pledged another \$10,000 to the Endowment Fund with the condition that this \$10,000 also be matched. At the end of the fiscal year, the new endowment fund totaled \$25,465 with donations expected to meet the second challenge within the next fiscal year. The future work of St. Malachi Center is assured with the help of these two very generous donors and all who helped meet their challenges. Earnings from the Endowment Fund will provide a permanent source of funding for St. Malachi Center and its operation and mission.

## ENDOWMENT

### Individual gifts \$10,000 to \$19,000

Mr. Edward E. Kral

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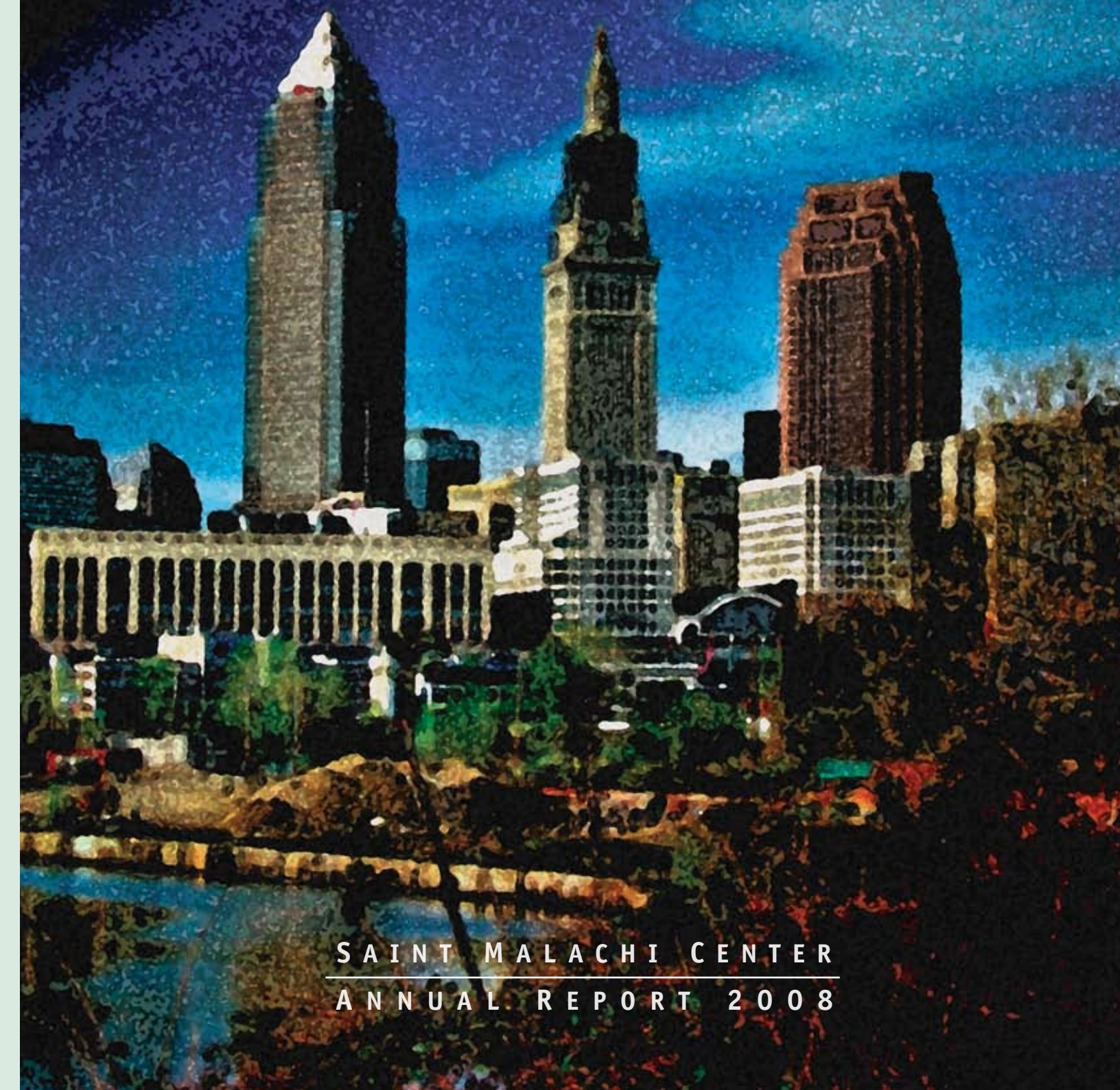
The mission of St. Malachi Center is to  
Empower the Individual  
Nurture the Family  
Build the Community



ST. MALACHI CENTER

EMPOWERING THE INDIVIDUAL + NURTURING THE FAMILY + BUILDING THE COMMUNITY

Let us build the city of God.  
May our tears be turned into dancing!  
For the Lord, our light and our love,  
has turned the night into day!



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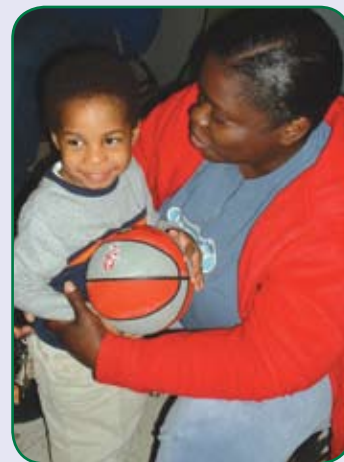
Since 2005, St. Malachi Center has offered a family literacy and job readiness program called **Partners for Progress**. Partners assists parents, mostly single moms aged 18-35, in getting their GEDs and preparing to enter the workforce. The idea is to empower these parents by helping them attain a stronger educational foundation with which to break the cycle of

poverty for themselves and their children. In the program, adults work daily on academics, computer training and GED preparation. The program also addresses job search, using tools available on the internet; job readiness, such as interview coaching and appropriate behaviors in the workplace; parenting, addressing healthy choices for families; and life skills, where parents can discuss all the issues they face and receive counseling and coping strategies. Childcare is provided and bus tickets are given to each participant to assist them in getting to the program each day.

At St. Malachi Center, Partners for Progress participants are more than a statistic. They are real families, working to become self-sufficient, productive role models in their communities. They want the opportunity to enrich their lives and the lives of their children. They want to enjoy the gratification of achievement. Daily, participants and staff remind each other that there is a purpose for this program and that each day everyone is present, reaching their goals becomes more real. Seeing participants succeed is more than just a quantitative outcome for a funding report. It is a testimony to believing in the potential of everyone to do great things.

One of these parents doing great things in Partners is Christine. Christine and her three boys were forced earlier this year to move from their east side home, leaving family and friends because the house they rented went into foreclosure. As soon as she was able to get her kids settled in school, Christine knew she needed to look for a job or go back to school herself. Another Partners participant told her about our program, but Christine was hesitant. She had been in these programs before, she said—programs that say they'll help but don't follow through. Programs where she was just one in the crowd, unable to work at her own pace. Christine had tried getting her GED four times before, but experienced health problems and had no support to help her finish and succeed. Until Partners for Progress.

In Partners, Christine got the help and encouragement she needed. She got her GED. And she is now participating in a training program at H&R Block that is the first step in becoming a tax preparer. Christine is also starting at Tri-C in January and has dreams of someday starting her own non-profit to help those who help themselves, just like at St. Malachi Center. As difficult as her move was, she says *"everything happens for a reason."* She tells everyone that Partners made a big difference in her life. And she is working hard now to continue to improve her life and break the cycle of poverty in her family.



*Awake from your slumber!  
Arise from your sleep!  
A new day is dawning  
For all those who weep.  
The people in darkness  
Have seen a great light.  
The Lord of our longing  
has conquered the night.*

*We are sons of the morning;  
We are daughters of the day.  
The One who has loved us  
Has brightened our way.  
The Lord of all kindness  
Has called us to be  
A light for all people  
To set their hearts free.*

*God is light;  
In God there is no darkness.  
Let us walk in the light,  
God's children, one and all.  
O comfort my people;  
Make gentle your words.  
Proclaim to my city  
The day of her birth.*

*O city of gladness,  
now lift up your voice.  
Proclaim the good tidings  
That all may rejoice!*

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**Reading Buddies** at St. Malachi Center are special people. They each come in one afternoon a week for the entire school year to give their undivided attention to a child in our After School Program who is learning to read or having difficulty doing so. These are primarily kids in grades K-3, and most are reading below their grade level. This job takes a lot of patience, perseverance, and love. One of these special people is Fran, a Reading Buddy for over 5 years. Fran has always volunteered to work with children with learning disabilities—the ones who are really struggling. The ones who really need all the patience, perseverance, and love that Fran so freely gives them. And she has always gone above and beyond her call of duty as a Reading Buddy. In her spare time, Fran visits bookstores and the library to find books she knows her kids will enjoy and be able to read. Fran encourages her kids by applying the literacy work they do together to real life situations, sending them postcards from places where she travels or helping them write thank you notes to her sister who often sends little

presents to her young friends. Fran wants the children to learn more than just how to read—she wants them to learn to love to read. *"Getting a postcard in the mail is fun,"* she says, *"but only if you can read it!"* The lucky students who have worked with this very special Reading Buddy have all improved their literacy skills, and have been shown how necessary, interesting, and fun reading can be. Thank you, Fran!

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  - Cuyahoga County Commissioners through The Literacy Cooperative of Greater Cleveland \$60,311.42 (Partners for Progress)
- FUNDRAISERS** (net profit)
- Soup for the Soul \$40,765.45
  - Raffle \$15,577.34
  - Golf Outing \$14,315.27
  - Max & Erma's \$862.33

- GRANTS**
- AHS Foundation \$5,610 Summer Reading Program
  - The Bonne Bell Family Foundation \$1,000 Summer Program
  - Cargill Cares \$3,000 Kitchen
  - Catholic Charities \$5,000 After School Program
  - Children's Family Care, Inc. \$2,700 Family Activity Night
  - The Cleveland Foodbank \$1,590.96
  - Free Hand Inc. \$1,000 Clothes Washer
  - The John Milton Costello Foundation \$1,000 After School Program
  - The Murphy Family Foundation \$3,000 Teen Leadership Program
  - Sisters of Charity Foundation of Cleveland \$5,000 Shower Program
  - St. Mary Seminary Outreach Trust Fund \$3,000 Licensing for Youth Programs
  - The Thomas C. and Sandra S. Sullivan Foundation \$4,000 Partners for Progress
  - The Target Foundation \$2,000 Reading Buddies
  - United Black Fund of Greater Cleveland \$8,000 Summer Program



In August 2008, Bryan Kennard & Friends held the fifth annual concert to benefit the children who attend the After School Program. The admission fee was a donation of school supplies.

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