



Healthy living is a focus in all our programs: We teach and model physical fitness of every kind as well as healthy eating.

OUR KIDS

The young people Domus serves are everything and *nothing* like other kids in our communities. They have dreams. They've suffered years of abuse. They want to get good grades. Their emotional development is years behind their physical age. They are talented artists and great at math. They may not get dinner tonight. And, they love their parents and want to be loved in return.

	# of unique youth served
FY1011 program enrollment	667
COMMUNITY	
Youth Violence Prevention/Street Outreach	129
Community Centers	185
Out-of-School-Time Program	90
Juvenile Diversion Programming	60
Youth Training & Employment	88
Latino Outreach Program	300
EDUCATIONAL	374
Charter Middle School	165
Charter High School	135
New Haven Middle School	48
Family Advocate Model in public schools	26
RESIDENTIAL	31
Group Homes (2)	20
Supervised Apartment Living	11
Total unduplicated youth served:	1,072
(plus their siblings and other family members)	

"This year, I'm going to be respectful."

—E., a Domus Academy 7th grader

Logan, one of our therapy dogs



WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT

You can invest your money in thousands of nonprofits, so why pick Domus? How are we different?

Most other nonprofits don't serve the young people we work with: Their behavior and issues are challenging and require an intensive approach. You want to help kids with nowhere else to turn? Join our movement.

We'll give you the good news—the great results your investment makes possible—but we'll also tell you when we don't hit a target. That attitude of transparency applies to everything, including financial outcomes.

Finally, we're good partners: We're honest, hard-working, and fun. And no matter what, we get the tough stuff done for kids—work you want done.



LOVE LIVES HERE



ANNUAL REPORT 2010/2011

Since 1972, Domus has helped thousands of our region's **most vulnerable youth** and their families experience success. The love, structure, and support we provide at our charter schools, residential programs, and community programs enable our kids and families to reach their full potential. Our ability to build relationships helps kids and families who may be struggling in school or in life focus on their strengths and make good choices.

Our approach focuses on **key life transitions** — moving from elementary to middle school, middle to high school, and high school to skilled work, college, or vocational programs—which are critical to future success but are also when youth are most vulnerable.

Our vision: No child shall be denied hope, love, or a fair chance in life.

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HIGHLIGHTS from 2010/2011

- The Trafigura Work & Learn Business Center, a youth training and employment program, opened this year, providing 64 youth with paid training and **helping 26 youth obtain employment.**

- Stamford mentoring nonprofit **FUTURE 5** is now a program of Domus.

- **Grade-level growth** for our schools: Stamford Academy up 3.1 in reading, 1.1 in math; Trailblazers Academy up 1.6 in reading, 1.2 in math; Domus Academy up 1.7 in reading, 2.6 in math.

- Our Passages Group Home residents moved into a **beautiful, newly-remodeled home** on Newfield Avenue in Stamford.

- **91% of Stamford Academy graduates** were accepted into post-secondary institutions, up from 50% last year and 23% two years ago.

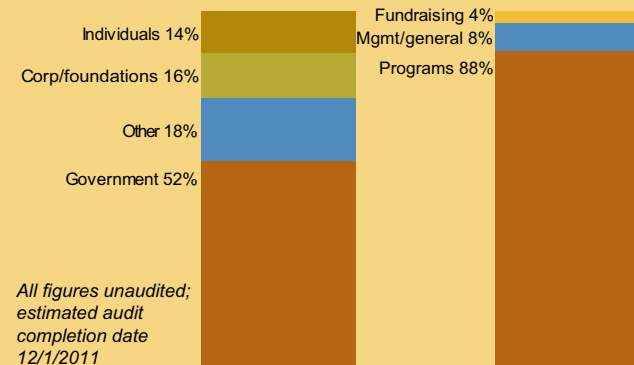
- Our Trailblazers site features a **school-based health center** which serves the health needs of the 300 students at our two Stamford schools plus the youth in our residential programs.

- **Community programming** at our Lockwood Avenue site now includes a community-wide Easter Egg hunt, night gym, Latino street outreach, a community garden, and adult education classes.

- Domus is implementing the Sanctuary Model, a trauma-informed model of organizational change, to help us **more effectively work with youth who've experienced trauma.**

FINANCIALS

We raised **\$14.4M** for FY1011 from the sources indicated and spent it as follows:



KEY PARTNERSHIPS

- We celebrated our first year of Domus Academy, a New Haven public school operated by Domus for nearly 50 very struggling youth.

- Sister nonprofit Person-to-Person, which helps people meet basic needs, is now co-locating at our Lockwood site two days per week to make our Latino outreach worker's referrals easier.

- A private \$280,000 grant helped grow our family advocate model to KT Murphy Elementary School and Turn Of River Middle School.

- Our two IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program sites helped low-income families file over 160 returns, saving filers about \$16,000.



"I got unrelenting support and love from Domus staff members."

--R., who attended Trailblazers and Stamford Academies

OUR RESULTS

We carefully measure our services so we can better understand, and continually improve, the impact of our efforts. We set aggressive targets reflecting the high expectations we have for our work and our kids.

Our supportive services help youth develop vital success factors—

- improved academic achievement
- strong connections to caregivers, community resources, and family
- physical, social, and emotional well-being—to make successful life transitions and become happy, healthy adults who can fully contribute to the communities in which they live and work.

OUR TEAM

122 full-time and 62 part-time staff members plus hundreds of volunteers from corporations like GE, RBS, and McKinsey work in six sites across Stamford plus our school in New Haven. Our team members include literacy specialists, training specialists, educational and family advocates, and—new for FY1011—a full-time volunteer coordinator to make every volunteer's experience a great one. Join us!



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"There is so much good going on in the organization... all of the resources/energy seemed to be going to the right places."

--M., a volunteer