



Funding Request
Buncombe County Commissioners Meeting
February 12, 2013

THE YMI CULTURAL CENTER

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- ✘ Represents :
 - perseverance
 - persistence
 - accomplishment
- ✘ Despite the cultural climate
 - Two men *reached beyond themselves*
 - Mr. Isaac Dixon and Dr. Stephens

PARTNERS

- Buncombe County
- Asheville City
- Various individual donors to include faith community
- In-kind partners (Eagle Market Street, Land of Sky, Center for Diversity Education, community partners),

VENUE FOR “CULTURAL AND ARTISTIC EXPRESSION”

□ Since August 2012....

West African Dance -weekly

West African Drumming – weekly

“Taking Issue Forums”- quarterly No cost to the public

“Child By Tiger” Parts 1 and 2 Buncombe County Library series

“Race Relations in Buncombe County- Then and Now” – “ASCORE and “Me to We”

“Discussions on Dr. King’s -the Network of Mutuality” February

“Intimate Partner Violence” –April

Dialogue, Discussion and Dessert – “50 years of “I Have A Dream” - August

George Clinton – art exhibition [Goombay]

Brian Eno -”77 Million Paintings” visual music

VITA- [Volunteer Income Tax Assistance] Economic literacy; wealth management

Young Leaders Institute- Summer 2013 –Middle schools

Goombay Festival

“Keys for Kids” – Piano recital space – Ms. Kimberly Cann

VENUE FOR “CULTURAL AND ARTISTIC EXPRESSION”

Exhibitions:

“With All Deliberate Speed”- Segregation and
Integration in Buncombe County [February]

“Women and War” [March]

“Tuskegee Airmen “ [April- May]

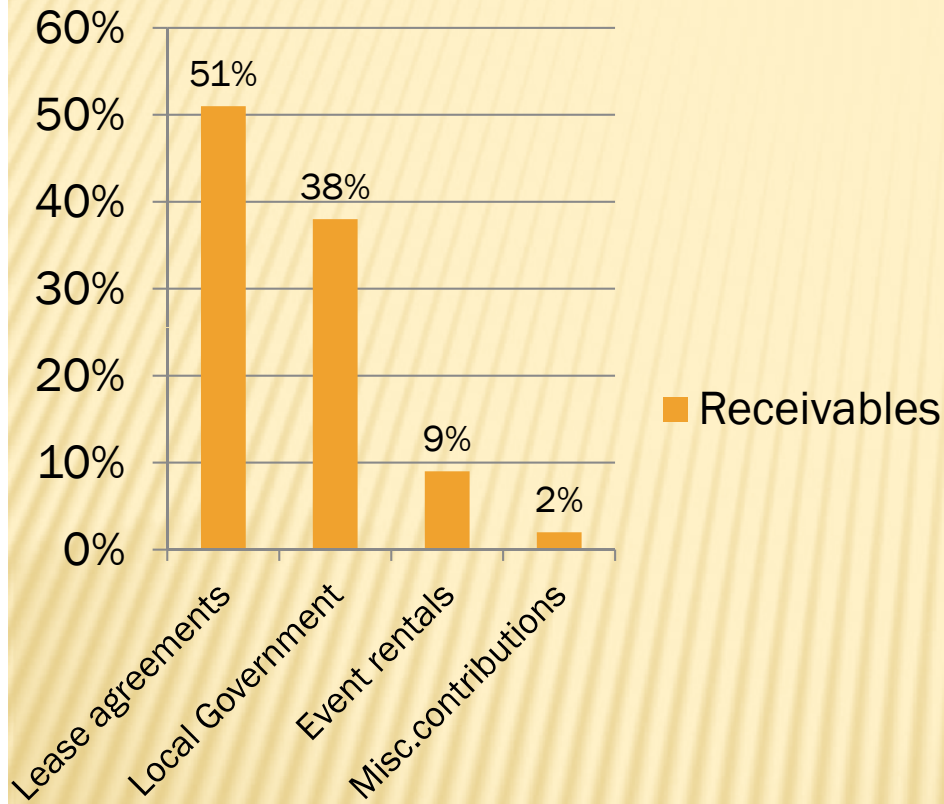
Pending – ‘Cash Crop’ 2014

New Relationships:

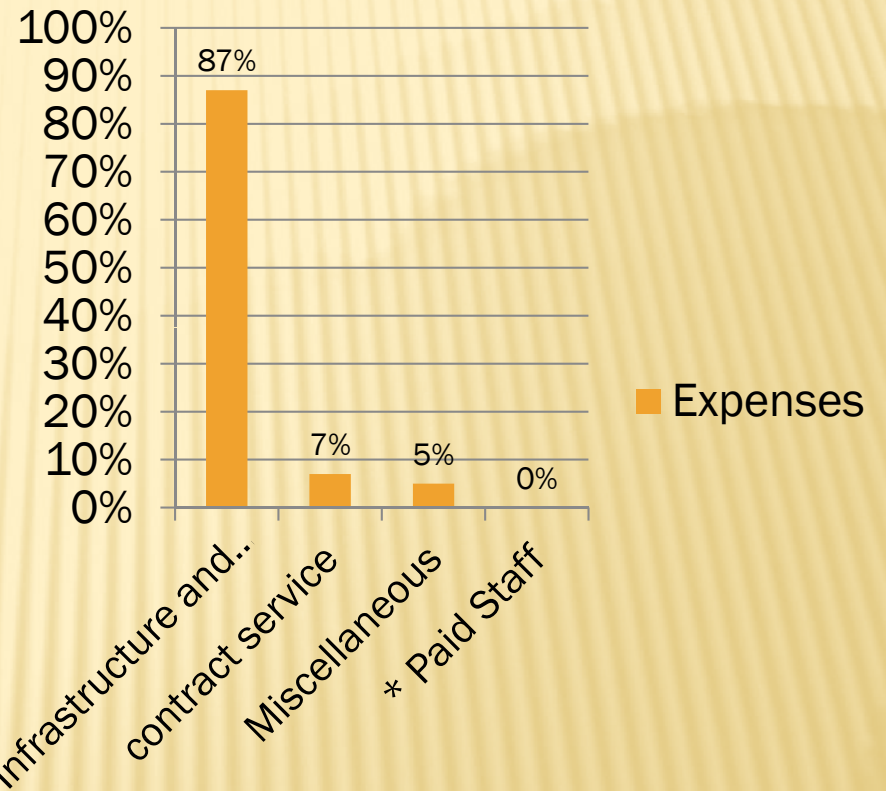
Harvey Gantt Center Charlotte

Civil Rights Museum- Greensboro NC

INCOME



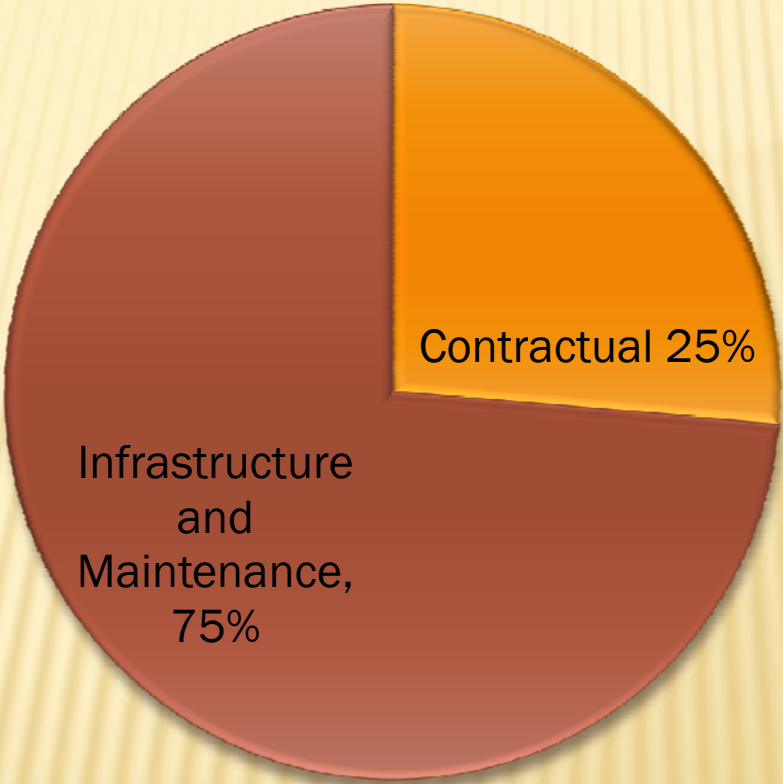
EXPENSE



BUDGET

* 4975 VOLUNTEER HOURS FY12

COUNTY FUNDING



PROGRAMMING COSTS

Our focus is to offer programs that are accessible which usually equates to affordability. So far, our programs have not cost the participants but our costs are incurred through indirect costs such as utilities consumed within our 18,000 sq ft. facility.

Paid person to setup and clean up for programs

HOW DOES THE YMI SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABILITY OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY?

- ✓ Physical resource with a..
 - ❖ Historical Cultural presence
 - ❖ National Historic registry recognition
 - ❖ State historic treasure recognition
 - ❖ recognition of being one of only a few free standing institutions of its kind in America
- ✓ County financial support to the YMI represents a county choosing to protect an iconic resource that stemmed from an action of well-being and flourishing.