

# FY2008 Phillips Brooks House Association Annual Report



Celebrating Presidents, Vice Presidents & all PBHA Alumni!

*students & communities partnering for social change*



Nene Igietseme, Michael Pope, and Sarah Lockridge-Steckel



Jill Stockwell, Ellie Lee, and Richard Buery



Orlando Segura and Melissa Luna



Frank Duehay and Andrew Park

**Mission** *PBHA strives for social justice. As a student-run organization, we draw upon the creative initiative of students and community members to foster collaboration that empowers individuals and communities. Through social service and social action, PBHA endeavors to meet community needs while advocating structural change. PBHA seeks to promote social awareness and community involvement at Harvard and beyond.*

**PBHA** offered many opportunities this year for students to interact with alumni. During Reunion in June, the directors of the Franklin I-O Summer Program, Nene Igietseme '09 and Sarah Lockridge-Steckel '09, and the founder of the Franklin After School Program, Michael Pope '82, met for a rich discussion on neighborhood-based programming.

At the Robert Coles dinner and award ceremony, former directors Jill Stockwell '08 and Ellie Lee '92 shared their experiences at the Harvard Square Homeless Shelter, affectionately known as "Uni-Lu," with our Outstanding Alumnus recipient Richard Buery '92.

At the same event, board member and former Keyatch director Melissa Luna '03 and Orlando Segura '05, past director of the Cambridge Youth Enrichment Program, considered the mission of PBHA and its continued commitment to the greater community.

Finally, former Trustee Frank Duehay '55, this year's Outstanding Supporter recipient, and past PBHA Vice President Andrew Park '01 reminisced about the success of the Centennial Campaign and its positive impact on the organization's finances.





## A Message from PBHA President Frances Tompkins and Class of 1955 Executive Director Gene Corbin

*Frances Tompkins (far right) with  
Maria Dominguez Gray, Deputy Director,  
Gene Corbin, and Grant Damon,  
Vice President*

### **A Fantastic Year!**

We're pleased to report that PBHA enjoyed a fantastic year. There are many examples of the exciting progress we made toward fulfilling PBHA's dual mission of serving the community and developing social justice leaders.

PBHA's student-led programs continued to thrive and innovate. Much has been written about the public service inclinations of the Millennial Generation (those who graduate from high school after 2000). The predictions are ringing true at PBHA where student involvement is more robust than ever. More than 1,600 students made an energetic commitment to PBHA's 76 community service and advocacy programs this year.

PBHA made great strides in building a stronger student-led nonprofit to support our growth. The Program Management Certificate, a 16-hour training course for program directors and students expecting to assume leadership roles in PBHA programs, was awarded to 35 in its first year. In addition, 244 volunteers received the new Tutor and Mentor certificates after attending four-hour sessions covering positive youth

development, behavior management, pedagogy, and more. PBHA Officers also now undergo extensive training on nonprofit management during a January retreat. More than ever, students received leadership development opportunities along with training in offering quality programming that will better serve the community.

The enduring goal of creating a PBHA alumni organization came to fruition. Alumni have often conveyed their desire to stay connected to each other along with the values and spirit of future generations of PBHAers. Students report how useful it is to have relationships with former program leaders and officers and also seek contacts with alumni who can help them navigate public interest career opportunities. PBHA-Alumni, the newly formed organization, holds tremendous potential for strengthening the relationship between generations of PBHA leaders and volunteers!

Additionally, the first "Robert Coles 'Call of Service' Lecture and Alumni Weekend" was held in October to honor the former PBHA volunteer, board member, Harvard professor, and prolific author of 50 books, including *The Call of Service*, which

examines the idealism our organization instills in students. The campus-wide lecture also kicked off a weekend of PBHA-Alumni activities. Founder and President of the Children's Defense Fund, Marian Wright Edelman, delivered a powerful inaugural address to a packed house and numerous alumni who had returned for an inspiring weekend. PBHA alumni and friends can now become part of the PBHA community in a more structured way by joining PBHA-Alumni and attending the annual fall event (see [www.pbha.org/alumni](http://www.pbha.org/alumni)).

From providing advice to supporting the organization financially, friends like you help make PBHA possible. We hope you will continue with us on this important journey of building an even stronger organization rooted in the conviction—expressed at the organization's founding in 1904—that students can make a difference in the world while developing lasting skills and relationships in the process!

***Frances Tompkins '09,  
President***

***Gene Corbin, MPA '01,  
Class of 1955 Executive Director***

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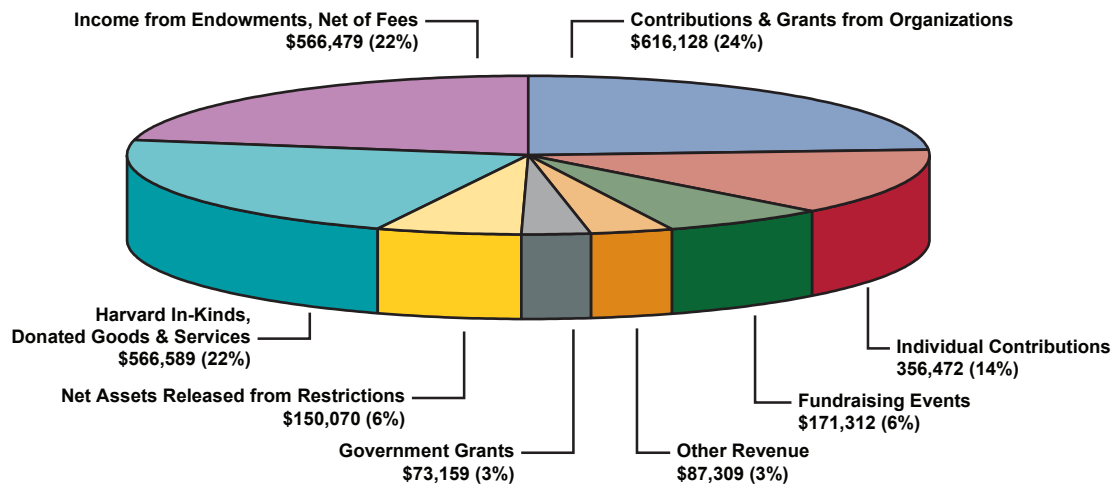
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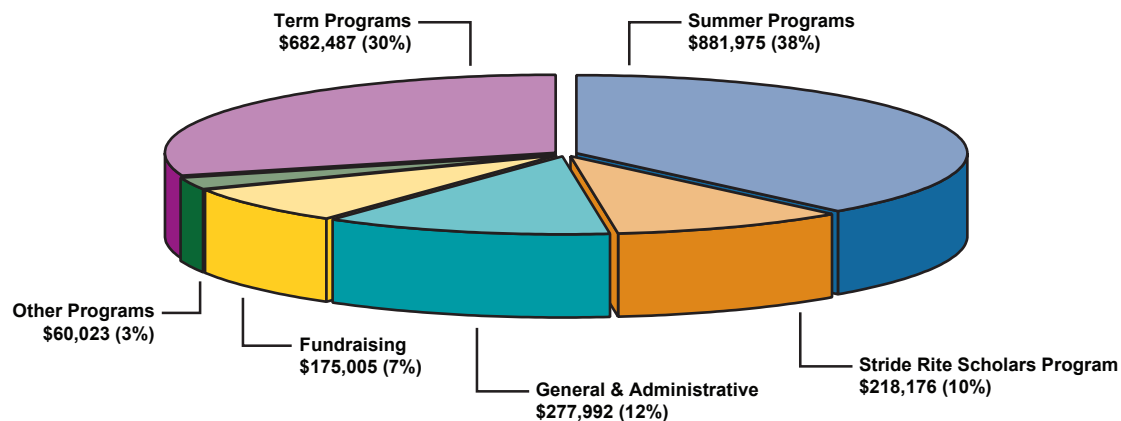
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## Operating Revenue FY08: \$2,587,518



## Operating Expenses FY08: \$2,295,658



### Condensed Statement of Financial Position for the Year Ended January 31, 2008

Current Assets:	\$1,265,500
Temporarily Restricted Assets:	\$16,000
Endowments:	\$2,066,555
Net Property & Equipment:	\$60,073
<b>Total Assets:</b>	<b>\$3,408,128</b>
<b>Total Liabilities:</b>	<b>\$145,801</b>
<b>Net Assets:</b>	<b>\$3,262,327</b>

### Condensed Statement of Activities for the Year Ended January 31, 2008

Total Revenue & Support:	\$2,587,518
Total Operating Expenses:	\$2,295,658
<b>Change in Net Assets:</b>	<b>\$291,860</b>
Net Assets, Beginning of Year:	\$2,753,124
Net Assets, End of Year:	\$3,262,327

Note: Fundraising expenses have been kept to only 7% so your donations go further!  
Complete audited financial statements are available upon request.



# PBHA Programs Continued Year-Round Impact in Boston Communities

## Other Program Highlights

- A new PBHA program called **Admission Scholars** developed a comprehensive approach to college advising at two Boston high schools. From SAT Prep to assistance with the college application and financial aid process, this group mentoring program works with students and their families to assure success enrolling in college.
- The new **Codman Square Health Center Program** operates out of the Codman Square Health Center, a community-based, outpatient health care and multi-service center dedicated to promoting a culture of health in low-income Dorchester. The volunteers staff the child-care areas and teach health, nutrition, and hygiene. Students also work closely with neighborhood leaders, shadow doctors at the clinic, and learn more about community organizing.
- The **Incubator Fund** was established and made available to new programs or innovative initiatives seeking to expand PBHA's vision and programming in the community. Admission Scholars, Franklin Teen, Cambridge After School, South Boston Big Sib, and Leaders! all benefitted from this new source of funding.
- **Refugee Youth Term Enrichment (RYTE)** again paired with SHADES (the outreach wing of the Harvard South Asian Association) to hold a conference on the college application process for immigrant youth. RYTE ran focused workshops on selection, resume building, interviewing, personal statements, navigating the FAFSA and other financial aid matters.



Memorial Church Grants were awarded to PBHA projects by Chair Jim Lawson



BRYE and Franklin I-O campers came together at Collaboration in Dorchester



Volunteers on Boston Common with the children from Chinatown Afterschool

- In September 2007, PBHA participated in a university-wide day of service pairing volunteers with service partners from the community. Chinatown Afterschool enjoyed participating in this weekend service project (see above photo) as a bonus activity to the consistent year-round programming in their community.
- The **Program Management Certificate** was piloted in the spring of 2007 as a successful training series providing tools and knowledge to PBHA directors and leaders. The Program Management Certificate was designed by staff and student leaders to include best practices applicable to all programs. By attending, directors build their own skills while learning how to improve their programs. As part of a small learning community, directors build lasting relationships with other campus leaders, enabling better collaboration and best practice sharing.



# 1st Annual “Robert Coles ‘Call of Service’ Lecture and Alumni Weekend”

PBHA welcomed Marian Wright Edelman at a reception in the Parlor and then listened intently as she delivered the first “Robert Coles ‘Call of Service’ Lecture” in Memorial Church. Marian was delighted to honor her friend Robert Coles ’50, who was in attendance at both events and those of the following day, when the PBHA Alumni Weekend continued with workshops, a panel discussion with Dr. Coles, and an award dinner honoring PBHA supporters and alumni. Frank Duehay ’55 was named the PBHA Outstanding Supporter and Richard Buery ’92 received the Outstanding Alumnus award (see page 2 for photos).



Robert Coles receives the key to the City of Cambridge.



Marian Wright Edelman was an inspiring speaker for students and alumni alike.

## We salute Robert Coles!



Robert Coles used examples from William Carlos Williams during his conversation with panelists. Former teaching assistants from his General Education Class “The Literature of Social Reflection” shared memories from his many years of teaching this class.



Gene Corbin and Mayor of Cambridge Ken Reeves ’72 share the excitement of hosting Marian Wright Edelman and Robert Coles at the opening reception in the PBHA Parlor.





Graduating seniors pictured on the steps of Phillips Brooks House

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