**Introduction**
Welcome to Amizade Global Service Learning’s 22nd annual report and infographic for the fiscal year 2016. This year, we are honored to be celebrating 22 years of life-changing service and learning.

**Mission**
Amizade empowers individuals and communities through worldwide service and learning.

**Vision**
To create an equitable world where all people can connect freely and forge lasting friendships.

**About 2016**
This year, Amizade continued to grow its programs, sustain its global network of leaders and community organizations, and increase civic engagement levels in participants.

**WHAT WE DO?**
- Amizade collaborates with universities, high schools, community groups, and individuals to design and manage empowering global service-learning and volunteer programs.
- Amizade works closely with communities all over the world to develop and manage sustainable and empowering initiatives.
- Amizade acts as a catalyst for improvement in international education, developing innovative curriculum and sector changing ideals like Fair Trade Learning.
Research in 2016 from GlobalSL.org concluded that Amizade programs significantly increased civic engagement efficacy and conscious consumption in participants behavior.

What difference did Amizade make in the lives of its participants?

- **97%** of participants strongly agreed or agreed that the Amizade experience gave them a new appreciation of the challenges, assets, and possibilities associated with the community with whom they engaged.

- **92%** of participants strongly agreed or agreed that the Amizade experience gave them new insights about themselves as global citizens.

- **91%** of participants strongly agreed or agreed that the Amizade experience increased their feelings of compassion related to the well-being of others.

- **93%** of participants strongly agreed or agreed that the Amizade experience increased their intention to engage in activities that will make the world a more equitable place.
A Game-Changer with VCU Honors
In June eight Virginia Commonwealth University Honors College students arrived in Cochabamba, Bolivia to learn about community development and action planning. The program is an unprecedented two-year, four-semester commitment in which students learn about community organizations and issues in their home city of Richmond focusing on homelessness and the environment. On return, they create and implement sustainable community projects.

Young People from Northern Ireland in Pittsburgh
For the fourth straight year, Amizade hosted groups of youth from Northern Ireland in the US for reflective global service-learning experiences. While in Pittsburgh, young people learned about issues surrounding gentrification and food security, and served directly with organizations on the front lines of these issues.

Agnes Scott College engages in historic preservation in Jamaica
In March, 24 students from Agnes Scott College assisted the Association of Clubs in their "Heritage Trail Project," an extensive and thoughtful documentation of sites of significant history in the sugar-growing regions of Westmoreland Parish. As a capstone, these students published a valuable in-depth report, now found on our website.

Amizade and Fulbright team up in Appalachia
Through a groundbreaking partnership between the Fulbright Program and Amizade, six foreign fellows and six alumni dove into the heart of the Appalachian region and listened to and digitally shared incredible stories in Williamson, WV. With their help and as the outcome of this great experience, Amizade released a packet of thoughtful visual narratives telling the story of a small community in the center of coal country.

2nd year of YAPSA in Bolivia and Peru
In the summer, Amizade led a group of 12 high school students and two adult mentors on a cross-cultural journey to Bolivia and Peru. In its second of year of a three year program, the youth traveled abroad, learned about another culture, and returned home to design and implement projects to make a change in their own communities. The Youth Ambassadors Program is a program of the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs and administered by Amizade.

CENTER THAT CARES in Ghana
Amizade’s partnerships in Pittsburgh’s Hill District continued to grow in 2016. In June, a group of youth and staff members from the Center That Cares - a youth community benefits organization - traveled to Ghana with Amizade for a 2-week program focused on environmental solidarity and cultural exploration. Amizade is honored to have helped make this experience a reality, and looks forward to expanding work with neighborhood groups in the coming years.
Estimated summarized statement of activities, fiscal year September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016.

**2015-2016 Financials**

**Income**
- $1,413,193.44

- **78%** Program Fees
- **16%** Grants
- **4%** Other
- **2%** Fundraising Contributions

**Expenses**
- $1,388,219.31

- **86%** Program
- **14%** Administration

**Revenue Trends**

- 1994: $10,000
- 1997: $30,000
- 2002: $150,000
- 2003: $325,000
- 2007: $375,000
- 2009: $700,000
- 2011: $880,000
- 2012: $901,600
- 2013: $890,000
- 2014: $1,380,358
- 2015: $1,472,742
- 2016: $1,413,193.44
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