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**Please turn over for different ways to make your gift.**

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I'm updating my contact information.

Please add me to CPJ's monthly prayer email. (Please include email above.)

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The Board of Trustees met twice in person and three times by call in 2017, and elected Matt Reiffer to join the board, following Michelle Kirtley's completion of nine years of board service. The trustees support CPJ's work through their gifts of time spent in governance, oversight, strategy, prayer, and in developing and stewarding CPJ's financial resources.



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Dear Friends,

As we complete our 40th year, I am honored to report to you that CPJ has experienced significant growth in 2017. We began as a conversation among friends deeply committed to God's calling to uphold public justice. Today, the Center for Public Justice is a nationwide movement of citizens and public office holders who believe this calling of God demands our work to ensure political communities uphold public justice. In the past year, CPJ has added new initiatives, like Sacred Sector and Families Valued. We have equipped citizens through Public Justice Review. We have developed leaders through Shared Justice. We have helped shape policy through our Institutional Religious Freedom Alliance.

What will the next four decades look like for CPJ? We trust that as we serve God, He will be faithful to advancing justice and transforming public life. Indeed, God began CPJ with a group of faithful servants and God continues to grow this circle now more than ever.

I hope you are excited about where CPJ has been and where God is taking us. And I thank you for being a part of the Center for Public Justice's story.

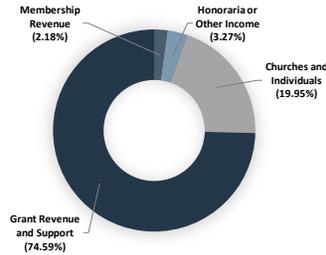
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Stephanie Summers, CEO of the Center for Public Justice

## 2017 Stewardship

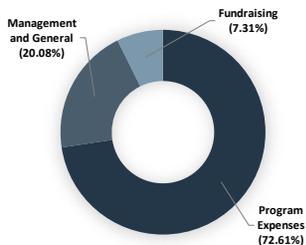
### Where our resources came from:

\$40,750.00 - Membership Revenue  
\$61,016.00 - Honoraria or Other Income  
\$372,306.00 - Churches & Individuals  
\$1,391,797.00 - Grant Revenue and Support  
**\$1,865,869.00 = Total Revenue and Support**



### Where our resources went:

\$646,533.00 - Program Expenses  
\$178,814.00 - Management and General  
\$65,098.00 - Fundraising  
**\$890,445.00 = Total Expenses**



## Our Initiatives



Public Justice Review is CPJ's core publication that explores in-depth questions about public justice. In its inaugural year, PJR published six volumes of articles, read by 21,400 individuals, that raised critical questions about our political discipleship and reflected on some of our nation's most pressing policy and justice questions. From refugees and family leave to religious freedom and disaster relief, PJR inspired and equipped its readers with God's vision for human flourishing in a pluralistic society.



IRFA promotes public policies, institutional practices, and public attitudes that advance religious freedom for faith-based organizations. In 2017, IRFA equipped its 30-plus organizational members to understand and exercise their organizational citizenship responsibilities. We engaged with the leaders of more than two dozen African American and Hispanic faith-based organizations. An important part of our work in 2017 was to support government officials in the federal Centers for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships to understand their roles as resources for faith-based and community-based organizations and as liaisons between these organizations and the federal government.



The Sacred Sector is a one-of-a-kind learning community for faith-based organizations and emerging leaders within the faith-based nonprofit sector to integrate and fully embody their sacred mission in every area of organizational life, including their organizational practices, public policy engagement and in cultivating positive public positioning. While organizations with sacred missions vary greatly in their faith identities and service areas, they all share the common goal of embodying their sacred missions in everything they do. With the support of the Templeton Religion Trust, Sacred Sector in 2017 recruited 35 faith-based organizations, 12 seminary student fellows, and more than 20 formal and informal advisors across the faith-based nonprofit and seminary sector to launch this learning community.



In July 2017, CPJ launched a new initiative called Families Valued, which promotes public policies and workplace practices that better support family life and respects the family responsibilities of all workers. Families Valued builds upon CPJ's unique framework for government and civil society to research and envision creative ways that public policy, employers, and faith communities can work together to strengthen and support family life. This initiative is led by Resident Fellow Rachel Anderson. Families Valued added one full-time staff member, and a part-time consultant to support this work in the coming year.



Shared Justice equips Christian college students and young adults to explore the intersection of faith, politics, and public justice. In 2017, *SharedJustice.org* had over 32,000 readers, published 95 articles, and added 15 new contributors. Shared Justice also expanded its programming by hosting events in three cities, and appointing two Juvenile Justice Fellows to provide our readership an exemplar for what deepened engagement and advocacy can look like on a particular issue. The Shared Justice Student-Faculty Research Prize was awarded to three students at Christian colleges and universities to conduct research and write a policy report on a social safety net program in their local community, which will be published in spring of 2018.

### POLITICAL DISCIPLESHIP NEW!

In a season of intense political polarization, how do we do we pursue politics well together? In the summer of 2017, CPJ convened a group of theologians, pastors, and professors to envision new ways to prepare Christians for citizenship and to practice politics as disciples of Christ. CPJ then developed a praxis-based curriculum to help small groups prepare for and hold a meeting with a political office holder. This curriculum helps participants grow in their understanding of God's purpose for politics, and introduces them to skills, and practices that support healthy, community-rooted, Spirit-led civic engagement. This new curricular resource is being piloted by groups around the country in 2018; please contact CPJ if you would like to form a pilot group.

# Four Ways to Make Your Gift

## Give by Check

Please make check payable to: **“Center For Public Justice”**

(If designating to IRFA please put “IRFA” on the memo line.)

## Give Online

Go to [www.CPJJustice.org/Give](http://www.CPJJustice.org/Give) to make either a one-time or regular gift online.

## Make an Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

(Automatic withdrawals from your bank account.)

Checking

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(Transactions will occur on or about the 15th of each month.)

## Please include a voided check.

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I understand that my account will be debited at the time my authorization is received and thereafter as I have noted on the reverse. I authorize the Center for Public Justice and their financial institution to charge my account each time as I have noted on the reverse (this includes my authorization to reverse any charges made in error). This authority will remain in effect until I give the Center for Public Justice written notice to cancel it. I understand all changes to this agreement may take up to 4 weeks to process.

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