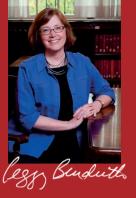
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MESSAGE from THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

EVERY year at the Congregational Library & Archives is like no other. Sometimes it's a new person on staff with a special skill, like a digital archivist or a social media expert. Or it's an experiment with something we haven't tried before, like a Christmas concert of Renaissance music or hosting a chorus of shape-note singers in our Reading Room. And of course, some of the best new things here are very, very old—the seventeenth and eighteenth-century church records we've uncovered in attics and basements, digitized, and made available on our website.

SOMEHOW this year seemed more special than others. In fact nothing prepared us for the thrill of opening *The New York Times* last July and seeing ourselves on the front page. There it

was, a feature story on New England's Hidden Histories, our church records project, relating our exploits in recovering those wonderful treasures, documents that hadn't seen the light of day for centuries. And now, with a generous grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, we're looking forward to many more new discoveries and new adventures. It's been a year of surprises and growing expectations for an exciting future. Who knows, we say at 14 Beacon Street, what next year will bring?







THE NEW YORK TIMES 07.30.14

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TOTAL REVENILES	\$1,751,931
Investment Income	\$190,902
Library Operating Income	\$26,481
United Church Foundation	\$12,640
Donations	\$124,480
Rental Income	\$1,339,488

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FACILITIES

Interest Expense	\$9,624
Supplies, Communications and Postage	\$28,362
Programs, Support and Development	\$120,769
Professional Services	\$142,341
Building Management and Staff	\$341,006
Compensation and Benefits	\$576,673
TOTAL FACILITIES	\$611,030
Depreciation	\$182,180
Real Estate Taxes & Insurances	\$137,074
Utilities	\$145,175
Maintenance	\$146,601
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