Brief Summary of Program and Strategies

OSI Baltimore

OSI-Baltimore was established in 1998 as a social change laboratory for OSI, focusing on the impact a place-based philanthropy strategy might have in addressing some of the biggest challenges facing Baltimore and other urban centers in the U.S. Recognizing that, as a result of devolution, much of the momentum to address social and economic problems would take place at the city and state level, OSI opened the field office to understand the dynamics at play and identify strategies that could dramatically change the status quo. As of the end of 2006, OSI had committed nearly \$56 million to this initiative. In 2006, George Soros issued a \$10 million challenge to encourage other donors to invest \$20 million over five years (through 2010) in OSI-Baltimore's work. The office has raised over \$12 million thus far.

OSI-Baltimore supports four inter-related programs: Tackling Drug Addiction; Criminal and Juvenile Justice; Education and Youth Development; and Baltimore Community Fellowships. OSI-Baltimore manages a special initiative on Closing the Addiction Treatment Gap.

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