Our Mission
To provide ongoing and personally meaningful programs within a supportive and peer-driven environment that is affordable for all stroke and brain trauma survivors, enabling them to achieve their maximum potential.

Our Vision
A world in which every stroke and brain trauma survivor leads a life filled with hope, meaning and purpose.

We Are
The Stroke Comeback Center is a community of survivors of stroke and other brain trauma committed to living successful and productive lives. We know recovery lasts forever.
IN THE WORDS OF OUR MEMBERS AND FAMILIES, THE STROKE COMEBACK CENTER IS A PLACE WHERE . . .

“Good stuff happens here... You gave us hope when there was none... This is a place where you can come and be educated as to where you fit in to the world.... I didn’t know what to do when the insurance stopped... This place is not just a Center, but a support group for the Caregivers... For stroke survivors, this place is a Godsend... It’s a place to help me prepare for my future, which as a result, looks bright.”

THANKS to our loyal and generous supporters,

2017 was a year of growth and innovation here at the Stroke Comeback Center.
2017 HIGHLIGHTS

EXPANSION
The Stroke Comeback Center conducted a LOUDOUN COUNTY PILOT PROGRAM AND CREATED A MARYLAND TASK FORCE
Signed a lease for space in Rockville, MD that allowed us to fulfill our goal of bringing services to Maryland.

24 EPISODES
Produced new episodes of the podcast: 
Slow Road to Better™
Launched our own podcast feed for the Slow Road to Better™, heard round the world. Fosters a sense of community; stroke survivors offering tips and guidance on commonplace issues and everyday challenges.

39 NEW MEMBERS
JOINED THE STROKE COMEBACK CENTER

14 NEW PROGRAMS ADDED
Provided additional ways members may work on their communication skills by practicing speech, reading and numbers. We also incorporated a new fitness class, focused on boxing and building strength.

FORMED A FAMILY-FOCUSED SOCIAL COMMITTEE
Committee coordinated by family members, to help survivors gain confidence in social settings and be more comfortable dealing with the public.

2017 FUNDRAISING EVENTS
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Dear Friends,

At the Stroke Comeback Center, I am inspired every day by the brave, resilient and never give up attitude shown by our stroke and brain trauma survivors. In that same spirit, I am proud to present to you our Annual Report for 2017. In this report you will learn about our accomplishments for the year, and our hopes for the future.

Since our humble beginnings back in 2005 with 12 members and 3 communication classes, we have grown and stretched our capacity to welcome over 150 survivors into our community. As we have grown, we have stayed true to our mission; to provide critically needed services at a cost that families can afford. Sustainability is our primary objective and because of our loyal and passionate donors, we are able to continue our growth while remaining true to our mission.

In 2017 we searched for a location in Maryland that would meet our needs and sealed a deal that will carry us well into the future. We can now provide services to survivors and their families on both sides of the Potomac River. With growth comes both challenge and opportunity, and our small but passionate team continues to seek out new partners and supporters to fuel that growth, while maintaining our nationally recognized model of excellence.

The success of our organization is a testament to our donors and supporters. We truly could not do it alone and we are so grateful for each and every gift and each and every family that comes through our doors. Thank you for caring and thank you for sharing in our successes.

With appreciation and warm regards,

Darlene Williamson
Stroke Comeback Center,
Executive Director and Founder
As we continue to grow and serve more members and families, the need for support becomes even more critical. We rely on donations to help fund our member programs. Whether it is a gift of time or funds, we are very thankful for your support!

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