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ANNUAL REPORT



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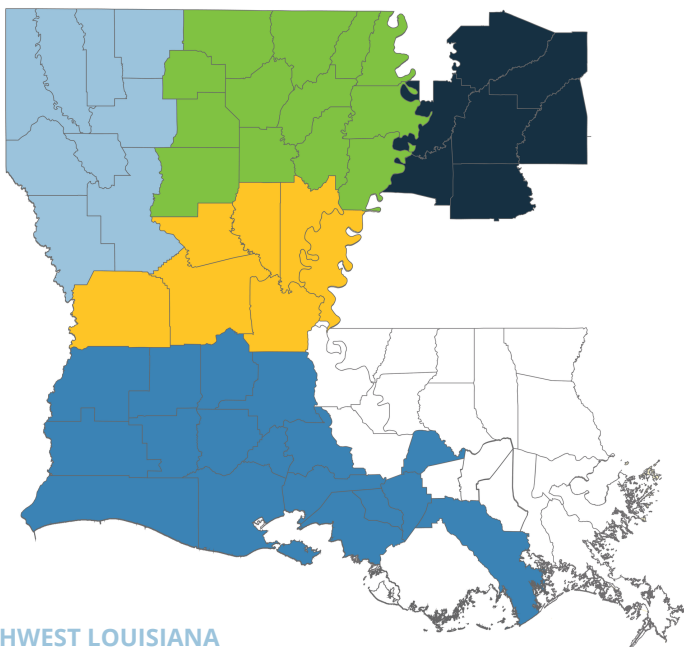
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Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll

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CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI

Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Warren, Yazoo

AREAS SERVED



The Center for Children & Families is an umbrella nonprofit made up of a variety of different programs serving the state of Louisiana, and recently expanded its reach to Mississippi. Since its inception, The Center has overcome many challenges to become the successful, multi-faceted organization that we are today.

What started as a three person staff functioning on a \$4,000 budget, is now a thriving organization with nearly 100 employees, supporting over 125 volunteers and around 80 contract therapists, who in turn are serving thousands of children across the state. Our board members and administration are dedicated to searching out other needs that are not being sufficiently met, as well as the means to meet these needs with the “best practice” mentality that has defined every action taken since 1999.

With programs such as CASA, the Children’s Advocacy Center, Therapeutic Services, and The Delta Initiative, The Center for Children & Families is well on its way to further redefining the way children’s social services are delivered in our area.

COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES

Court Appointed Special Advocates of Northeast Louisiana (CASAs) continue to train volunteers to advocate for children who are in the court system due to abuse or neglect. With the number of assigned cases continually on the rise, our CASA program is consistently adapting to this increase by adding staff and training new advocates in order to meet this need. In 2019, 32 new volunteers joined in the efforts of speaking up for the children in our area, serving a total of 364 foster children.

THE CHILDREN’S ADVOCACY CENTER

The Children’s Advocacy Center of Northeast Louisiana (CAC) remains a powerful avenue of support for child and mentally-challenged adult victims of sexual abuse, physical abuse, human trafficking, or witnesses to violent crimes. The CAC joins all parties who are necessary in examining cases involving sexual or severe physical abuse. This year the CAC interviewed 264 children, performed 47 medical exams, and referred all 264 children for counseling with our agency.

THERAPEUTIC SERVICES

The Center for Children and Families works with Master's level clinicians practicing a number of different models of in-home therapy to serve at-risk children. This year, our Therapeutic Services program served nearly 3,500 children across Louisiana, and recently expanded its reach to Mississippi. Our Functional Family Therapy Program (FFT) and Multi-Systemic Therapy Program (MST) are intensive family and community based treatments that address antisocial behavior in young offenders. FFT-Child Welfare (CW) is an expansion of the highly effective FFT evidence-based mental health program that can now serve children across the entire age range (0-18). Crisis Intervention deploys responders to families within hours to help stabilize situations in which a child may be immediately removed from the home. Family Preservation is a specialized treatment program utilizing systemic family therapy for at-risk children and youth involved in the juvenile justice system. The Family Support and Youth Transition Program (FSYTP) is our program designed to facilitate the successful transition of youth in state custody, back into the community. FSYTP covers multiple regions of the Louisiana, with three teams serving out of Monroe, Shreveport and Crowley.

BROKERS OF HOPE

Brokers of Hope is designed to provide hope in Union Parish to families in crisis and create a pathway to a community ready to help. This is achieved through counseling and crisis intervention, in addition to the development of a resource network of community members, organizations, and churches willing to provide support to impoverished families with assessed and valid needs. Brokers of Hope coordinates with local citizens to provide opportunities for the community with families in meaningful and empowering ways.

COMMUNITY

As an organization, our footprint in this community has grown larger each year. This year we had great success with our annual fundraiser "The Black & White Ball" which also serves to inform the community of our services and raised an estimated \$25,000. We also continued in the notable work of the Heart Gallery of Northeast Louisiana, which is a portable gallery of portraits of children available for adoption in our region. The Christmas Project, our final event of the year, allowed us to provide nearly 1000 children with clothing and gifts during the holiday season. This was helped by Stuff-a-Bus which brought in 2,177 toys and \$1,879 in donations.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

JUNE 30, 2019 - JUNE 30, 2020

SUPPORT & REVENUE

GRANTS	\$3,312,153
MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT REVENUE	\$6,847,744
FUNDRAISING	\$62,643
INTEREST INCOME	\$302
OTHER INCOME	\$55,633
TOTAL REVENUE	\$10,278,475

EXPENSES

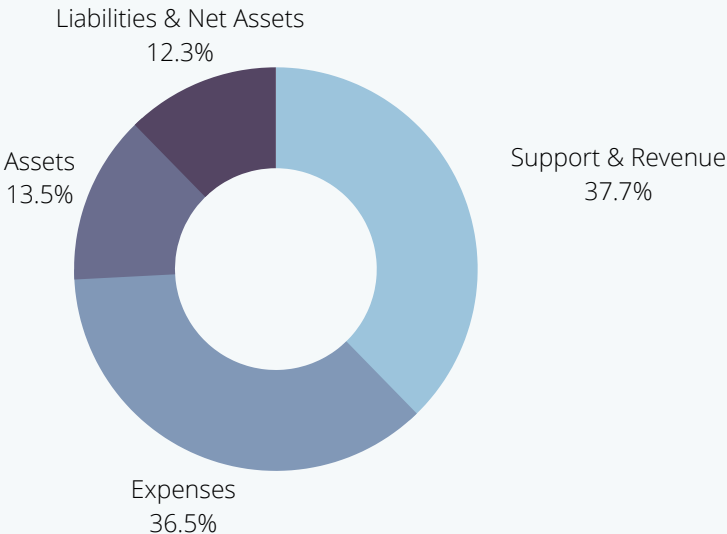
PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$7,092,037
MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	\$2,826,929
FUNDRAISING	\$28,742
TOTAL REVENUE	\$9,947,708

ASSETS

CASH	\$969,741
ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE	\$1,371,464
PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT	\$1,339,362
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,680,567

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$1,157,187
CURRENT NET ASSETS	\$2,523,380
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$3,680,567



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safe, healthy environments
T H R O U G H
**ADVOCACY, COUNSELING,
EDUCATION & PREVENTION.**



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