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"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they are priceless."
-Sherry Anderson



Letter to our Stakeholders

During this fiscal year, our clients in need, faithful staff, generous community partners, and individuals all across the globe have been faced with the great challenges of a global pandemic. As businesses and schools began to shut down and the fears and anxieties of those within our communities rose, we knew the needs of our community would not go on hold because of a pandemic crisis; the needs in fact would grow. We knew our community's children and youth would be counting on us now more than ever.



I am very proud of our entire YFS team who remained committed to our mission by exhausting all efforts to meet the needs of those looking to us for help and

support. Friday, March 13, 2020 was the day Oklahoma began seeing significant impacts of COVID-19. By Monday, March 16th we had developed a comprehensive COVID-19 health and safety plan. This plan insured the safe continuation of ALL YFS programing. In a time of great hurting for many, our clinical services never stopped through the use of tele med technology conversion. Our emergency resource center shelter NEVER closed its doors; not one day. Foster care services continued providing support and care for all families and children. Our Transitional Living services actually increased as the need for support grew! Our Emergency housing program served more than ever as people in great needed flooded our office with calls.

We simply could not have persevered in the middle of such great obstacles without ALL our faithful stakeholders. The unwavering faithfulness of our board, staff, donors, contract partners and entire community enabled us to find opportunities to serve our community amidst a time filled with many obstacles.

As we continue to adapt, adjust and grow to safely meet community needs, we want to thank all our stake holders for enabling us to stand strong; continuing to fulfil our mission when we are needed the most. Together we are strong and together we will continue to find hope during challenging times for all.

With heartfelt thanks,

ohn Schneider,
Executive Director



MISSION:

We provide programs supporting children, youth, and families.

Programs and Outcomes

In 2020 Youth & Family Services, Inc. (YFS) celebrated 46 years of service to the children, youth and families in Canadian, Blaine, Kingfisher counties and beyond. More than ever, YFS was able to continue providing to those in need regardless of the circumstances of the year! The YFS team worked tirelessly as they networked, thought outside the box through endless collaboration with each other, outside agencies, web conferencing, phone calls, and texts to continually provide services to those in need. We are proud that YFS never quit providing services throughout the pandemic with the many challenges our community faced!

Caring Center (Shelter)

The YFS Caring Center provides safety, security, food and shelter to children and youth, aged 0-18 who are in the care of DHS, OJA, or a parent or guardian. The 60 children and youth served in the Caring Center during the year received health screenings, counseling, academic and living skills education, and recreational opportunities. Care days totaled 1,112. YFS provides a trauma sensitive environment. YFS staff are trauma based trained and equipped to help each child/youth feel safe and cared for, sometimes for the first time in their lives. The Caring Center (Shelter) is open 24/7, the pandemic did not disrupt these services!

Safety, security, food, and shelter to an average of *60 children per year* from throughout the state of Oklahoma! Due to changes in the child welfare system, high needs children are staying in our emergency shelter for longer periods of time, receiving the trauma informed care needed to ready them for their next loving home!

Uniting Our Families Foster Care Program

Our foster care program provided 69 children with loving foster homes. The YFS foster care program provides Traditional Foster, and Respite Homes all while building supports for the children and strengthening the foster family through stabilizing the relationships and assisting both child and family throughout the foster experience.

A seamless connection between **69 children this year** and loving, supportive foster homes! This year we celebrated **5 adoptions for children** within our foster care network!

29 approved foster homes were added to our foster care network in 2020 alone!

YFS is a community-based charitable nonprofit organization formed to meet critical needs of care for abused and neglected children.

Programs and Outcomes

Independent Living/Street Outreach

YFS Independent Living services provide youth, up to the age of 21, with safe and loving relationship training, tutoring, life-skills training, mentoring, job training, incentive for achieving goals, and follow up services.

Within our independent living program, we offer transitional living services to provide housing and life-skills training for youth and young adults ages 16-21 who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Housing is the foundation for a comprehensive program designed to promote health lifestyles, financial independence, and job readiness.

INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES

Independent Living Services reached **434 youth this year** promoting successful transitions into adulthood

TRANSITIONAL LIVING PROGRAM

Assistance resolving at risk behaviors provided to **90 youth** & their families to help make better choices for their future.

YOUTH DROP-IN CENTERS

Support provided to 482 rural homeless & runaway youth who needed a place to go!

Counseling

Our person centered counseling services promote emotional stability and positive behaviors in individuals and families in the community, including children residing in the YFS Caring Center shelter and those participating in YFS programs. YFS provides crisis intervention services and treatment for ongoing behavioral and emotional disorders and substance abuse and dependency.

GENERAL COUNSELING

YFS Counseling Services reached 669 individuals & families promoting emotional stability and positive behavior!

FIRST TIME OFFENDERS PROGRAM

A positive learning experience for **104 youth & their parents** promoting change and positive life choices!

OUTREACH COUNSELING

Crisis Intervention counseling, and education to **150 children & their parents** for an improved childhood and educational experience!

GENERAL SCHOOL GROUPS

172 kids & parents benefitted from this restorative counseling program.

COUMMUNITY AT-RISK SERVICES (CARS)

Assistance resolving at-risk behaviors provided to **24 youth & their families** to help with making better choices for their future!





Making a Difference

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program

In addition to preventing homelessness through the Independent Living Programs, YFS offers a federally funded program that assists individuals and families with Homeless Prevention and Rapid-Rehousing. Individuals and families who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless are assisted with rent and utility payments. The needs have been great, YFS served 60 families and Individuals with this program.

Housing assistance to *60 families & individuals* who would otherwise be homeless!

CLIENT SERVICES

Service	Hours	Service	Hours
Arts & Crafts	20	Group Education Youth	592
Assessments	167	Indirect Services	2,798
Case Management	23,603	Living Skills	1,817
Consultation & Supervision	186	Recreation	464
Crisis Intervention	19	Shelter Care	16,355
First Time Offenders Program	1,049	Mentoring	14
Education	1,805	Individual Youth	652
Family Counseling	53	Community Development	1,890
Group Counseling Youth	208	Program Development	4,160
		TOTAL SERVICE HOURS	55,852

Donor Relations/Volunteers

It takes a village! YFS cannot provide these services alone. While other like agencies in our communities help support our services, so many needs are met by in-kind donors, individual donors, civic groups and churches that provide so much for our clients. Our Volunteers and Donors are awesome!

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YFS is a 501(c) 3 and relies on donations.



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Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$3,849,966
Accounts Receivable	\$37,103
Beneficial Interest, Oklahoma Community Foundation	\$28,556
Land, Buildings, and Net Equipment	\$4,388,344
Pre-Paid Expenses	\$23,454
Total Assets	\$8,327,423

LIABILITITES & NET ASSETS

Net Assets, Ending

Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$151,895
Total Liabilities	\$151,895
Net Assets	\$8,175,528
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$8 227 422

REVENUE

Program Funding Grants	\$1,615,700
General Contributions	\$100,519
Gain on Investments	\$82,106
Other	\$301,777
Total Revenue	\$2,100,102

EXPENSES

Community Based Youth Services	\$708,238
Foster Care	\$290,484
Counseling Services	\$180,061
Transitional Living Program	\$221,488
Support Services	\$683,656
Total Expenses	\$2,083,927
Increase in Net Assets	\$16,175
Net Assets, Beginning	\$8,159,353

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YFS Staff

Executive Leadership

Executive Director John Schneider

Finance Director April Teague

Community Programs Director Melissa Larimore

Campus & Shelter Director Latuisha Davis

Program & Support

Dava Biggs Travis Funck Grace Lewis

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If you would like to learn more about our services, we in-





YFS is a charity, not a unit of government.

While YFS does receive some grants from government funds, we are dependent on private support from our community to continue our work. Your generous gift of cash, goods, or volunteer time can help us continue to provide services free of charge to our community!