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In my more than eight years as the Executive Director of Westside Children's Center, I continue to be impressed and humbled by our staff's desire to continue pushing the envelope on client care. Last year, our organization achieved national accreditation by the Council on Accreditation (COA), recognizing our work as best in class and endorsing our continuous quality improvement process, which seeks to break down organizational silos and facilitate a truly multidisciplinary approach to meeting our clients' evolving needs. Throughout this process, what I believe to be our organization's greatest strength was illustrated time and time again: our responsiveness to family need regardless of circumstance, and our insistence on doing whatever it takes.

It is this dedication and creativity that will be required to find solutions to the crisis that has the potential to define our region for generations. As you move throughout Los Angeles, the city's inability to care for its most vulnerable — the enormous population of people without homes

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— is more evident than ever. Over a just a three-year period, women's homelessness increased by 55%. In the last seven years, the total number of people (women, children, families, veterans, etc.) in Los Angeles living without a home has ballooned to 53,195 individuals — finally leveling off this year.

Critically though, the number of people who fell into homelessness for the first time actually increased, with nearly half of them citing job loss or another financial setback as the cause. There is a snowballing population of the “economically homeless” — people who lose their housing due to an unexpected complication (e.g. job loss, divorce, domestic violence, illness, etc.) or as the result of stagnant wage growth clashing with the skyrocketing cost of rent in our community and a severe lack of affordable housing. While there has been some uptick in programs for the homeless, at the same time, the displacement is continuing and actually accelerating because of rising rents.

As even more families are on the brink of homelessness, in perpetual fear of living in their car or living on the streets, this crisis portends more crisis. Almost 600,000 Los Angeles County residents are in poverty and spend 90% or more of their income on housing. As the constant uptick of rent marches on, it's inevitable that homelessness will become a reality for an ever-increasing number of families.

The trauma of homelessness experienced during children's formative years (ages 0-5) can radically alter their brain development, with lifelong repercussions for emotional self-regulation, cognitive skills, and social relationships. And the cycle perpetuates itself: children who grow up homeless or housing-insecure are more likely to encounter domestic violence, sexual abuse, child trafficking, and end up homeless themselves when they reach adulthood. And because WCC exists to serve those who are the most vulnerable, these are our families. It is our mission to cultivate the conditions necessary for children to succeed in life, which begin with a safe place to call home.

Working directly with families, we appreciate first-hand the tremendous stress imposed by LA's housing crisis; we are committed to working creatively with our community partners and civic leaders to address this epidemic, to tear down systemic barriers to

equality, and to fight for conditions that enable children to live lives worthy of all their potential.

I am made hopeful by our staff's success engaging with our families, armed with the knowledge, passion, empathy, and willingness to go above and beyond to prevent the families with whom we work from becoming another statistic. Our Strengthening Families' staff provide varied, intensive services for families in crisis, and are relentless in their pursuit of concrete support and resources to engender stability and healing. This includes crucial

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case management services like coordinating housing connections/relief, job training, etc. Our Prevention and Aftercare staff work to create a vibrant WCC community with social and educational events for families to connect and ward off the deleterious effects of social isolation. Our Infant Mental Health team provides mental health and infant mental health services for families to heal the wounds of traumatic stress, and treat the root cause of many of the physical manifestations of untreated trauma. Our Foster Care and Adoption staff provide compassionate,

trauma-informed care for children in need of nurturing homes, and guidance and training for the foster parents and relative caregivers entrusted to keep them safe, ensure their well-being, and build a foundation so they, too, have futures that beat the statistics (e.g. 50% of foster children who age out of the system become homeless within 18 months). And our Early Education staff invests in young minds by providing high-quality early education and robust opportunities for social-emotional development, giving children the best opportunity to break the pernicious cycle of trauma and poverty that can haunt families for generations.

And still, we always know there is more we can do. We are committed to continuing to explore innovative ways to be even better, and to serving as a bulwark against the persistent challenges that our families face. Your generosity allows us to be that safeguard our families need. With your support, we're helping thousands of children and families overcome unimaginable obstacles. We thank you for being a compassionate member of our WCC family.

Heather Carrigan

# HOPE AND HEALING



Nearly 18 years ago, Maria Ramirez gave birth to a baby boy at the age of 16. A child herself, she was unprepared and unequipped for the needs of a newborn. She had no money and few resources. She occasionally didn't have enough food or clothing for her child, a fact she still harbors guilt over today. Compelled to make money to provide for her son, Maria dropped out of high school to work full time, but was forced out of the workplace by abuse at the hands of her boss.



Trauma is cyclical. It fundamentally reshapes the architecture of our brains, changing our actions, behaviors, beliefs, and expectations of others. Trauma's cyclical nature often haunts families for generations, and recent research suggests that trauma may impact how the very makeup of who we are — our DNA — is expressed. Westside Children's Center (WCC) staff witness this pernicious cycle every single day. And while trauma can present enormous challenges to our children and families, recent research suggests that supportive therapy and other interventions can buffer its effects. Trauma-informed care has become the centerpiece of WCC's approach to treatment in hopes of breaking this cycle of trauma for future generations of families like the Ramirez'.



When Maria and her family of seven connected with WCC in 2016, they were in a dark place. Four of Maria's children had suffered abuse at the hands of a relative. They were no longer safe in their home, requiring an emergency

relocation to a new neighborhood and a new life. The family lived on the brink of homelessness, struggling to keep up with the rising rents in Los Angeles on one income, and now forced to relocate to a new neighborhood without the community connections and social support that families need to thrive. Perhaps worst of all, Maria had given up hope of providing a better childhood, and better life, for her five children.

The Ramirez family began working with Alyssa, an In-Home Outreach Counselor in WCC's Family

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Preservation program, and several interns in the Infant Early Childhood Mental Health Program in the fall of 2016. They began intensive therapy to heal the wounds of unchecked trauma, and comprehensive case management to work through the logistical challenges of starting over.

As Alyssa remembers: the early months were an emotional rollercoaster. Maria was morose, broken from a cycle of trauma that perpetuated itself from her childhood into her adult life, and now into her children's childhoods as well. In her darkest moments,

she confessed to Alyssa that she had contemplated suicide.

Together, they worked to stabilize her thoughts and feelings and help her recognize the small but persistent steps she was taking to give her kids a better life. Alyssa helped Maria give structure to her day, charting out a schedule that didn't allow her time to dwell on the past. Alyssa encouraged Maria to make time for her own goals — a high school diploma, enrolling at Santa Monica College, and a cosmetology career. They worked through her prior workplace abuse so she felt comfortable interviewing for jobs, and built her resume to make her a competitive candidate. She now has a fulltime job, which they both credit as a great shot of confidence for her self-esteem.

Alyssa and WCC staff sought stability from all angles. WCC helped secure three months of rental assistance to keep the family in their new home throughout their transition and treatment. Alyssa secured beds so that no one would have to sleep on the floor at night again. She found assistance to stay current on the LADWP bill to keep the lights on so the kids could do their homework. She connected them to attorneys to help navigate the intricacies of the legal system. She also found the family a dining room table, finally giving them a hub for nightly dinners, homework, games of Jenga, laughter, and family meetings that helped them heal.

Together with Alyssa, the family worked tirelessly to plug into their new neighborhood and build vital social connections that buffer toxic stress. Alyssa secured YMCA memberships for the entire family to



give them a safe place to be active together. The kids joined a local Boys & Girls Club with access to creative classes, team sports, and new friends. Her youngest children joined youth soccer teams, excelling at the hobby that they practiced with their dad every night when he got home from work.

When the Ramirez family finished WCC's Family Preservation program, Alyssa felt that they still needed additional support to get their feet on solid ground. She referred them to her colleague, Annette, in WCC's Prevention & Aftercare program to continue case management and remain engaged in WCC's social events — including Arts Festival, holiday parties, and more — that are

the cornerstones of a healthy, supportive community.

Annette continued to build on the skills that each family member learned with Alyssa — helping her oldest son work on his resume and interview for jobs, and encouraging Maria as she nears the completion of her GED. When Maria's oldest son recently became a father, Annette connected the young family to WCC's prenatal resources to work on the parenting skills and baby bonding that will ultimately provide the baby with the nurturing, supportive childhood necessary to break the cycle for the next generation.

Though trauma is cyclical, history is not destiny. What struck Alyssa

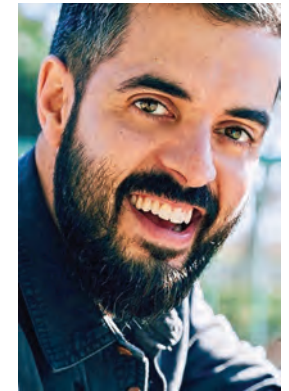


and Annette most during their time with the Ramirez family was not their trauma, but their willingness to work through it together as a family. Maria and her husband hungered for guidance and resources to break the cycles of trauma for their children. They followed through on every suggestion from WCC — be it therapy, medical appointments, meetings with attorneys, sports teams, or showing up to a community event. They allowed hope to exist for a better life, even when it was hard to believe. And with the support of WCC's comprehensive services, they were able to lean into each other for the love and support they needed to find solid ground.

\*Names have been changed

## Voices from the field:

**As a part of WCC's Infant Early-Childhood Mental Health Clinical Internship, graduate students in masters programs for social work and marriage and family therapy have the opportunity to train under our mental health experts, gaining invaluable field experience and lessons that can only be learned by doing. Through this program, WCC is able to train and inspire the next generation of clinicians in the infant mental health field. For a glimpse into their training, one of our clinical interns, Ben, shared part of what he learned while working with WCC:**



When I began my master's program for family therapy, I couldn't wait to start fixing the problems of the people I would be performing therapy on. But when I finally got boots on the ground and began working with teenagers at my first placement, I was hastily reminded of the muddy and complicated reality of life where the prospect of 'quick fixes' and 'home run' successes don't exist. I still remember the words of my favorite professor: "It is not our job to fix people or their problems, but what if we could help make life a little better for them? That's the job."

So I moved away from my "fix-it mentality" and paid attention to the fundamentals. I set out to establish trust and rapport, striving for incremental gains each session, and truly listening with empathy. I committed myself to support the change they desired, even if it meant holding hope for them when they had lost theirs.

At WCC, a mother I have been working with recently shared how our therapy together had made it a little better for her. When we began therapy, she was reluctant to work with a male therapist. However, despite everything she had been through, she found the courage to give me a chance. Her willingness to accept me as a therapist created an opportunity. I was able to support her and help her progress towards her therapeutic goals. She saw that I genuinely cared about her and her family. As we wound down our time working together, she shared that the work we had done together changed something for her: it had allowed her to see that there were still good men in the world that there were men who could be trusted and relied on. And that gave her hope for the future.

I did not "fix" her or take away all of her problems. But I was able to instill hope and help renew her strength to keep fighting for her well-being and the well-being of her family.

— Ben



# Grandma Ollie



Drop by Ollie Lawrence's home and you'll quickly feel the warmth of childhood. Ollie's home is lively, rich with children's giggles, well-loved books, art supplies, games, balls, and all of the other brightly-colored indicators of a loving childhood.

Ollie is a longtime foster mom with Westside Children's Center (WCC), providing a loving, supportive home for children in the foster care system. She is well aware of the increasingly dire need for foster parents in Los Angeles to provide nurturing environments for the thousands of children who enter the system each year due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment, and wants to do her part to take care of the next generation.

As a mother of three biological children, Ollie never really considered fostering when she was younger. But when a tragic accident claimed the life of her youngest child nearly 20 years ago, Ollie and

her husband knew that they had the capacity to help, and wanted to spread goodness in the world, starting by giving children the love and support they needed until they could reunite with their families.

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Ollie estimates that she and her husband have fostered nearly 50 children during the last 20 years, trying their best to reunify children with their families when their parents are ready.

“I'm here to love the child and help the family until they're ready to be

back on their own,” Ollie said. “I try to show them love because that's what everyone needs.”

Ollie makes every effort to include birth families in children's lives, knowing that's the best way to help families through difficult times. She extends invitations to birthday parties, barbecues, and church choir performances, encouraging families to spend as much time together as possible in the best interest of each child.

But when reunification isn't possible, children know they have a home with their Grandma Ollie and her daughter, LaJuana. Ollie has adopted two of the children she's fostered, and is always open to the best option for the child.

Many of Ollie's former foster children remain in her life, dropping by to say 'hi' after church or calling her to check in every so often. Wherever life may take them, they know they always have a home with Grandma Ollie.

# A FAMILY'S JOURNEY



Virginia found out she was pregnant when she was a sophomore in high school. She was scared and alone, and subject to whispers and stares in the hallways for being 16 and pregnant. Feeling increasingly isolated when she got pregnant for a second time, she dropped out of high school.

Unsure of where to turn, she reached out to Westside Children's Center (WCC) and its deep network of support, including prenatal care, early education, home education, infant mental health, job training resources, and more. Virginia joined WCC's prenatal program, working closely with WCC's registered nurse, to help her through a medically difficult pregnancy.

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Virginia began working with WCC Home Educator Lizbet to learn the ins and outs of being a young, single mom to her two children,

Jayden and Jayleen. Lizbet helped Virginia and her children develop strong, secure attachments, singing songs, reading books, playing games, and emphasizing a schedule to help them work toward each new developmental milestone. As Jayden and Jayleen grew, so did Lizbet's repertoire of developmental lessons and activities.

Parenthood is challenging — let alone single, teenage parenthood — and Lizbet was there to quarterback the many trials that Virginia faced. She helped Virginia secure a job after Jayleen was born so she could provide for her kids. She helped her troubleshoot childcare issues so that Virginia wouldn't have to miss work. When Jayden started increasingly throwing tantrums in preschool, Lizbet referred him to WCC's Infant Early Childhood Mental Health program to help him learn positive ways to self-regulate and feel safe and supported when he was apart from his mom. By working each week with an infant mental health intern and expert, Jayden and Virginia strengthened their bond and helped Jayden feel

more secure in his preschool environment.

Knowing that an empowered, confident mom is a good mom, Lizbet also encouraged Virginia to invest in her own personal growth to help her become the best version of herself, and the best mom that she could be for her children. The two worked together on developing higher self-esteem and reducing anxieties that often kept her from chasing her potential. Lizbet encouraged Virginia to get her GED, which she did while working full-time and raising her two children. Now just 22, Virginia is set to graduate this summer from a dental assistant program, allowing herself to provide for her family and set her sights on even bigger dreams.

Virginia credits Lizbet and WCC for giving her the skills necessary to advocate for her children and the confidence to believe they deserve more. Lizbet is now considered a beloved member of the family.

“**We all love Liz and get so excited to see her,” Virginia said. “She's family.**”



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## An Advocate for All

**It's time for birthday "cake" to celebrate 3-year-old Ryan's recent birthday.** The children in San Juana's family childcare get to work in their "bakery," mixing flour, food coloring, and water, rolling it, patting it, and adding a popsicle stick "candle" to top off this sensory exploration/perfect birthday treat.

San Juana is part of Westside Children's Center's (WCC) network of dozens of contracted family childcare providers throughout Los Angeles who are supported by WCC's child development staff to ensure that children in daycare are receiving the highest quality early education.

By working with WCC's Family Support Specialists, San Juana is a conduit to all of WCC's supportive services, including mental health supports, case management, disabilities services, prenatal programs, and community social events, further expanding WCC's reach into the community.

San Juana is fascinated by child development, working to completely

overhaul her home to be a creative space for developing minds — replete with dramatic play areas, cozy corners for reading books, and a sandbox that doubles as a dinosaur excavation site. She attends monthly WCC trainings on everything from trauma-informed care and infant mental health to dealing with challenging behaviors and potty training issues — taking advantage of WCC's deep network of resources to expand the supports she can offer to her families.

She's a tireless advocate for children and families, supporting them with any challenge they face. When she noticed one of the girls in her class was struggling to speak, San Juana connected her with WCC's Disabilities Manager to enroll in speech therapy. When one of her families was in a rental dispute with their landlord and had to move into an unfurnished garage, she worked with WCC to secure furniture and a refrigerator so the family could sleep in a warm bed and store fresh, healthy foods. She routinely refers her families to WCC's Prevention

& Aftercare program for case management, and is a regular at WCC's social events to help plug her families into the supportive community that they need.

San Juana is also a trusted, loyal confidante for families in the program, who often consider her an extension of their family. When an expectant mother in her class had nowhere to turn when she needed someone to watch her son while she delivered her baby, San Juana didn't think twice before offering up her home. If a parent needs to work an extra shift on a weekend to make ends meet, she doesn't hesitate to offer to babysit to help ease the burden on her families. She's always available to lend an ear to a family in need, celebrating their triumphs and empathizing with their challenges.

There's no challenge too great or any task too small for San Juana, making her a perfect fit for WCC's comprehensive approach to providing nurturing childhoods for the children in our Los Angeles community.



# BIG HEARTS of Summer 2017

**Big Hearts of Summer 2017** illustrated what a big impact big hearts can have! WCC supporters from across Los Angeles came together for a beautiful evening at Mr. C Beverly Hills on Wednesday, May 10th — hosted by event co-chairs Carla du Manoir, Jennifer Nordstrom, Patty Penske, Chloe Sommer, and Melissa Wiczky. The event raised more than \$540,000 to support WCC's transformative programs that serve children and families in our Los Angeles community, many of whom have experienced trauma, abuse, or neglect. WCC is so grateful to our tremendous network of supporters that make our work possible!



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# 23rd ANNUAL CHILDREN'S ARTS FESTIVAL

**Creativity and color took center stage** at WCC's 23rd annual Children's Arts Festival on Saturday, October 8, 2016. Our children and families spent the day painting, coloring, drumming, dancing, drawing, and laughing — making lasting memories with family, friends, and neighbors. Families also enjoyed an array of resources from our wonderful community partners, including Children's Hospital Los Angeles, Venice Family Clinic, Didi Hirsch Mental Health Services, and more! Thanks to our generous network of supporters, Arts Festival raised more than \$100,000 for WCC programs that support children and families throughout the year. Thank you to all of our generous donors, volunteers, community, partners, and friends for making this day so special for our children!







# FALL CELEBRATION DINNER

Hundreds of children and families came together at WCC for a feast hosted by parents and students at our longtime partner, Windward School. In addition to delicious turkey and accoutrements, Windward hosted cookie decorating, holiday crafts, and festive games for kids and families to enjoy.



## SPIRIT Week

WCC's Early Education Center pulled out all the stops for Fall Spirit Week, coming alive with the spirit of the season! Children and teachers alike showed off their creativity for Crazy Hat Day, Pajama Day, and Crazy Hair Day. Everyone's favorite superheroes and cartoon characters made an appearance on Character Day and Dress Up Day, while the children paraded around amongst the decorative gourds and seasonal sweets.



# WINTER READING PARTY

Everyone's favorite literary characters took center stage during WCC's annual Winter Reading Party! Children and families cozied up together to share their favorite stories, sipping hot cocoa, decorating gingerbread men, and nibbling on sweet treats.



# WINTER Festival

WCC invited families to kick off the holiday season at our Winter Festival on Saturday, December 16. Nearly 160 children and their parents joined for a spirited afternoon of games, crafts, delectable treats, and prize giveaways.

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  - Matthew Singer
  - Nailah Smith
  - Jenna Soong
  - Karen Spurney
  - Linda Stamer
  - Cora Stoermer
  - Boden Stringer
  - Libby Strobel
  - Rebecca Sugermen
  - Annie Swiller
  - Jane Swiller
  - Olivia Swiller
  - Tafton Thompson
  - Trisha Treadwell
  - Patrick Warfield
  - Frances Watts
  - Laura Weil
  - Benton Weinstock
  - Davida Williams
  - Joy Williams
  - Aaron Windsor
  - Hana Woolley
  - La Verne Yamasaka
  - Caroline Young
  - Kendall Zeidner
  - USC
  - Willows
  - Windward
- ## Special Volunteer Groups
- Agape International Spiritual Center
  - Arts Festival Event Volunteers
  - Book in a bag
  - Goodwill Ambassadors
  - Junior League of Los Angeles
  - National Charity League
  - Spark 44
  - WCC Parents and Families
- ## School Partners
- Brentwood School
  - Curtis School
  - John Thomas Dye
  - Loyola High School
  - Park Century
  - Pepperdine
  - UCLA

# ANNUAL REPORT /

JULY 1, 2016 - JUNE 30, 2017

Westside Children's Center has a 30-year history of working tirelessly with vulnerable children and families in Los Angeles, safeguarding them from the devastating effects of trauma and social and economic injustice. WCC is dedicated to breaking the cycles of intergenerational poverty, abuse, and neglect by providing high-quality early education programs, child welfare initiatives, foster care and adoptions services, and integrated supports to help families thrive. **By providing children an environment that catalyzes their creativity and innate intelligence, and developing parents' ability to support their children's physical, cognitive, and social-emotional development, WCC is helping to give children a chance to lead lives filled with opportunity.**

## EARLY EDUCATION

Westside Children's Center's early education programs, which leverage base funding from three California Department of Education contracts as well as two Early Head Start contracts, provide high-quality, year-round early education for more than 500 children ages 0 to 5 from very-low-income families. We provide services at our state-of-the-art early education center, through our network of licensed home-based education providers, and in individual family homes. WCC maintains a low staff-to-child ratio in our inclusive, bilingual classrooms to ensure every child's healthy social-emotional, cognitive, and physical development.

## CHILD WELFARE

Westside Children's Center has four contracts with the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to provide Family Preservation, Prevention and Aftercare, and Foster and Adoption services to more than 600 families annually. Our highly-trained staff works with families to protect children who have been (or are at risk of being) abused or neglected by providing individual and family counseling, substance abuse treatment, mental

health services, domestic violence psychoeducational groups, parent-child education, and extensive case management. We also recruit, train, and support loving foster and foster-adoptive parents who create nurturing, educationally rich homes for children of all ages.

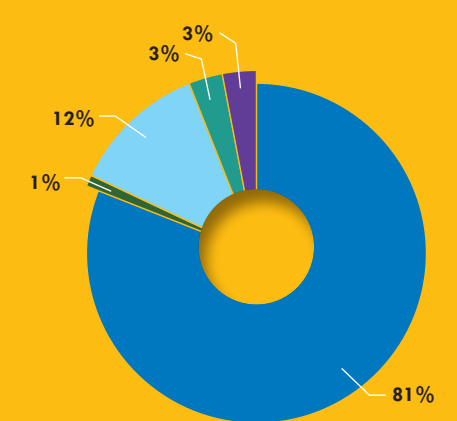
## COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES

Westside Children's Center provides children and families in our programs with an array of vital, integrated supports, including semiannual disabilities screenings and special needs advocacy, pediatric mental health consultations, trauma screening and intervention, dental, vision, and hearing screenings, bilingual parenting and child development classes, and access to our full time public health nurses. We also connect families with other organizations in our robust network of community partners, including Venice Family Clinic, St. Joseph Center, Safe Place for Youth, and Miriam's House. WCC's dual generational approach ensures all children grow up with the foundation to succeed in school and in life.

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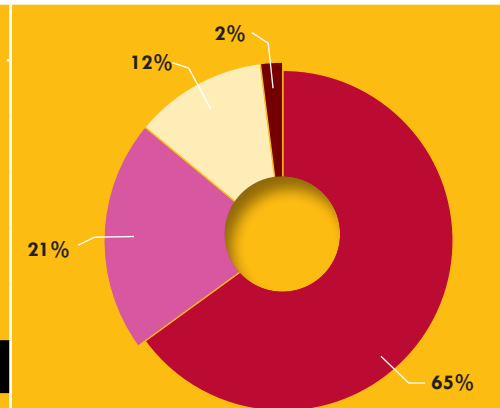
## REVENUE 6/30/17

	TOTAL	PERCENT
GOVERNMENT	\$6,921,471	81%
PARENT FEES	\$105,507	1%
PRIVATE FUNDRAISING	\$1,061,836	12%
MISCELLANEOUS	\$260,131	3%
CONTRIBUTED GOODS & SERVICES	\$234,008	3%
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$8,582,953</b>	<b>100%</b>



## EXPENSES 6/30/17

	TOTAL	PERCENT
EARLY EDUCATION	\$5,313,372	65%
CHILD WELFARE	\$1,736,712	21%
<b>SUBTOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$7,050,084</b>	<b>86%</b>
ADMINISTRATION	\$975,297	12%
DEVELOPMENT	\$174,776	2%
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$8,200,157</b>	<b>100%</b>
NET SURPLUS	\$ 152,977	



# WCC SUPPORTERS

FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017)

## \$25,000 AND ABOVE

- The Atlas Family Foundation
- The Capital Group Companies Charitable Foundation
- Carla & Gerald du Manoir
- Marianna & David Fisher
- Shelby Notkin
- Patty & Greg Penske/Longo Toyota Lexus
- Tikun Olam Foundation
- Weingart Foundation
- Anonymous
- Anonymous

## \$10,000 - \$24,999

- Gary Broad Foundation
- The John W. Carson Foundation
- Erica & Evan Fisher
- Michael Green
- The Adi and Jerry Greenberg Foundation
- Stacey & Larry Kohl
- The Andrew Kramer Foundation
- Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Charities
- Malcolm & Mimi MacLean
- PricewaterhouseCoopers LLC
- The Riordan Foundation
- Steven & Stephanie Shafran – The Otis Booth Foundation
- Anne & Yves Sisteron
- Chloe & Kirk Sommer
- The Stockel Family Foundation
- Annie & Gaines Wehrle
- Kennedy Wilson

## \$5,000 - \$9,999

- Anne Sisteron Fine Jewelry
- J.J. Abrams & Kathleen McGrath
- Lorena Barrientos & Mark Merritt
- Karen Bell & Robb Cox Jr.
- Amanda Brown & Justin Chang
- Peter & Susie Comisar
- Cushman Wakefield/Leslie J. Mayer

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- Leslie Joseph
- Maureen & Christopher Liebes
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- Michelle & Michael O'Brien
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- Kathleen & Laurence Paul
- Amita & Harshith Ramesh
- Ronus Foundation
- Kathleen & Chip Rosenbloom
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- The Simon-Strauss Foundation
- Susan & Eric Smidt
- Martha & Ari Swiller
- The Max Tinglof Memorial Fund
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- Melissa & Roe Wiczzyk
- Leah & Steven Yari
- Christina Zilber
- Daniel & Susan Zinn

## \$2,500 - \$4,999

- Another Planet Entertainment
- Debbie & Mark Attanasio
- Andrew & Avery Barth
- Ambassador Frank & Kathy Baxter
- Kavitha & Sunny Bhatia
- Canyon Partners
- Richard Donner & Lauren Schuler Donner
- Quinn & Bryan Ezralow
- Bill & Tricia Flumenbaum
- Teresa & Mike Fourticq
- Abner & Roslyn Goldstine
- Jim Green
- Haskell Fund
- Jam Productions

- Tatiana & Todd James
- Lezlie Johnson
- Mark Johnson
- Deborah & Edward Kaen
- Kiwanis Club of Santa Monica
- Allen & Anita Kohl
- Alicia & Bob Levitt
- Beth & Bob Lowe
- Afsaneh Malaekah & Brian LeSage
- Gregory & EJ Milken Foundation
- Monqui Presents
- Leanne Moore
- Ali & Jeff Morgan
- Nicole & Allan Mutchnik
- Susan & Charles Newirth
- Pass it Along Fund – California Community Foundation
- Prime Healthcare
- Bea Torrado-Ridgley & Erik Ridgley
- Harry & Jeanne Robinson
- Mario & Sara Rodriguez
- Sony Pictures Entertainment
- Jenny & Don Strasburg
- TJX Foundation
- Gloria & Art Waldinger
- Sheila & Clint Walker
- Jodi & Ian Weingarten
- Anonymous

## \$1,000 - \$2,499

- Alex & Alexa Amin
- Bonnie Arnold
- Margaret Bernstein
- Big Picture Entertainment
- Mary Beth Boyle
- Tricia Cardoso & Jim Rishwain
- Masha & Scott Chase
- Thomas Cotsen & Jennifer Blum
- The Culver Studios
- Del Dental Group
- Walter Delph
- Clar Dern
- James Deutch

- Jenny & Richard Eidingar
- Jonathan & Natalie Fischer
- JoJo & Eric Fleiss
- Marci & Greg Foster
- Whitney Green – Taylor Made Pictures, Inc.
- Deena & David Gussman
- Priscilla Halper
- Travis & Penny Hansen
- Denise & Wilson Howard
- Kappa Delta – Alpha Iota Chapter
- John Ketcham & Leah Antonio-Ketcham
- The Kleiner Cohen Foundation
- Robert Kohl
- Brad Krevoy & Susie Belzberg
- Ann Kronen
- Richard Leib
- Todd & Kasey Lemkin
- Steven & Cynthia Levine
- Kathleen & John Libby
- Carla & Rodney Liber
- Vicki & Larry London – V&L London Family Foundation
- Navid Mahmoodzadegan & Joanne Gappy
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- Katherine & Andrew Meyer
- Christopher Miller & Catherine McNamee
- Modern HR
- Sheila & Page Nazarian
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- Sara Newkirk Simon
- Park Century School
- Whitney Phillips
- Alan Poul
- Heather Pulier & Ennis Jones
- Jane Ross
- Andrew & Jamie Schwartzberg
- Suzanne & Brian Selmo
- Servicon Systems
- Mike & Wendy Sidley
- Natalie Stevenson & Jessica Cohen

- Stolaroff Family Foundation
- Talin & Scott Tenley
- Mark & Amy Tercek
- Laura & Thomas Tippl
- John Weissenbach & Ann Southworth
- Wells Fargo
- Peg Yorkin
- Marisa & Jeremy Zimmer

## \$500 - \$999

- AC Entertainment
- Antonio Ketcham Law
- Association Reserves, Inc.
- Allen & Alyssa Ba
- Lorraine Berchtold
- Gerald Berke & Karen Duvall
- Berkley Design – Joan G. Berkley
- Nancy & Mike Bertrando
- Stacy & Uri Blackman
- Penny & Bradley Broffman
- Terry Burke
- Mark Campana
- Dehua Chen
- Larry & Paulette Cohen
- Amy Corbin
- Creditors Adjustment Bureau
- Natasha Croxall
- Ronald Delsener
- Desert Trust Company
- Nancy & Robert Ellin
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- Eva & Michael Gaw
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- Gabby & David Haen
- Laurie & Christopher Harbert
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- The HEAT Group – Jarred Diamond
- Beth & Kenneth Karmin

- Katherine & Frank Kenska
- Kirkeby Foundation
- Johannes Koerm
- Suzanne Kraus
- Paul Krogstad & Nan Heard
- David Larkin
- Longo Toyota Lexus
- Marina del Rey Hospital
- Miller Kaplan Arase LLP
- Vizhier Mooney
- John & Colleen Morrissey Foundation
- Muirfield Partners – Mickey Mandelbaum
- Caroline & Chris O'Donnell
- Don & Shana Passman
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- Huston Powell
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