



ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

Healing From Trauma



My second year as President and CEO of Sunflower House was full of meeting new people, engaging with our partners, and meeting the children and families who visit us each day.

As a long-time supporter and partner of Sunflower House before my new role as President and CEO, I was aware of the critical services Sunflower House provided. As a member of the Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) of child welfare professionals, I had a front-row seat to the collaboration and trust between our partners. I knew well the commitment and dedication of our partners in law enforcement, child protective services, mental health, and medical providers.

But being here each day, working alongside our staff, Board, and volunteers, I have the chance to see a new side of Sunflower House. A side of this community treasure called Sunflower House has quietly and steadfastly protected children from abuse supported and advocated for parents and families, taught children how to recognize unwanted and unsafe contact - and what to do about it - and trained adults how to protect children, intervene, and stop child abuse.

Before my time here, I knew little about our Happy Bear Program and the thousands of children we reach each year in local schools - the number of Mandated Reporters we taught how to respond to suspected child abuse with confidence and compassion.

And I did not grasp the impact of unwavering support from our community. I never had the chance to see the heartfelt donations of everything from teddy bears and cleaning supplies - to gifts and grants of every size that keep our doors open and provide the services children and families need.

I had never met our volunteers - the dedicated people who give generously of their free time to help with our special events, keep our building organized, paint walls, plant flowers (and pumpkins!), repair our faucets, fix our computers...and the list goes on.

I always knew Sunflower House was a special place - a safe and welcoming place for children and families. Now I know firsthand what a hopeful place this is. All because of you - partners, donors, volunteers, Board, staff, educators, and the children and adults we serve.

This annual report is simply a snapshot of an incredible year - one that you made possible. Thank you for welcoming me to Sunflower House, for your dedication, and for joining us in our fight to support families and educate our community.

Judi Rodman
President and CEO

Education Program Services

COMMUNITY EDUCATION IS KEY TO PROTECTING CHILDREN

Our education programs at Sunflower House are designed to teach children and adults how to recognize and respond to suspected child maltreatment.

Children's programs teach youth about personal boundaries. Our Happy Bear play engages children in a non-threatening way, providing them a better understanding of how to tell a safe adult about unwanted contact.

Our adult education programs and training focus on placing the responsibility of recognizing and responding to suspected child abuse where it should be - with adults. Our programs educate adults on possible symptoms of child maltreatment and how to respond in a supportive manner.

Sunflower House is proud to offer all of our education programs in English and Spanish.

16,857

CHILDREN PARTICIPATED IN AN EDUCATION PROGRAM

3,516

ADULTS PARTICIPATED IN AN EDUCATION PROGRAM

224

HAPPY BEAR PLAYS

177

SCHOOLS AND EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTERS HOSTED SUNFLOWER HOUSE



Child Assessment Services

HOPE IN TIMES OF CRISIS

Our child assessment team provides crisis intervention and assessment services for children suspected of being victims of child maltreatment and their families. Sunflower House provides a safe, welcoming, and neutral environment where children can share what happened to them during a specialized forensic interview.

During their visit, caregivers receive family advocacy services and information about what to expect and how to support their child.

At Sunflower House, our assessment services center around the child and their family. We bring all the professionals together to support the child and family, significantly reducing the trauma children and families experience.

489

**FORENSIC
INTERVIEWS
PROVIDED**

481

**CHILDREN
RECEIVED
CRISIS
SERVICES**

433

**CAREGIVERS
PROVIDED
FAMILY
ADVOCACY**



Therapy Services

HELPING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES HEAL FROM TRAUMA

A traumatic experience may create emotions and behaviors that persist long after the traumatic event. Our therapy program guides the child and family through these emotions and behaviors.

Through early identification and intervention with evidence-based behavioral health care, we hope to reduce the negative long-term impact of trauma for children and their family.

In partnership with PACES, a children's mental health provider, Sunflower House offers therapy to any child who receives a forensic interview at Sunflower House. We also provide services to any of their siblings who reside in the home and the non-offending caregiver or parent.

PACES therapists' are specially trained to work with children and adults impacted by child abuse and trauma. Therapy is critical to helping a child, and their family heal from trauma and move forward.

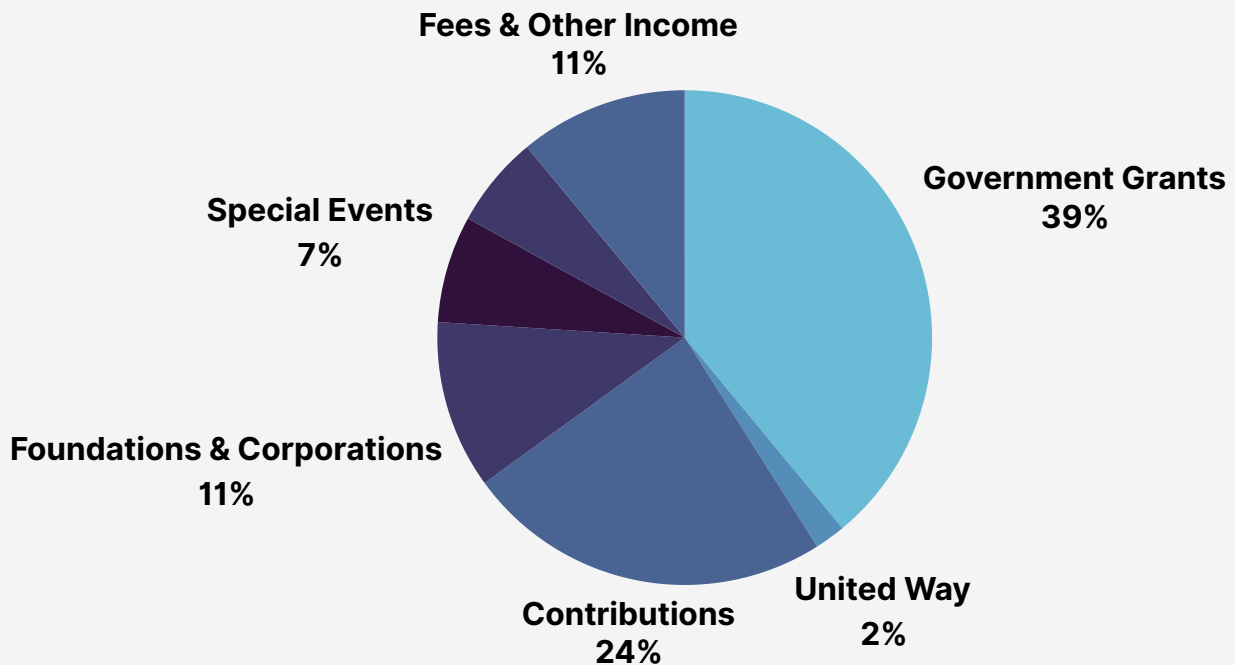
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HOURS OF THERAPY PROVIDED

229
NEW CLIENTS ACCESSED
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

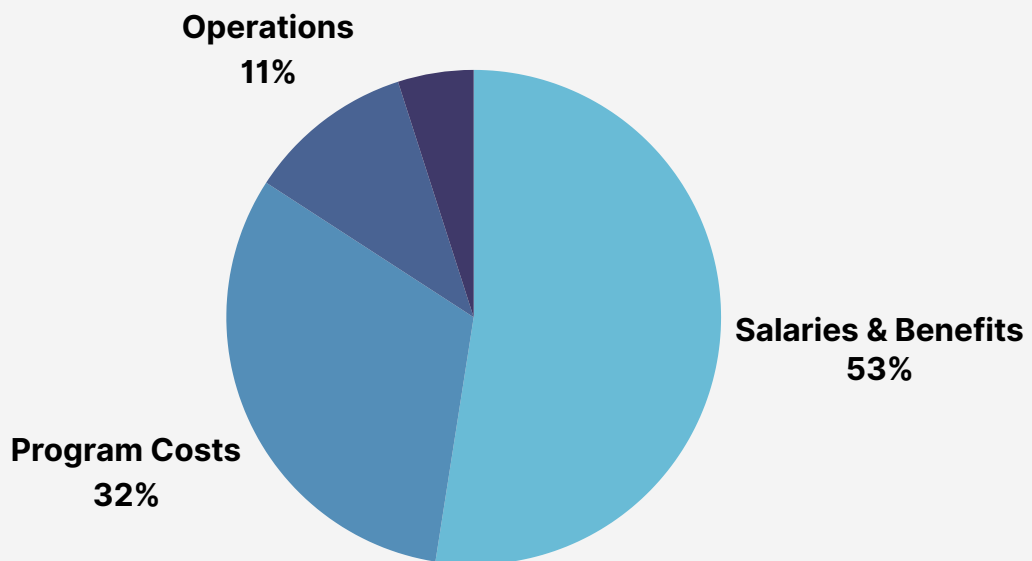


2020-2021 Financial Report

TOTAL REVENUE - \$2,146,793



TOTAL EXPENSES - \$1,895,113



Audited Financial Statements July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

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Our Mission

To protect children in our community from physical and sexual abuse through education, advocacy, forensic, medical and mental health services.



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Report Child Abuse

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