2024-2025 SUNFLOWER HOUSE ANNUAL REPORT

Sunflower House™
Child Advocacy Center

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Sunflower House provides critical support for children and families impacted by abuse and trauma. Last year, our skilled team offered compassionate, child-focused services, including forensic interviews, advocacy, counseling, and education, serving hundreds of children across the community. Through these services, we not only help children heal but also equip families, schools, and community partners with the tools to prevent abuse and respond effectively. Our impact is measured not just in numbers, but in the safety, resilience, and hope we help restore in the lives of the children we serve.

49,017

TOTAL PERSONS PROVIDED SERVICES AT SUNFLOWER HOUSE

41,026

CHILDREN SERVED

7,991

ADULTS SERVED

EDUCATION PROGRAM

Sunflower House's educational programs are designed to empower both children and adults to recognize and address abuse.

We provide a range of prevention education programs for children from Pre-K through high school. Our Happy Bear Program engages younger children in a safe, age-appropriate environment, helping them understand body safety, the difference between safe and unsafe touches, and how to identify trusted adults. As students grow, our curriculum evolves with them, providing developmentally appropriate education that reinforces personal boundaries, digital safety, and how to seek help.
This year, Sunflower House proudly signed official partnerships with every school district in Johnson and Wyandotte Counties, expanding our reach and deepening our commitment to prevention. Through these partnerships, we are now positioned to provide prevention education to up to 130,000 children and adults annually, ensuring that life-saving information reaches students, educators, and families across our entire service area.

Our adult education programs focus on equipping parents, caregivers, educators, and community members with the knowledge and skills necessary to identify and respond to suspected child abuse. These trainings emphasize the critical role adults play in prevention, early intervention, and mandated reporting, reinforcing that protecting children is a shared community responsibility.

Additionally, Sunflower House offers all educational programs in both Spanish and English to ensure accessibility and inclusion for all members of our community.

40,619

CHILDREN PARTICIPATED IN AN EDUCATION PROGRAM

768

K-12 EDUCATION PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS

3,268

CHILDREN AND ADULTS RECEIVED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING IN SPANISH

7,890

ADULTS PARTICIPATED IN AN EDUCATION PROGRAM

CHILD ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

Sunflower House's Child Assessment Team delivers essential services for children suspected of experiencing maltreatment, as well as for their families. Our facility offers a safe, welcoming, and neutral environment where children can openly share their experiences during a forensic interview conducted by specially trained professionals. These interviews are conducted with sensitivity and care, ensuring children are heard while minimizing the need for repeated questioning.

During their visit, caregivers receive support from a dedicated family advocate who provides information on what to expect, guidance on next steps, and resources to help them best support their child throughout the investigative and healing process.

This year, Sunflower House also helped initiate the first CSEC/CSAM Taskforce in the state. This group is focused on addressing the complex and growing challenges of Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) and Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM). This collaborative effort brings together our multidisciplinary team members to strengthen investigations, enhance coordinated response, and ensure that children impacted by exploitation receive specialized, trauma-informed support and advocacy.

At Sunflower House, our services are centered on the needs of the child and their family. We bring together a multidisciplinary team of professionals to collaboratively support both the child and their family.

508

FORENSIC INTERVIEWS PROVIDED

486

CHILDREN RECEIVED CRISIS SERVICES

407

CAREGIVERS PROVIDED FAMILY ADVOCACY

THERAPY PROGRAM

Traumatic experiences can lead to emotional and behavioral challenges that persist long after the event. Sunflower House provides compassionate, trauma-informed, evidence-based therapy to help children and families navigate these complex experiences, promoting healing, stability, and resilience.

In partnership with PACES, a provider specializing in children's mental health, Sunflower House offers therapeutic services to any child who completes a forensic interview at our facility. Services are also extended to siblings living in the home and to non-offending caregivers, recognizing that effective healing often involves the entire family system. PACES therapists are specifically trained to work with individuals impacted by child abuse and trauma, helping restore a sense of safety and hope.

3,258

CONTACT HOURS MADE WITH CLIENTS

Sunflower House launched its Problematic Sexual Behavior–Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (PSB-CBT) program in 2020 to provide early, evidence-based intervention for children ages 7–12 exhibiting concerning sexual behaviors. This year, two therapists and the President/CEO completed specialized PSB-CBT training, allowing the organization to offer group services and provide internal supervision and consultation. We expanded staff training to enable on-site group therapy sessions, increasing access to this critical program.

188

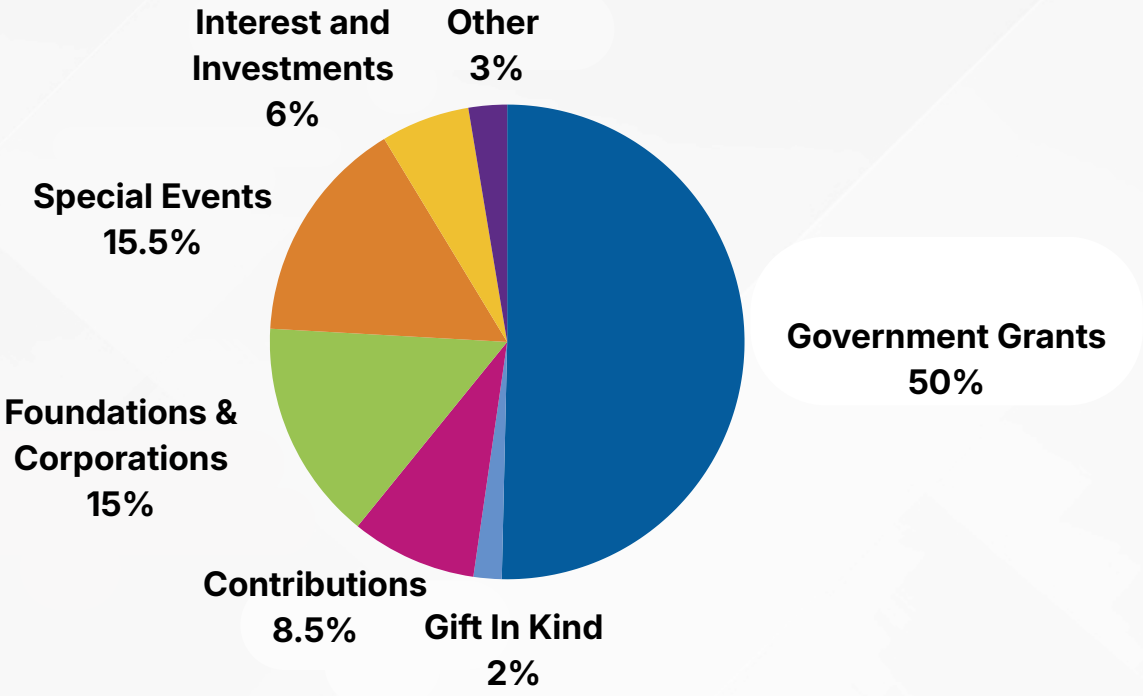
NEW CLIENTS ACCESSED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

The need for PSB-CBT continues to grow, as the average age of first exposure to pornography is approximately nine years old, most often through accidental exposure. At Sunflower House, 95% of children receiving PSB-CBT reported exposure to online sexualized content. By intervening early and actively involving caregivers, PSB-CBT reduces the risk of future harm and promotes healthier outcomes, with a 92% success rate for children and caregivers who complete treatment.

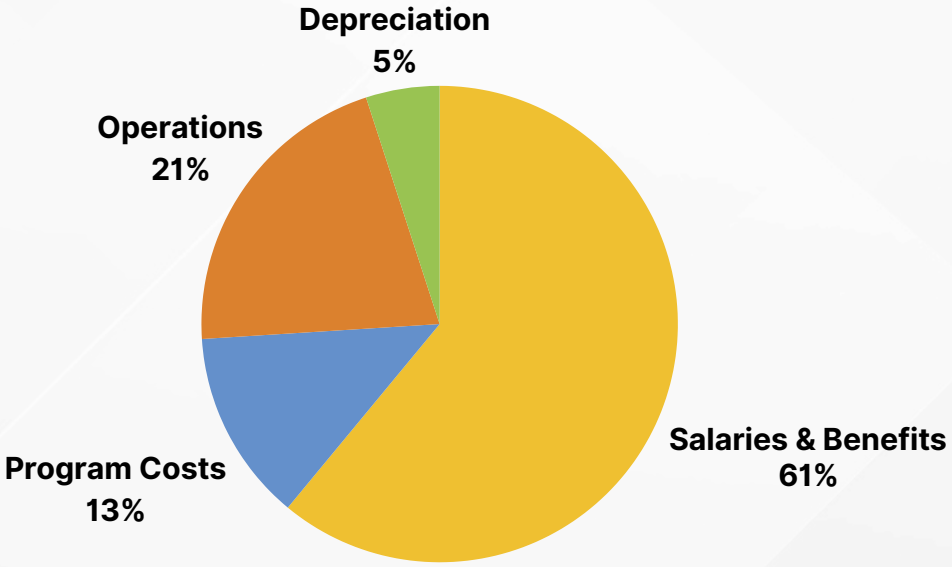
PACES

2024-2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

TOTAL REVENUE $1,795,046



TOTAL EXPENSES $1,865,263



Unaudited Financial Statements July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025

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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.

Our Vision

To see safe children thriving in nurturing families and communities.

REPORT CHILD ABUSE

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