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# IMPACT REPORT

FY 2016-17



BUILDING TRUST = CREATING IMPACT

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**The Village welcomes our two  
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Dear Friends,

It is said that trust is the foundation on which all things are built; staff and leadership at The Village Family Services (The Village) couldn't agree more.

In the context of The Village's commitment to impacting lives within our community, that means trust between our clients and staff, our community and organization, and between our supporters and the work we do every day. We take this commitment to heart, ensuring that our work with each individual served—whether placing a child with a loving foster family, helping a family heal from trauma, or providing stability to a youth experiencing homelessness—honors that trust.

We also value and respect the financial and in-kind contributions our supporters have trusted in us, understanding that you put your trust in us to be good stewards with the limited donations we need each year to grow and strengthen our programs. Our strong financial and programmatic audits are a testament to this commitment to excellence and the high expectation we hold for ourselves.

As the needs in our community continue to grow, The Village is growing with them. Whether it is our new offices in Huntington Park, serving highly vulnerable children and families, or the 50-bed housing facility for youth experiencing homelessness we opened in early 2018, our focus remains on maintaining and building trust with all our stakeholders, and in doing so, strengthening our own "Village" to better serve our clients.

To all of our clients, partners, and supporters, thank you for placing your trust in The Village's ability to transform lives and strengthen our community. Together, we can ensure that every child has the tools and supports for success.

With Deepest Appreciation,

**Hugo Villa, LMFT, Co-Founder/Chief Executive Officer  
Irma Seilicovich, LMFT, Co-Founder/Chief Operating Officer**

# YEAR-AT-A-GLANCE

## Ending Youth Homelessness

Youth are the fastest growing demographic among Los Angeles's homeless population. Of nearly 6,000 youth, 64% are ages 18-28, and 41% are under 18. As the lead agency serving homeless youth in the San Fernando and Santa Clarita Valleys, The Village continues to strengthen our focus on identifying and supporting these youth, providing basic services, such as food, showers and clean clothes, as well as housing, educational support, and job coaching and placement.



**Drop-in Center, North Hollywood**

Serving more than **800** homeless youth

**Residential Program, Van Nuys**

Housing **10** formerly homeless youth

**Residential Program, Burbank**

Housing **50** formerly homeless youth

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## The Village Is Expanding!

When the area of Southeast Los Angeles was designated as a “resource desert” by leading foundations, The Village stepped up to expand services in these critically underserved communities by purchasing a commercial property in the City of Huntington Park. With these renovations set to be completed by June 2018, the facility will expand our signature mental health and foster family services, establishing a permanent resource for children, youth and families, and a resource partner among community leaders.

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**20%**

of foster children identify as **LGBTQ**

**40%**

of homeless youth identify as **LGBTQ**

## Expanding Support for LGBTQ Youth & Caregivers

In 2017, The Village was awarded a highly competitive grant by USC's Los Angeles Community Impact (LACI) group to conduct a needs assessment for LGBTQ youth in the San Fernando Valley. From that study, we were able to enhance our existing outreach and engagement program, Project Q, to include weekly support groups and healthy social activities for youth, as well as workshops/support groups for caregivers of LGBTQ children.

The value of The Village's comprehensive services for high-risk youth is particularly clear among homeless LGBTQ youth. As data shows, this population is homeless longer, tends to be in worse mental and physical health, and experiences bullying, family rejection and abuse more often than other youth.

# IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

**4,418**  
total clients served

(children, youth & caregivers)

## Mental Health Services

**20,000**

hours of child & family counseling

## Foster Care Services

**750**

foster children placed in loving homes

## Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Services

**753**

youth served at The Village

**6,000**

meals served

**469**

housing referrals

**1,578**

educational referrals and employment assistance

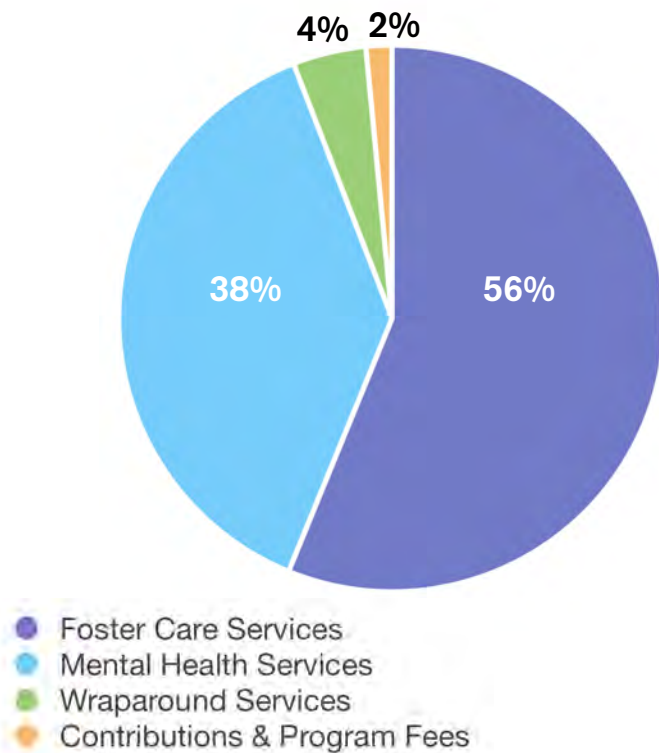
*"The worst was feeling broken and hopeless, like I couldn't do anything about my situation. I was sitting on a park bench one day, crying, when a Village staff member who I had talked to earlier, walked up and said, 'We'll work out something, Moultrie, but in the meantime, we found you a place to stay.' That house meant everything to me."* —**Moultrie, current client**

*"At the beginning of this journey to foster a child, I was concerned if there would be enough support for me as a single mother. Since fostering through The Village, there has always been support—day or night—whenever I needed to reach out. Fostering has been a truly amazing experience and I believe more people should know the positive side of it."* —**Rei, Village foster parent**



# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## REVENUE & SUPPORT



### CONTRIBUTIONS & IN-KIND SUPPORT

Contributions	50,151
In Kind Support	159,268
Special Events	(2,627)
Grants	42,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 249,292</b>

### PROGRAM CONTRACTS

Foster Care Services	8,136,058
Mental Health Services	5,494,921
Wraparound Services	628,852
Adoption	185,000
Clothing Allowance	45,948
TAY Services	913,659
Housing Services	207,468
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 15,611,906</b>

### OTHER

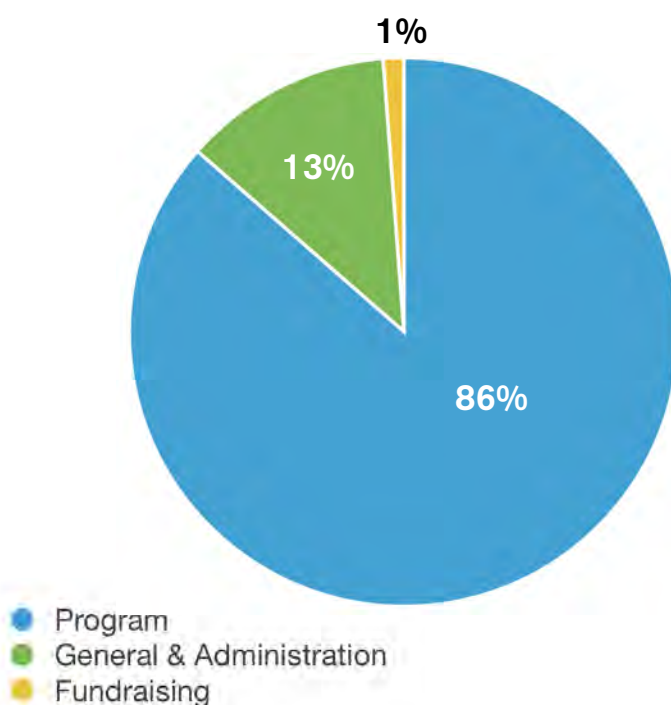
Program Fees	182,319
Interest / Other	(10,293)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 172,026</b>

**Total Revenue** **\$ 16,033,224**

### EXPENDITURES

Program	13,655,096
General & Administration	1,947,794
Fundraising	192,562
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$15,795,452</b>

## OPERATING EXPENSES



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*"The Village Family Services has deeply transformed the lives of thousands of LA County's most vulnerable children, young people, and families. Their strong and innovative programs, focused on foster & homeless youth, have made them a valued partner with the County of Los Angeles in our ongoing mission to continually improve the quality of care for all children."* —**Los Angeles County Supervisor, Sheila Kuehl**

**We need your help!**  
**Volunteer or donate to support our youth & families!**  
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