Our Mission

The Mission of the Children’s Home Society is to promote the well-being of children. Our current efforts are directed at helping children find lifetime families, protecting and nurturing children, and helping preserve and strengthen their families.

Message from the Board Chair and Chief Executive Officer

It has been a privilege and honor to serve as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Children’s Home Society of West Virginia for the past two years. Having the opportunity to serve on a team with such highly dedicated board members, passionate organization members and growing supporters has been a grand slam!

As we look back at 2016 and 2017, we should all be extremely proud of the teamwork and success of the Agency. As the children of West Virginia continue to have a growing demand for our services, the dedication of staff, volunteers and supporters have embraced the challenge and gone above and beyond. As in baseball, our goal for the children of West Virginia is to get them “home” safe.

As we look forward to next year and beyond, I am excited to see where this Organization can go in its efforts to serve children of West Virginia. I have no doubts that if things continue as they are the course of the Agency will be “out of the park!”

God Bless all of you for your role in the Children’s Home Society of West Virginia and again thank you for allowing me to be a part.

This 2016-2017 Annual Report “Swing For the Fences” – “The Power of You” reflects the teamwork that led to great success in our efforts to promote the well-being of all children. Our team strategy and on the field leadership helped us in determining which plays to make each day for the best possible outcomes. I am reminded that 25 years ago I started out working in one of our emergency child shelters where I first learned the rules of the game. Over time I have played many positions within our great organization, and today as CEO I recognize the hard work and dedication of our staff, volunteers, and supporters. There is a meaningful statistic in baseball, “how many runs did your score”, with the number of children and families cared for last year, it was definitely a World Series win.
**Who We Are**

The Children’s Home Society of West Virginia is a private, non-profit child welfare organization founded in 1896. The Society is a participatory organization consisting of employees, foster families, adoptive families, volunteers, Board of Directors, Directors Emeriti, advisory council members, donors, benefactors, supporters, and friends. We are governed by a volunteer Board of Directors that is representative of the communities we serve from around the state. We are licensed to provide child welfare and behavioral health services in West Virginia. We are a member agency of the West Virginia Alliance for Children and we are fully accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families and Children.

Comprehensive child welfare, behavioral health, social casework, and advocacy provided services to 15,552 children and their families from our thirteen primary locations throughout the state. Some of our current programs are statewide adoption, foster care, emergency child shelter care, as well as in-home and in-community services for children and families, respite care, parent education and training, prenatal and early childhood services, volunteer and mentoring services, youth services, visitation and reunification services, school based social work, and comprehensive assessment services.

**Our Vision**

The Children’s Home Society, working in concert with other organizations and institutions, assures that each child in West Virginia grows up in a safe and nurturing family that provides for his or her current and future needs.

**Basic Principles**

- **Staff.** We value and support our employees and recognize that caring, well-trained, qualified, and highly motivated personnel are critical to our success.

- **Diversity.** Our efforts are strengthened and enhanced through the economic and cultural diversity of our clients, employees, contributors, and friends.

- **Clients.** We recognize that the well-being of the children and families we serve is our first priority.

- **Ethical Standard.** We honor commitments to clients, contributors, funding organizations and communities.

- **Governance.** The most important role of our governing board is to lead the organization into the future.

- **Organizational Performance.** We strive to be a quality controlled, customer driven, team managed organization.

- **Collaboration.** Meaningful partnerships with other organizations, government and communities are necessary to attain our mission.

- **Use of Resources.** We are committed to obtaining and using, in a cost effective manner, every available resource to benefit the children and families we serve.

- **A Sense of Purpose.** We are a mission driven organization.
Players score runs by getting on base and advancing to home. Our Permanency Programs are about helping children cross home plate. Our many family strengthening programs help children live and thrive at home. However when this is not possible children need a foster or adoptive home. The Society is there to provide that home for them. Last year 522 children were cared for by our foster families who provided these children with 83,497 days of care. Our adoption program helped 81 children have a forever family and permanency in their lives.

“Baseball is a lot like life. It’s a day-to-day existence, full of ups and downs. You make the most of your opportunities in baseball as you do in life.”

Ernie Harwell
Every child dreams about a new day, one that will impact and change their lives. Just as in baseball, the new day brings new possibilities and a new start no matter if you won or lost your last game. Last year a field of dreams and possibilities was before us as the Society's emergency child shelters cared for 894 youth and provided them 36,113 days of care. Throughout the State our staff showed up everyday with passion and enthusiasm to help our children meet that day's challenges. We coached, we encouraged, we taught and we cried. Whether it was helping them get to the next base or helping them get home, we were there for them for 36,113 “new” days. With one runner on or with the bases loaded we will always swing for the fences for a child’s dream of that “new” day.

“Every day is a new opportunity. You can build on yesterday’s success or put its failures behind and start over again. That’s the way life is, with a new game every day, and that’s the way baseball is.”

Bob Feller
Family Strengthening Programs

- Visitation
  - 184

- Play Therapy
  - 316

- Child Advocacy Center & Victim Support
  - 538

- Right From the Start - Parents as Teachers - Birth to Three
  - 383

- Safe at Home
  - 84

Youth Services
- 255
“Just because you’re down to your last strike, you’re not out yet. You can always do more. You’ll always have more at-bats to take. That’s true in life.”

Tony La Russa
THE SOCIETY’S
RESOURCE CENTERS

Children’s Home Society’s Resource Centers are Strengthened by In-Kind Contributions. This year, the resources centers assisted 7,169 Children and families across the state. Our Resource Centers were busy places in 2016-2017.

Forever Families Resource Center
Northfork, WV

Success through Empowerment Place
Martinsburg, WV

Ray Skeens Resource Center
Charleston, WV

Parkersburg Resource Center
Parkersburg, WV

Morgantown Resource Center
Morgantown, WV

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A Framework of Giving

Your cash contribution is tax deductible and will be used to help children in West Virginia. Donor wishes are always honored and you may choose the program that your gift supports.

You may participate in the Neighborhood Investment Program. By giving a contribution of $500.00 or more you can receive this special tax credit. Visit our web site for more details.

Memorial and Honor Gifts are yet another way you can help. A contribution given in memory or in honor of someone is a sincere way of acknowledging that individual while helping children in need.

Leaving a Legacy is a bequest made through a will. This contribution is a way to give a gift without impacting your current financial situation. The donor is assured that they are still making a difference and impacting the lives of children after they are gone. This way of giving helps to ensure that our future of helping children is secure.

In-Kind Contributions are a way for you to contribute goods such as; clothing, household items, real or personal property, school supplies, and infant care items, just to name a few. In-kind contributions are needed and provide an additional way for us to help families in need. In-kind contributions help children and families with special assistance, such as food, clothing, household items, infant care items and school supplies.

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Janet Smith Vineyard was one of the best in her game. Because of her far-reaching skills and fierce determination she was respected and held in high regard by all. Jan had the ability to stand out, get the attention of others, gain the confidence of all, and win time after time. Her teammates then and now herald her as one of the greatest, one whose ultimate achievement was to positively impact the lives of West Virginia’s citizens.

Jan championed the cause of children by helping make the OM&GA Mother’s Day campaign the largest awareness campaign in the Society’s history. In every sense of the word Jan was “at bat” every day for children in need. She insisted we pay attention to the advice of Babe Ruth by never letting the fear of striking out keep us from playing the game. She reminded us often to always swing for the fences to help a child. She inspired and coached us to win. Whatever it took, no matter the day, nor the circumstances, Jan was ready to help West Virginia’s children.

Jan helped Children’s Home Society “win one for a child” time and time again. Because Jan Vineyard played with her whole heart, with enthusiasm and courageous loyalty, she made a difference in the world and especially in West Virginia. Jan’s work and support has benefited and will continue to benefit thousands of West Virginia’s children. As her field of dreams and legacy lives on, we will never forget.
The Children’s Home Society’s 2017 Little Red Stocking Campaign begins the day after Thanksgiving and ends on Christmas Eve. Each year businesses throughout the state sell the bright colored little red stocking to help West Virginia’s most vulnerable children. Each stocking cost only $1.00 and the money raised stays in that local community where the stocking is sold.

As we keep holiday traditions, family and gift giving in mind, we must not let the children in need be forgotten. Although the tradition of collecting pennies and putting them in socks is gone, the Children’s Home Society of West Virginia has bright red paper stockings that can be purchased throughout the state at convenience stores, grocery stores, restaurants, and other local community businesses.

Our single greatest hope for the Little Red Stocking Campaign is that it brings awareness to the needs of West Virginia’s children and that it encourages individuals to become; foster and adoptive parents as well as volunteers and mentors for children. Last year the Society’s Christmas Campaigns helped 4,118 children and families statewide.

Children’s Home Society is looking for new Little Red Stocking Partners. To become a Little Red Stocking Partner, please contact a location nearest you.

- Will Perkins
  Beckley - 304.255.0408
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Revenue and Support

Contributions 1,035,678
Private Grants 124,262
Government Support 14,325,028
Program Service Fees 9,000
Contract Revenue (Medicaid Fees) 5,983,194
Rental and Royalty Income 875
Investment Income 270,942
Gain/(Loss) from disposal of property 100
In-Kind Contributions 433,763
Miscellaneous 147,294
Total Revenue and Support 22,330,136

Expenses

Program Services:
Permanency 4,771,000
Shelter Services 10,430,310
Safe at Home 741,060
WECAN Volunteer Services 116,290
Right from the Start Services 151,261
Home-bases Services 322,702
Youth Services 335,157
Child Advocacy Center 206,479
Birth to Three Services 17,453
Exceptional Youth Emergency Shelter 818,847
Basic Center 88,886
Transitional Living 108,285
In-Home Family Education 295,108
Supporting Services:
Management and General 1,740,269
Fundraising 112,393
Total Expenses 20,255,500

Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenses 2,074,636

The accounts of the Children’s Home Society of West Virginia are audited annually. A full audited financial statement is available online at www.childhswv.org
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