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Read All About It

Breaking News
Message from the Board Chair and Chief Executive Officer

BREAKING NEWS: Children’s Home Society has sensational year!

As Chair of the Board of Directors, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you from the Board to every single employee, foster parent, volunteer and friend of the Children’s Home Society for their ever - continuing dedication and hard work during this past year. Like many times in the past, the agency has faced many challenges. Most notably this past year is our efforts to combat the effects of the opioid crisis on our children and families in West Virginia. However, we have risen to that challenge and continue to provide the best quality of care to our children and families. The efforts and success of the staff to increase our foster care program to serve the children during this crisis has been tremendous. Another shining example of these efforts this year was the opening of the much needed Janet Vineyard Forever Families Center for Permanency in Huntington. The good news is already circulating about the positive impact we are making in this community and all over the state. The compassion and perseverance of everyone across the state is what makes it possible for the agency to continue providing the highest quality of services to children and families in all of our communities. Stay tuned for further sensational news!

This edition of the Children’s Home News Annual Report is “Hot of the Press” and reflects the work and dedication of our staff, volunteers, contributors and supporters. This past year has been challenging in many ways as we worked to address issues that impacted West Virginia’s families. The breaking news, which we read about almost daily, is the continued problems surrounding our State’s opioid crisis. This crisis has brought the number of children coming into care to an all-time high. The Society’s diversity of locations statewide, our numerous family strengthening programs, and our embeddedness in our communities has allowed us to bring much needed support, care, and hope to those who need it most. Our resounding message of encouragement to our communities throughout this great state, remains as it has for the past 122 years, we are committed and champion the cause to make a difference in the lives of children and families.

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.

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.
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, Director 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 16,126 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.

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.

Be a part of the Children’s Home Society family by becoming:

• An Adoptive Parent
• A Foster Parent
• A Mentor
• A Volunteer
• A Contributor
• An Employee

by emailing childrenshomesociety@childhswv.org for more information.
Emergency Shelter Care

Child Welfare Leader Proclaims - No Better Place

The Society’s 10 emergency child shelters is the place where children can go during a crisis in their lives. A place where the children’s needs are priority. The child shelters are home like environments where children get direct care, attention and support. The Society is able to meet their medical, psychological and educational needs while looking for opportunities to bring stability and hope for a brighter future. Emergency child shelters are often the first place that children come to during a crisis and there is no better place for them during difficult times in their lives.

Last year 866 youth were cared for in the Society’s child shelters and the shelter staff provided them with 37,078 days of care.

“Shelters are the place where good things happen for children every single day.”

Michelle Vaughan
Director of Shelter Care Services

For more information about Children’s Home Society’s Shelter Care Programs, Call Michelle Vaughan at 304.345.3894

Homes Needed

The Society continues to sound the trumpet on the need for foster homes in West Virginia. Every day more and more children are coming into the foster care system, for various reasons, yet many are due to the opioid epidemic in our State. The Society cared for 643 children in our foster homes last year and our dedicated families provided 103,137 days of care. The Society celebrated with our families as we finalized 101 adoptions last year. Our foster families became forever families for 87 of those children adopted. All across the state families are needed for children, whether temporarily or for a lifetime. Sound the trumpets in your community and tell others that they too can make a difference in the lives of children.

To Learn More About The Children’s Home Society’s Permanency Programs. Contact Julia Kesler, Director Of Permanency Services

304.345.3894

Looking To Make A Difference In The Life Of A Child?

For more information about Foster Care and Adoption please contact your local CHS office. See locations section on page 14.

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The Society’s Resource Centers

The Word Is Out - We Are Here To Help

The Society’s Resource Centers play an important role in our efforts to help families in their own communities across the state. Our newest resource center is located in Huntington WV. The Nancy Stuart Tonkin Children’s Resource Room was dedicated on May 22nd during the grand opening of the Janet Smith Vineyard Forever Families Center for Permanency. During the 2017-2018 fiscal year our Resource Centers across the state assisted 8,018 individuals.

These children and their families were able to benefit from the in-kind support given to the Society by numerous businesses, individuals, churches and civic groups statewide. Our resource centers provide a variety of items to help meet emergent needs as well as helping out during times of financial hardships families so often experience.

We are thrilled that we were able to give out nearly 10,000 new books to children through partnerships with local books stores. Our early intervention programs have benefited by the generosity of numerous individuals who donated baby beds, infant supplies and clothing. Often times it is the smallest item or gift to a family in need that makes all the difference in their daily struggles. Our Resource Centers help stabilize and work to keep families together.

Our newest outreach is to kinship and grandparent families who are parenting again, with a relative child or grandchildren. This effort is yet another means of addressing the issues and problems due the state opioid epidemic. Please help us get the word out to those in need and also help us find new in-kind donors. It takes everyone doing a little to make a big difference.

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<td>Ray Skeens Resource Center</td>
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Giving Back To Your Community

How You Can Help

• 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 website 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.

Children’s Home Society’s - Donor Bill of Rights

• To be assured that gifts will be used for the purposes for which they are given.
• To receive appropriate acknowledgement and recognition.
• To expect that information about donations is handled with respect and confidentiality.
• To have access to the Society’s most recent financial statement.
• To be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees, or hired solicitors.
• To know that donors may have their names deleted from the Society’s mailing list if requested.

• To feel free to ask questions and to receive prompt and truthful answers to those questions.
• To be informed of the identity of those serving on the Society’s Board of Directors, and to expect the board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities.
• To be informed of the Society’s mission, our intended use of donated resources and our capacity to use donations effectively.

To Inquire About Helping The Children’s Home Society

304.346.0795
May 22, 2018 was an historical day for the Society. On this day the second oldest home in Huntington WV was dedicated and named the Janet Smith Vineyard Forever Families Center For Permanency, lovingly known as Jan’s House. Stories were told, as the crowd listened on, of this great woman all that she had done.

Jan Vineyard’s compassion for helping those less fortunate was shared by all who spoke, they defined her as a fierce advocate, a dedicated soul and a woman of grace.

This home will stand for the decades to come so that her inspiration and legacy shall live on. Jan’s House will be the place where homeless children find their forever family, a place for families in crisis to come for support and a place in the community that will be known as the house where hope abides. Never ending and never fading her work shall continue on.
On May 29th, the Society announced the establishment of the Nancy Stuart Tonkin Advocacy Award. The Society’s Board of Directors established this award to annually honor outstanding individuals who through leadership, determination, and passion positively advanced the well-being of children and families in West Virginia. The recipient of this award will exemplify the qualities Nancy Tonkin demonstrated in her life-long professional and personal efforts as an advocate for the well-being of children in West Virginia.

Nancy Stuart Tonkin exemplified advocacy in her work with Children’s Home Society and others. Nancy was successful in all her roles at Children’s Home Society. She was an employee and used research to improve casework protocols. She was a Board Member, Board Chairperson, and Board Member Emeritus. Nancy was an effective recruiter of board members, supporters and volunteers. She was tireless in communicating the mission of CHS to the community and interpreting the community’s reaction. Nancy Chaired the Board of Directors during the 100-anniversary year. Nancy was responsible for linking Children’s Home Society with OMEGA and other organizations which resulted in millions of dollars of support for programs. Nancy lobbied for Children’s Home Society and other child welfare agencies and was successful in improving foster care payments allowing the Society to significantly expand their foster care program. She was trusted and effective advisor to the Children’s Home Society in all public policy matters. She was a strong advocate for permanency, child well-being and family support services.
Statewide Effort

West Virginia Christmas

Each year the Society reaches far into every community to the homes where children need toys, clothing and presents for Christmas. It is a tremendous effort that brings the best of the holidays to our staff, our volunteers and our donors. The weeks leading up to Christmas are filled with energy and excitement. Our supporters bring in donations so that there is something for every boy and girl, household items for families, and food for the holidays. We are thrilled that holiday joy was brought to 4,015 last year. The spirit of caring, holiday giving, and those unforgettable smiles on the faces of children, makes every effort, the long hours, and weekends of work, so very, very worth it.

- Will Perkins
  Beckley - 304.255.0408

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  Huntington - 681.378.2530

- Shelley Plauche-Adkins
  Parkersburg - 304.485.0650

- Joanne Boileau
  Princeton - 304.431.2424

- Sally Johnson
  Romney - 304.822.4652

- Laura Arbaugh
  Summersville - 304.872.8190

- Stephanie Strope
  Wheeling - 304.233.9627 ext. 101
# Financials

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](http://www.childhswv.org).

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

### Revenue and Support

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<td>In-Kind Contributions</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous</td>
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**Total Revenue and Support - 25,198,765**

### Program Services

#### Expenses

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<td>Birth to Three Services</td>
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**Total Expenses - 22,853,116**

#### Supporting Services:

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**Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenses - 2,345,649**

*Excess Revenue consist of the Davis Fund and Program Reserve Funds.*

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

### Assets & Liabilities

#### Assets

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**Total Assets - 15,802,605**

#### Liabilities and Net Assets

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<td>Net Assets</td>
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**Total Liabilities and Net Assets - 15,802,605**
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