

My brother, Sam, and I have moved more times that I can count. My mom had a lot of problems, which is why we don't live with her anymore. Me and Sam lived with our grandma, but I don't think she liked us. She was always angry and said mean things to us. Everything we did was a problem. I was scared to come home because she would yell at me for no reason. Our CASA knew it was a bad place, so she got us to live with our aunt. Even though she was family, it didn't feel like home either. I felt lost and out of place, so I ran away. I wasn't thinking. It was just all too much for me. I got scared and called my CASA. She made sure I got home safely. She's the only one I can count on. Because I ran off, they placed me in a foster home, which is really far from my CASA. But we talk every week and she visits me every other week. She is the person I feel most comfortable talking to and being around. I am so happy to know that she is always there when I need her.

DAMIEN, 14 YEARS OLD



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2017  
IMPACT  
REPORT

Dear Friends and Supporters:

THANK YOU! Because of YOU, CASA served 100 more children in 2017 than in 2016. Last year, 563 children knew what it felt like to have support from at least one caring, consistent adult. For some, it was the first time they ever had someone they could trust! 2017 also marked the beginning of our Life Skills Academy—a program dedicated to giving teens the tools and skills they need to be an adult. The pilot results showed a 500% increase in participants' financial literacy, 111% increase in participants' job readiness, and 12.5% increase in participants' comprehension of healthy relationships. The hard work of volunteers, Board, staff, and people like YOU are giving CASA the opportunity to serve more children than ever. We hope to count on your support in 2018!

*William J. Myers*  
PRESIDENT/CEO





My brother, sister, mom and I slept in one bed. We lived in a small house with no space. It wasn't just us. My aunt, uncle and grandparents lived with us too. I couldn't focus on my school work because there was so much noise and people all the time. When my CASA, Chris, saw how hard it was for all of us, he helped my mom find a new place. Chris even found a way to get us furniture for the living room and bedrooms. We have our own rooms and beds! My little brother is different than most kids. Chris says he is special and just needs lots of love and attention. He signed him up for a cool place called Kid's Club. It is a fun place where he can be taken care of and learn new things. My family didn't have any of these things before Chris came. I'm happy my CASA has helped us find a home and a fun place for my little brother.

JAY, 12 YEARS OLD

## program stats



# KIDS PAIRED WITH A CASA



# VOLUNTEERS



CHILDREN WITH  
A CASA SPEND  
8 MONTHS  
LESS IN OUT OF HOME CARE



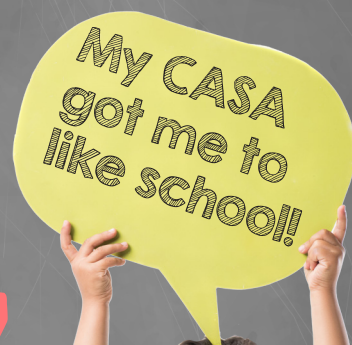
NEW VOLUNTEERS TOOK ON A CASA



NEW CHILDREN SERVED



VOLUNTEER  
HOURS



## financials

### REVENUE

GRANTS & CONTRIBUTIONS.....	\$856,192
INVESTMENT INCOME.....	\$1,533
SPECIAL EVENTS (NET).....	\$151,827
OTHER INCOME.....	\$1,000
TOTAL.....	\$1,010,552

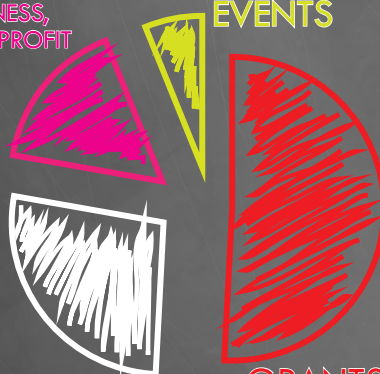
### EXPENSES

PROGRAM SERVICES.....	\$600,907
GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE.....	\$43,210
FUNDRAISING.....	\$114,707
TOTAL.....	\$758,824

## INCOME

FOUNDATION,  
GOVERNMENT,  
BUSINESS,  
NONPROFIT

### EVENTS



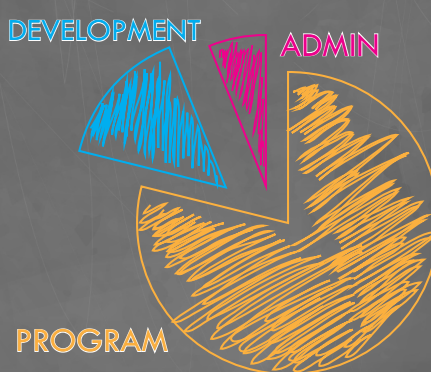
INDIVIDUALS

GRANTS

## EXPENSE

### DEVELOPMENT

### ADMIN



PROGRAM

I miss my sisters. We don't live together anymore because they couldn't find one place that would take four girls. It's really hard to be without them. I'm the smallest and they always took care of me. But, when we were taken away, they told us we had a CASA. I'm glad we can all talk to Jane even if we're apart. One day, Jane got us all together! All 3 of my sisters and our foster parents met at a really big park! We got to play and have a picnic together. For a day we got to feel like a family again. I am so happy we have Jane because she brings us all together.

ALLY, 8 YEARS OLD



I didn't like school because it was hard for me. Everything moved too fast and I couldn't understand anything going in my classes. I was scared to ask for help because I didn't want people to make fun of me. So, I stopped going to school. But, that got my mom in trouble and I was taken away from her. I got a CASA who told me she could find a way to make school better for me. She worked with my mom and the school to get me the help I needed. They wrote up a plan so my teachers knew what was going on and how they could help me too. I've been going to school again. I'm actually learning something. If I keep doing good, I'll be back home. I couldn't have done all this without my CASA.

KEN, 10 YEARS OLD