

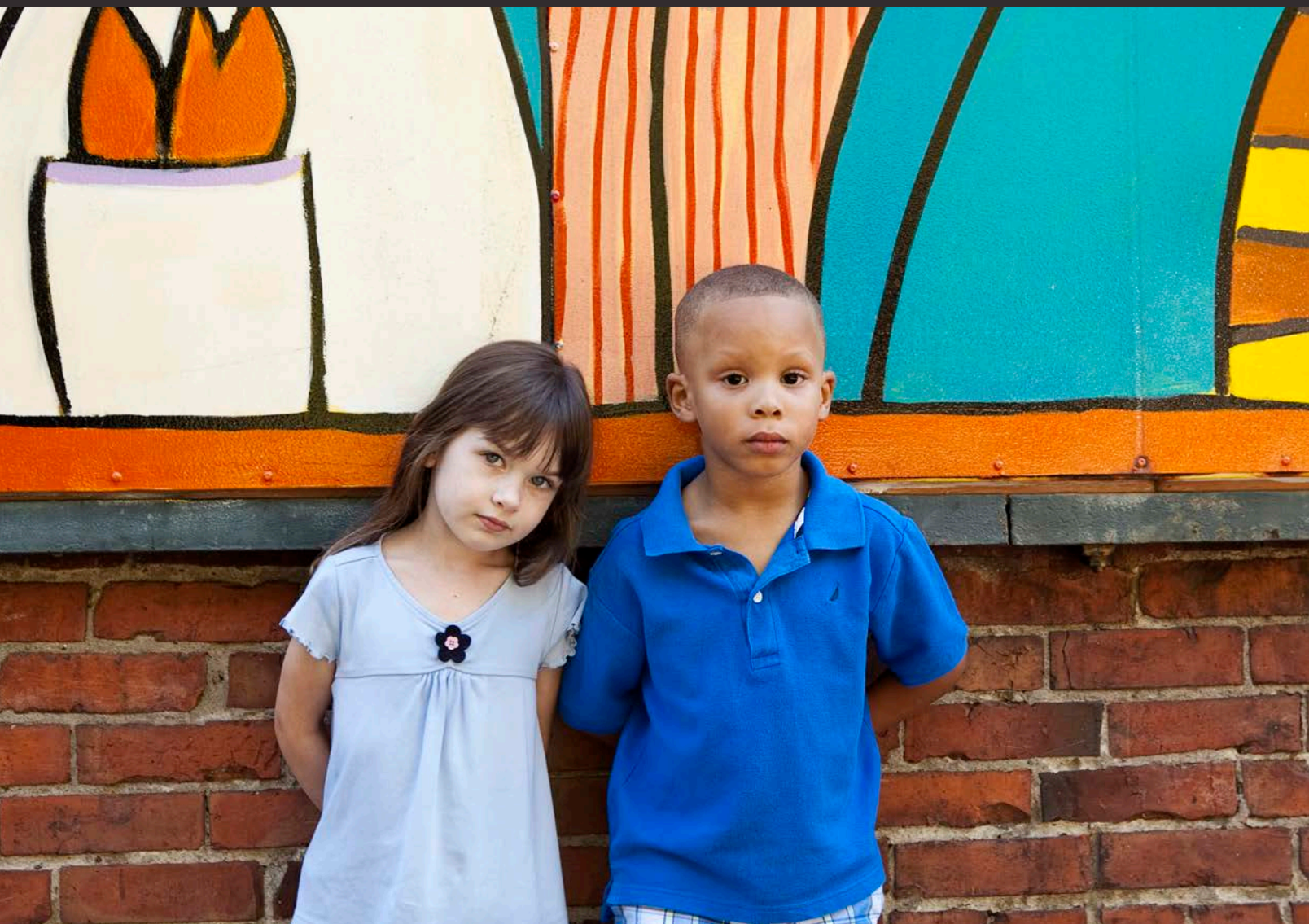


CHILD ADVOCATES
EL DORADO COUNTY

CASA EL DORADO ANNUAL REPORT

2014

Take a Stand; Make a Difference;
Change a Child's Life... Forever





CASA El Dorado Mission

A passionate and powerful voice - CASA El Dorado's trained and court appointed volunteers advocate on behalf of abused children and at-risk youth. Together with our communities involvement and generous support, we will positively impact the lives of our children.

Letter from our Executive Director



As another fiscal year closes, we have much to be grateful for. Once again over 125 dedicated CASA volunteers provided quality advocacy for over 300 children throughout El Dorado County. This represents over \$500,000 in their donated time. It also represents well over a million dollars in savings to the community, by cutting in half the number of children who will reenter the child welfare system because they had the caring assistance of a CASA Advocate.

Children who suffer abuse and neglect and end up in the child welfare system, historically produce 70% of the state prison population and 80% of these children meet the diagnostic criteria for at least one significant mental health issue. The range of societal issues that child abuse and neglect produce are both costly and incredibly difficult to solve later in life.

However, together we are making a significant difference for these children and their families, right here and right now in El Dorado County. Children who have a CASA Advocate will receive more services, do better in school, spend significantly less time in foster care and have better long term outcomes.

Despite our documented success and the value we bring to the community through the efforts of our volunteers supported by our dedicated staff, we have never been able to serve all the children that the court has assigned to us in a given year. We lack the sufficient volunteers and financial resources to serve all the children we are assigned by the Juvenile Judges each year.

Please consider not only helping us yourself, but help us by telling our story and inspiring others to join this most noble of causes. We cannot do this work without you, but with you we can help our community become much healthier, safer and productive, one child at a time.

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CASA El Dorado Board of Directors

The volunteer Board of Directors meets 9 times per year, and each member works regularly on a board committee. Board of Directors members ensure that the CASA mission is fulfilled, participate in the development of long-range plans, set and approve policies and financial management, assume primary responsibility for fundraising projects, and personally participate in and contribute to CASA events and projects.

As current Board President Tom Makris recently reflected, "Serving on the board for CASA is both an honor and a privilege. CASA ultimately provides a critical role that some might argue is a void in government services. We prefer to look at it as a community organization stepping in and providing a service in a very effective and efficient manner, in partnership with a variety of government and private agencies. It truly does take a village to support these kids during their journey in the child welfare system and help them find permanent placements that provide a caring and stable home."

Board terms are three years, with the possibility of an additional three year term. If you or someone you know is interested in board membership please contact the Executive Director for more information.



“Our shared vision is to ensure that every child in El Dorado County has the opportunity to grow up in a safe and permanent home”

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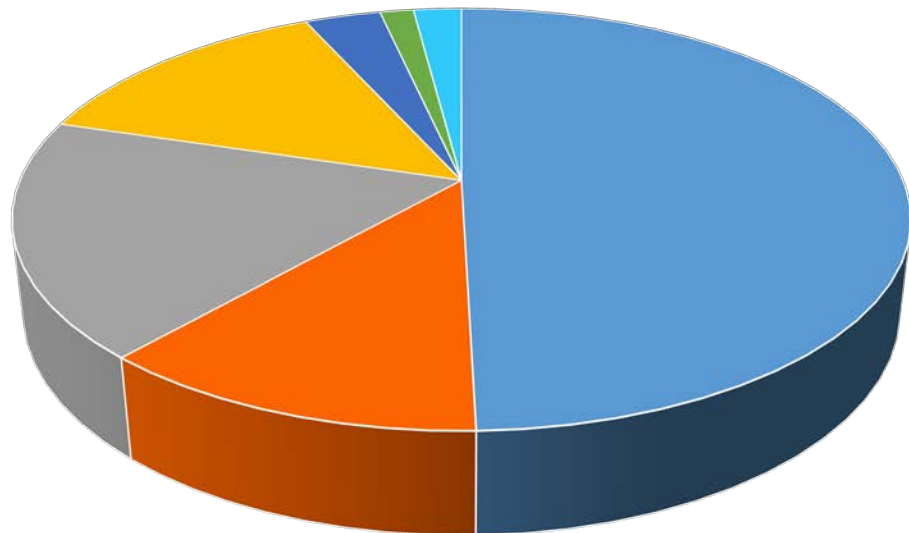
REVENUE

Grants & contributions	\$257,836
Government Contracts	\$62,210
Special Events (less direct cost of \$40,883)	\$94,516
In-kind contributions	\$70,440
Investment Income	\$16,953
Rental Income	\$7,500
Net assets released from restrictions	\$10,724
Total Public Support	\$520,179

EXPENSES

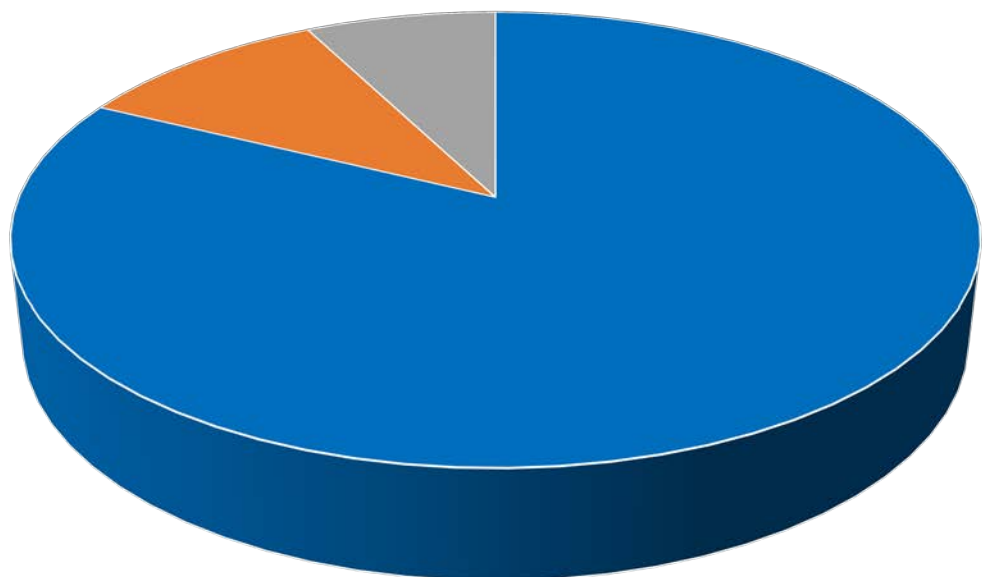
Programs	\$459,342
Fundraising	\$56,530
G&A	\$42,329
Total Expenses	\$558,201

Revenue Fiscal Year 2013/2014



- Grants & contributions
- Government Contracts
- Special Events less direct cost of 40,883
- In-kind contributions
- Investment Income
- Rental Income
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Expenses Fiscal Year 2013/2014



- Programs
- Fundraising
- G&A

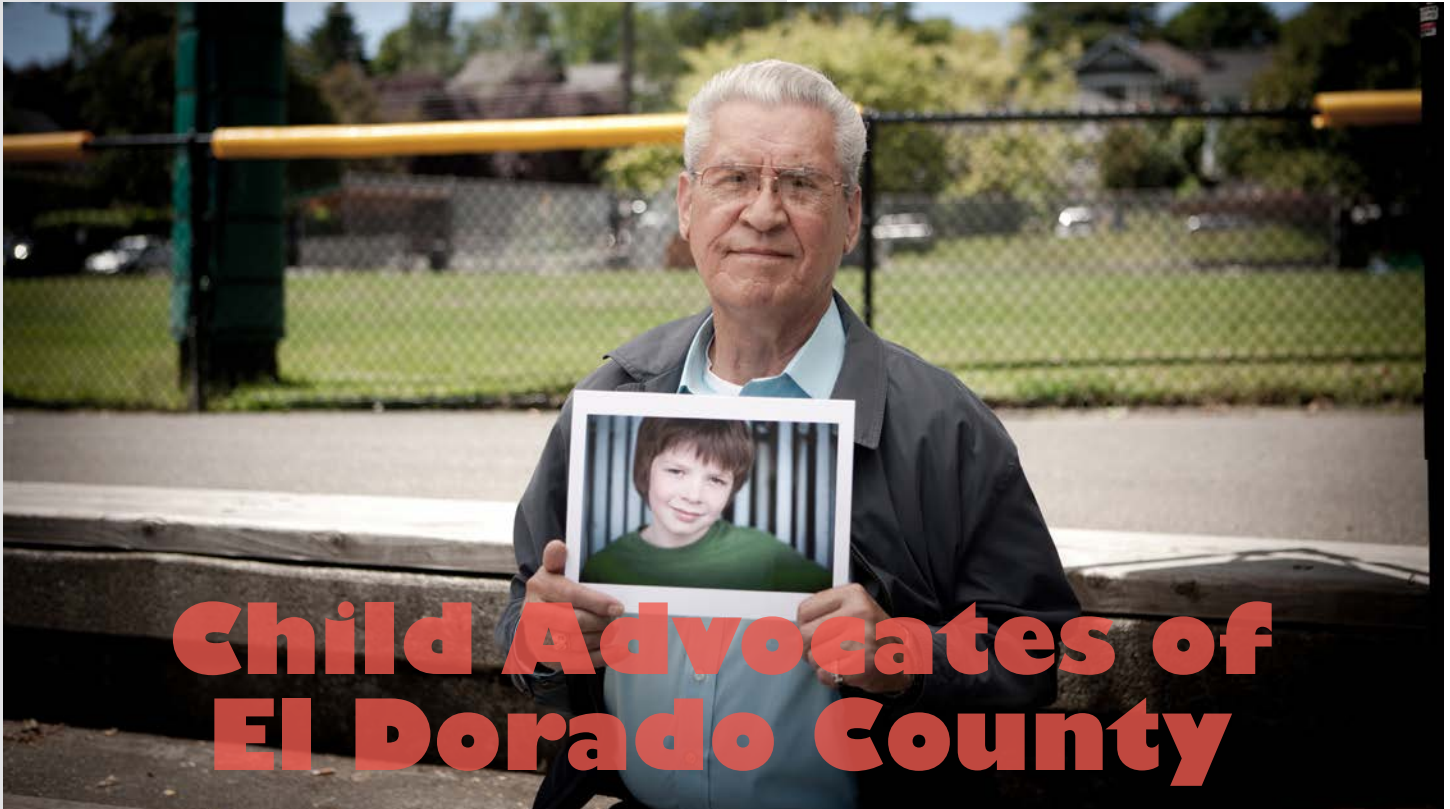
Role of CASA Advocates

- Support the child throughout proceedings until placement
- Establish relationship with the child through regular visitation
- Communicate the child's needs in writing & in court
- Conduct independent investigations
- Ensure the courts orders are being carried out
- Appear at all court proceedings
- Review records & reports

Foster Youth: Outcomes

- 50% become homeless within 18 months of emancipation
- Only one in 10 attend college
- 70% of CA prison population from foster care
- 80% have significant mental health issues
- 65% of victims of sex trafficking (below 21)
- One third of abused children become abusers





Child Advocates of El Dorado County

CASA's caseload - typically one case per advocate

Focused & sustained attention

Consistent element in child's life

Better outcomes

More targeted services for child & family

Half as many in "long term foster care"

50% less likely to reenter foster system

California Median Averages

166 children/program

\$2,400 per child/year

El Dorado County

350 children

\$1,400 per child/year



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Casablanca



Box Lunch



In The Courtroom



Graduation Day





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