



ANNUAL REPORT 2016

2016 AT A GLANCE

Strengthening families to create a healthy community

Our Goals

-  We work together in partnership with our children, referral sources, parents, foster parents, and other community providers to promote positive change in the lives of children and families.
-  Whenever possible, we will seek to keep the child in the home of his/her biological family while working toward overall improvement within the family system.
-  When it is necessary to remove a child from the parent's home, we will attempt to keep the child in the family's geographical area to facilitate contact and seek reunification as quickly as therapeutically possible.
-  We will strive to keep admission to our programs easy, uncomplicated and at a reasonable cost.
-  We will continue to assess the changing needs of the community and expand our programming as necessary.
-  Finally, we will remain aware of the profound effect removal from the family can have on a child and let this awareness influence our actions on behalf of the child.

Dylan's Story

Dylan was placed in foster care at the home of Audrey Moore just before he turned 5 years old. Dylan had been diagnosed with Autism and when he first came to Audrey's home he was not toilet trained, and only spoke 3-4 words. Audrey was very patient with Dylan and put her mind toward ensuring his success. Audrey, a seasoned foster parent, used her knowledge of available resources and advocated for Dylan to receive as many services as possible. Now, at 9 years old, he talks nonstop, is toilet trained, and excels in school. He knows all of the planets in the solar system, love trains, swimming, riding his bike and emergency vehicles. Any chance they get, they stop and talk to firefighters and police officers, many who are familiar with him and call him by name. He still visits with his biological grandmother every weekend. Dylan spent over 3 years in foster care and was adopted by Audrey Moore on April 22, 2016.



Family Ark History

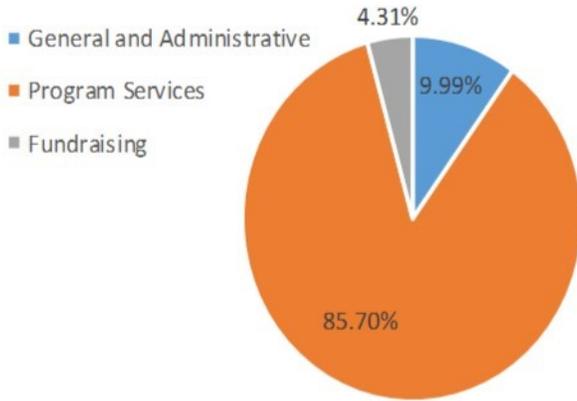
In 1971, local visionaries saw the need for preventative treatment for troubled youth who were involved in the juvenile justice system and identified the need for keeping youth close to their communities with programs designed as alternatives to incarceration. This led to the development of the Clark-Floyd Youth Opportunity Center which later became Regional Youth Services, incorporated in 1973. In 2009, Regional Youth Services, Inc. began management of Noah's Ark Children's Village in Jeffersonville, Indiana and after acquiring the facility in 2012, consolidated all offices to the 83-acre campus. Family Ark, the new name for both agencies, is the culmination of more than 40 years of giving hope to children and families.

Our Mission—Family Ark provides quality human service programs which promote positive change in the lives of children and families in the communities we serve.

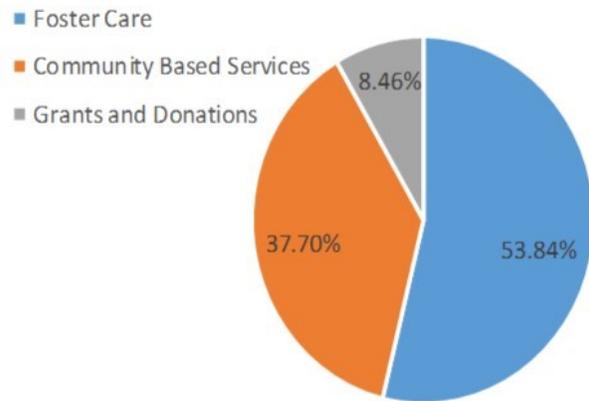
Our 2016—990 is available online at <http://thefamilyark.org/wp-content/uploads/2016032016-990-pdf/>

2106 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Operating Expenses



Revenue Sources



State Senator Ron Groomes accepts the 2016 Champion for Families Award from CEO

Train Cookies help to celebrate the adoption of one of our Foster Children into his forever home!



Saying 'thanks' at our Foster Parent Appreciation Event

Christmas was extra special for our children with help from community partners like—Child's Spirit, Manheim Louisville and Assured Partners LLC



A full listing of our 2016 donations can be found on our website thefamilyark.org under the *About Us/Annual Report* tab

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