Every child needs and deserves a family.
Message from our President and CEO

All children deserve a loving family, a safe home, and a sense of stability and belonging. Without this basic foundation, our children begin to lose hope about their future. With over 3,000 children in foster care in the Sacramento region, Sierra Forever Families recognizes the incredible need in our community and we diligently work to make sure that no child has to grow up in temporary care. **We are dedicated to transforming the lives of children in foster care by building and nurturing permanent families.**

We at Sierra are excited to share our successes from this past year! **With your help,** we have made great strides in creating a brighter future for our local youth in foster care. More than 670 children and youth received permanency services, including: **family preservation, therapeutic support services, adoption and mentoring.** Additionally, more families are answering the call to action by opening their hearts and homes to a waiting child. Finally, we are making a positive impact by partnering with Sacramento County to address the disproportionality of African American youth in the foster care system.

**Please join us in celebrating all that we have been able to accomplish together.** Simultaneously, we must look forward. We need your continued support and partnership in ensuring that this year we can achieve even more. It is our honor to advocate and work for our local children in foster care. Help us give HOPE to our youth that they will grow up in the loving forever family and the safe home that they deserve.

Financial Highlights - Revenue and Expenses

**Revenue:** $5,762,529

- Contributions and Events: 10.6%
- Government/ Contracts: 84.1%
- Program Fees: 0.1%
- Miscellaneous: 5.3%

**Expenses:** $5,534,047

- Administration: 11%
- Program: 84.8%
- Fund Development: 4.2%
**Impact**

**677 Children Served**

**Permanency Placement Unit**

Our Permanency Placement Unit recruits, trains, and supports families who want to transform the lives of children in foster care by providing love, safety and unconditional commitment.

- 138 children were adopted this past year
- 133 other children were placed with forever families and were on the path to finalization

**Destination Family**

No child is “unadoptable.” Our program goal is to achieve legal permanency for youth in foster care who have one or more barriers to adoption, including those who may be medically fragile, ethnically diverse, teenagers or part of a sibling set that should not be separated.

- 125 children were adopted or were on the path to achieving a forever family

**Therapeutic Support Services**

Trained therapists provide individual, family and group therapy, including comprehensive mental health services, with the goal of nurturing and strengthening families.

- 137 children received support services

**Family Preservation**

Family Preservation uses a strength-based, multi-disciplinary approach including case management, mental health services and parent education to prevent at-risk children from entering the foster care system.

- 65 children benefitted from these services in Nevada County

**Wonder Mentoring Program**

The Wonder Mentoring Program ensures that no child has to go through foster care alone by matching children one-to-one with caring, consistent adults for a year-long journey in the arts, music, sports and nature.

- 86 children were part of our Wonder program last year
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