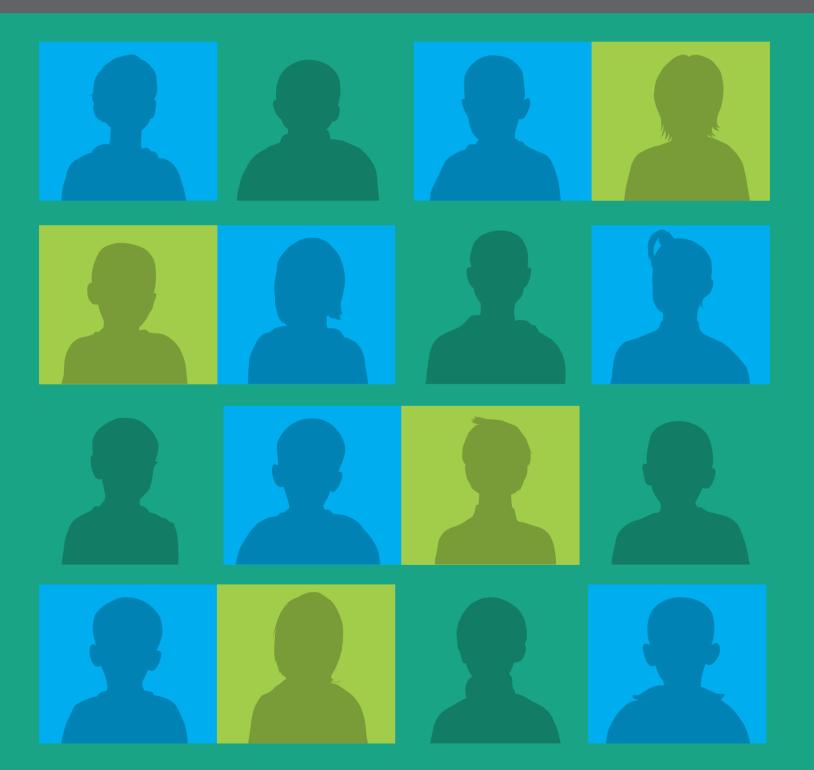
GROWING HOME ANNUAL REPORT





Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON

Dear Friends of Growing Home,

Every Tuesday, Growing Home holds our staff meeting. After we chit chat over snacks, we all share our "Growing Home stories." Our staff is always delighted to tell and hear stories about the amazing kid that has overcome a speech delay, or the working mom who finally earned her degree. It feels like we are bragging about our own family. And it feels good to know all the ways, big and small, that our programming is making a real difference in the lives of people in our community—people we care about deeply.

And more families need help than you may think. The most recent Kids Count! report by the Colorado Children's Campaign said that over 29,000 kids in Adams County are living in poverty. That means that over 29,000 kids are at high risk of serious school, health, and social problems. That also means that their parents are at risk of the same. And it means that, without comprehensive interventions supporting both generations, the cycle of poverty will continue for most of them.

Growing Home is helping children and their parents in so many ways. Our children's programs, including our award-winning Parents as Teachers home visit program, Incredible Years parenting classes, and the Sprouts program after school at Westminster Elementary, gave hundreds of kids and parents the tools they need to succeed in class and beyond. Our Feeding Families Food Pantry served thousands of families, many multiple times. And our Interfaith Family Shelter gave over 30 families shelter, along with the tools and support they need to move out of the crisis of homelessness.

We are proud to have served over 6,000 families in 2012. But with 29,000 kids in need in Adams County, we are eager to help even more. While serving so many families in 2012, we also laid the groundwork for smart, strategic growth. Thanks to investments by community partners including the Denver Foundation, the Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation, the Helen K. and Arthur E. Johnson Foundation, Rose Community Foundation, and the Anschutz Family Foundation, we were able to build capacity, refine programming, and lay the groundwork for continued long-term impact on families.

Thank you for your support in 2012. Together we will help even more families reach the brighter future they dream of.

Teva Sienicki, MA
President & CEO

James Larkin, MBA
Chair, Board of Directors



Growing Home

meets families where they are, providing both emergency, safety-net services and preventative support to families, to help end the cycle of poverty long-term for more individuals in our shared community.

OUR MISSION:

TO GUIDE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES ON THE PATH TO A BRIGHTER FUTURE.

OUR VISION:

WE ENVISION THE COMMUNITY WORKING TOGETHER SO THAT ALL CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE A PLACE TO CALL HOME, FOOD ON THE TABLE, AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE THEIR DREAMS.

THE GROW CODE

Our Mission is to guide children and their families on the path to a brighter future. This mission lies at the heart of all we do.

- 1. We Respect and care for those we serve and for one another. We welcome diverse perspectives and backgrounds.
- 2. We focus on Effectiveness. We expect results, evaluate what we do, and rely on the resulting data and outcomes for decision making. We do what works and do it well.
- 3. We create space for Learning. We always strive for our best and expect the best from those with whom we work. Along the way, we honor mistakes and imperfection as opportunities for growth.
- 4. We encourage shared responsibility through Collaborative Leadership. We nurture community ownership of our mission and we work to foster confidence in everyone we touch. We want to share the tools for success.

- 5. We operate with Professionalism. We demonstrate excellence, accountability, resourcefulness, customer service and competence.
- 6. We cultivate Inclusiveness in all we do. We take the time to listen, and to welcome and value the richness of diverse community. We commit to working through the tensions that arise in the midst of genuine community.



HOUSING THE HOMELESS

In 2012, the Interfaith Family Shelter provided two months of emergency shelter to 28 families (91 individuals). Of those sheltered, 63% were children, up from 56% last year. The far majority of those families, a staggering 87%, secured or maintained a source of income. This is a significant increase from the 65% that were able to maintain a source of income in 2011.

21 of the 28 families left the shelter for a housing opportunity and Growing Home kept 30 families in their homes by providing immediate financial assistance

Growing Home also helped 5 families reach higher earning potential through our Transformational Housing program. Parents who enrolled in school full-time received housing support as they worked toward achieving their dreams.

Additionally, more than 3,000 families called the crisis hotline. Volunteers and staff provided the emergency resources and referrals they needed.

28

NUMBER OF FAMILIES PROVIDED WITH TWO MONTHS OF EMERGENCY SHELTER.

63%

OF THESE FAMILIES THAT WERE CHILDREN.

5

NUMBER OF FAMILIES SERVED BY OUR TRANSFORMATIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM.

73%

FAMILIES EXITING INTO HOUSING AFTER LEAVING THE SHELTER PROGRAM.

87%

FAMILIES WHO GAINED OR MAINTAINED A SOURCE OF INCOME AFTER LEAVING THE SHELTER PROGRAM.

65%

FAMILIES WHO GAINED OR MAINTAINED EMPLOYMENT AFTER LEAVING THE SHELTER PROGRAM.

190%

INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CALLS TO OUR CRISIS HOTLINE.





FACT:

91

OUR INTERFAITH FAMILY SHELTER HOUSED 91 INDIVIDUALS / 28 FAMILIES FOR 2 MONTHS.

75%

75% OF FAMILIES LEFT THE
SHELTER PROGRAM FOR A HOUSING
OPPORTUNITY.

57

WE PREVENTED HOMELESSNESS FOR 57 CHILDREN.

30

GROWING HOME GAVE 30 FAMILIES FINANCIAL HELP TO KEEP THEIR HOMES.

58%

58% OF FAMILIES WERE STABLY
HOUSED 3 MONTHS AFTER RECEIVING
CASE MANAGEMENT AND FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE.

FIVE FAMILIES LIVED IN OUR
AFFORDABLE HOUSING AS THEY
WENT BACK TO SCHOOL TO ACHIEVE
THEIR DREAMS.



2,416

FAMILIES RECEIVED
DIAPERS AND /OR
PERSONAL CARE ITEMS.

5,614
FAMILIES RECEIVED a

3-DAY SUPPLY OF FOOD.

7

NUMBER OF DAYS A WEEK
VOLUNTEERS STAFFED
THE FOOD PANTRY.



FEEDING FAMILIES LIKE THE GARCIAS*

Growing Home helped more moms and dads put food on the table in 2012 than ever before. For moms like Stephanie Garcia*, it really made the difference. Stephanie explains, "At the end of the month, there's not a lot. We are so grateful for the food." Her son, Joey, aged 3, even screeched with excitement when he saw a bunch of bananas in the shopping bag. Thanks to our community partners and volunteers, Growing Home provided Stephanie, her husband, and her four adorable kids with enough food for three days. We are happy to provide families like the Garcias with fresh, healthy food they can proudly feed their own families.









HELPING CHILDREN SUCCEED

In 2012, Growing Home trained 170 parents through their Parents as Teachers (PAT) program, supporting 218 babies. Growing Home won the prestigious national LOSOS Prize for Excellence in 2012 for this program, which gives home-based education and support focused on prenatal to age three. Certified parent-educators teach child development, giving parents tools for their children's best social, emotional, physical and intellectual start. This evidence-based, national program has been shown to support school readiness, promote higher graduation rates, reduce delinquency, and prevent child abuse and neglect.

Growing Home also fosters strong parenting skills through a 12-week class that utilizes the nationally recognized Incredible Years curriculum for families with children ages 3-8 years.

The Sprouts After-School program partners with Westminster Elementary to provide intensive early intervention for at-risk children. In 2012, Sprouts tutored 25 at-risk children, to bring them up to grade level academically as well as socially and emotionally.

(Do we include info. about school supply drive? If so, use this) X students received free school supplies through a volunteer-led School Supply Drive.

PARENTS AS TEACHERS

218

BABIES RECEIVED EARLY SKILLS TO GET THEM READY FOR SCHOOL AND LIFE. ALL

FAMILIES RECEIVED MONTHLY HOME VISITS AND EDUCATION AROUND CHILD DEVELOPMENT, PARENTING TECHNIQUES, AND HOW TO GIVE THEIR BABY THE BEST START IN LIFE.

25

STUDENTS ENROLLED IN SPROUTS.

170

PARENTS PARTICIPATED IN LIFE SKILLS CLASSES.

3

HOURS OF INTENSIVE EARLY STUDENTS RECEIVED INTERVENTIONS AFTER SCHOOL. ALL

SPROUTS STUDENTS FROM WESTMINSTER ELEMENTARY FOCUSED ON MATH, READING, AND SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING.



FACT:

100%

100% OF SHELTER FAMILIES RECEIVED PARENTING TOOLS THROUGH THE INCREDIBLE YEARS CURRICULUM.

1,400

OVER 1,400 VOLUNTEERS GAVE US
THEIR TIME, ENERGY AND EXPERTISE
TO HELP US SERVE EVEN MORE
FAMILIES.

6,000

IN 2012, WE SERVED OVER 6,000 FAMILIES AND OVER 20,000 INDIVIDUALS PROGRAM-WIDE.

3.000

VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF PROVIDED

OVER 3,000 FAMILIES WITH RESOURCES

AND REFERRALS THROUGH ITS CRISIS

HOTLINE.

50

THE BUILDING HOMES SOCIETY
REACHED 50 MEMBERS AND INVESTED
IN GROWING HOME'S FUTURE.



OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Growing Home's Parents as Teachers program was awarded the Losos Prize for Excellence by the national PAT organization - an award given to only three out of over 2,000 PAT programs worldwide. Growing Home set itself apart by opening up the program to the whole community and by providing a wide variety of other support services.

The Colorado Parent Child Foundation, the state agency supporting PAT programs, rated Growing Home's PAT program "outstanding," its highest rating.

In 2012, we improved our food pantry by adding updated nutrition standards and by increasing the number of corporate partners to add more food and more options for families.

We added a new case manager with a Master's in Education to support families in our housing program. She teaches life skills classes once a week. We implemented the evidence-based PEACH curriculum for homeless children, an innovative curriculum that teaches young children about good nutrition, physical activity, and how to deal with the stress of being homeless.



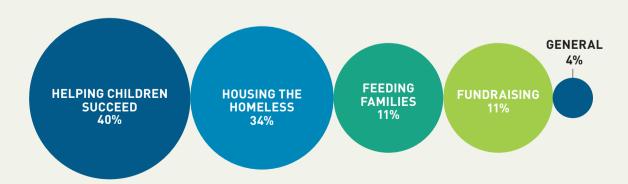
our FUNDING





FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

ΤΟΤΔΙ	\$1 122 770	100%
Helping Children Succeed	\$449,389	40%
Feeding Families	\$122,909	11%
Housing the Homeless	\$380,397	34%
General and Administrative	\$46,368	4%
Fundraising	\$123,707	11%



Sources of Income 2012

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

Sustainable Members \$10.000+ per year

James & Mary Ann Braun Mildred "Millie" DeSmet Brian & Colleen Smith

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