Susie’s Success Story

Susie is a 15-year-old female who entered into our homeless youth shelter three times this year. Her mother was abusive and refused family counseling or any other help. Susie was abandoned by her mother and left on her own. Like most of our youth, Susie had little faith in adults and as a result, she kept returning to the streets. Given time and encouragement, we were able to build her trust; her mental health improved; she re-engaged in school and successfully transitioned into safe long-term housing. Susie no longer lives on the streets.

In the 2016 Point in Time Count, the number of unsheltered homeless youth in our County rose by almost 70% contributing to a counted total of 830. This number is very conservative as it is difficult to count the actual number of youth who are homeless. With the focus of local resources being on chronic adult and veteran homelessness and with little to no funding coming from the State and Federal governments for these youth, homeless youth have been left behind. However, we continue to find solutions for San Diego’s homeless and other at-risk youth.

We’re working to...
End Homelessness
Prevent Delinquency and School Failure
Break the Cycle of Child Abuse and Neglect
Promote Mental Health and Addiction Recovery

Corporate Year-round Sponsors

SDYS thanks our corporate year-round sponsors for years of support and generosity as we build futures for at-risk youth.

Qualcomm Foundation
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2015-2016 Program Outcomes

• 1,465 children and 1,462 parents were served through the Adoptions Program
• 92% of youth in Breaking Cycles did not have new criminal activity while in the program
• 89.74% (35 of 39) of Foster Parents were retained
• 1,281 youth served through the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program
• 1,260 individuals received training on human trafficking
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Message from CEO

In 1970, San Diego Youth Services (SDYS) was founded as the first shelter in San Diego for runaway and homeless youth. Despite heroic efforts by many in our community and the continuum of services we have developed here at SDYS, the numbers of homeless youth continue to rise.

All of these efforts were supported by many folks in our community and we are grateful. Together we can end homelessness in San Diego and give other at-risk youth an opportunity to become self-sufficient and succeed in life.

- Walter Philips

Our Mission is to help at-risk youth and their families become self-sufficient and reach their highest potential.

Our Locations:
• Breaking Cycles
• Counseling Cove
• East County Behavioral Health Clinic
• Golden Hill Youth Center
• Mid-City Youth Center
• Point Loma Campus
• SDYS Transitional Living Communities
• SDYS Youth Services
• Spring Valley and East Communities Center
• Youth Emergency Shelter
SDYS 10th annual signature event, Creations in Chocolate held March 10, 2016, featured magnificent chocolate creations designed by San Diego’s finest Pastry Chefs and Chocolatiers. Our sponsors, partners and friends enjoyed an evening of jazz, champagne and delectable, decadent desserts. SDYS was honored to have Mel Keffezighi, American Marathon Champion, as our Special Guest and Dan Cohen, Morning Anchor for KFMB-TV, as our Master of Ceremonies. The event brought compliments and success as we raised over $90,000 for youth!

Company Overview

Statement of Financial Position

- Assets:
  - Cash and cash equivalents: $3,069,881
  - Investments: $67,419
  - Receivables: 1,544,052
  - Land, Building & Equipment: 481,364
  - Prepaid Expenses & Other Assets: 35,343
  - Endowment Assets: 91,734
  - Beneficial interest in SD Foundation: 96,455
  - Total Assets: 15,676,689

- Liabilities and Net Assets:
  - Accounts Payable & Accrued: 1,957,803
  - Notes Payable: 21,311
  - Deferred Revenue: 21,311
  - Line of Credit: 91,734
  - Accrued Interest: 797,331
  - Total Liabilities: 797,331
  - Net Assets: 7,454,125

Statement of Activities

- Revenue:
  - Total Support & Revenue: $15,044,489
  - Expenses & Losses: 4,988
  - Change in Net Assets: 4,988

- Expenses & Losses:
  - Program Services: 12,707,643
  - General & Administrative: 1,544,052
  - Fundraising: 35,343
  - Total Expenses: 14,768,402

- Change in Net Assets:
  - Beginning of Year: 14,768,402
  - End of Year: 12,707,643

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