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Bethany

for Children & Families

Impact Report & Annual Appeal

JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

**Keeping *children* safe,
families,
building healthy *communities***



One. That's all caseworker Alair was looking for. One full- or queen-sized mattress, one box spring, and one frame for two young girls from the Intact Family Services program. They were sleeping on the floor, and Rick, the dad, wanted to get them into a proper bed. They all had just come off the street and were finally housed as winter weather loomed. Alair was hoping the furniture program might have such a mattress. No such luck. But there was a pick-up in Bettendorf scheduled, with the donor promising exactly what the family needed. By the next night, the girls were fast asleep in their comfy new-to-them bed, kept warm by kid-size blankets assembled by the Geneseo Women's Club.

You hold in your hands an annual report with many numbers in it. Each year over the last 123, those numbers started at one. One abandoned baby. One surviving family member of an influenza epidemic. One embarrassed young girl reluctantly making a plan of adoption. One family housed after hitting hard financial times. One foster child safely returned home. One 8th-grade class in North Scott that was given valuable insights into how their own bodies worked, and how to say "No" to unwanted advances. Those numbers that you see on the pages that follow are earned with hard work, long hours, relentless determination, sleepless nights, and perseverance.

But they have also been accomplished with your help and support. You and the countless members of this community take to heart the mission of Bethany for Children & Families: keeping children safe, strengthening families, and building healthy communities.

It is my hope in the coming year that you will support the mission and the work of Bethany once again.



President/CEO

Mental Health Services

811 children and teens received in-school **Mental Health Therapy** from licensed clinical therapists. 78% demonstrated progress for conditions such as anxiety and depression.



277 children and teens with behavioral challenges **regained self-control** and learned problem-solving skills with guidance from the **Behavioral Health Intervention Program**. 68% demonstrated progress in at least one service plan goal.

Child Welfare Services

149 families with allegations of child abuse or neglect learned parenting skills and received mental health and substance abuse treatment, domestic violence counseling, housing, food assistance, and more through the **Intact Family Services Program**. 99% of these parents kept their families together.



97% of families in **Bethany's Wraparound Program** made a customized plan to provide for their safety, social, emotional, educational, and cultural needs and **maintained living together** as a family unit after six months. 161 families were served.

66 foster children were placed in safe, loving, **permanent homes**. That's over 40% of the growing caseload.

2 infants were adopted.



36

at-risk families in the Illinois **Direct Family Interventions Program** learned skills to properly parent their children and **eliminate future charges of neglect**, abuse, or police contact. 90% of the families stayed together.



Community Services

911 students in 21 schools were guided through classes designed to **prevent teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections and develop healthy relationships**. 100% of junior high students surveyed said they felt comfortable saying no to sex until they were ready.



53 youth received mental and behavioral health services through the **Phoenix Day Treatment Program** in conjunction with academic instruction from the Black Hawk Area Special Education District. 99% of these kids were able to stay in their homes and avoid **residential treatment, state incarceration, and juvenile detention**.

379 pieces of furniture were distributed to families in need through the **Family Furniture Assistance Program**.



2,400

Goodwill vouchers were distributed to the community. \$24,000 worth of **free clothing and shoes** were provided to children and families in need.

100%

of students in the **Therapeutic Recreation Program** (an after-school program for at-risk youth) stayed in their home school and moved on to the next grade level. They **learned to reduce aggressive behaviors** and improve social skills. 35 students participated in the program and summer field trips.



581

children and families received **Christmas gifts** through the **Angel Tree program**. **45 families** received holiday **food baskets**.



Homeless Services

39

individuals were off the streets with the assistance of three **Homeless Services** programs. The programs served **28** members of **9 families**, along with **11** homeless youth, teens, and their dependents.



1,500

children will receive **dental exams and cleanings** this coming year as the **Give Kids a Smile mobile dental clinic** resumes operation after the pandemic.



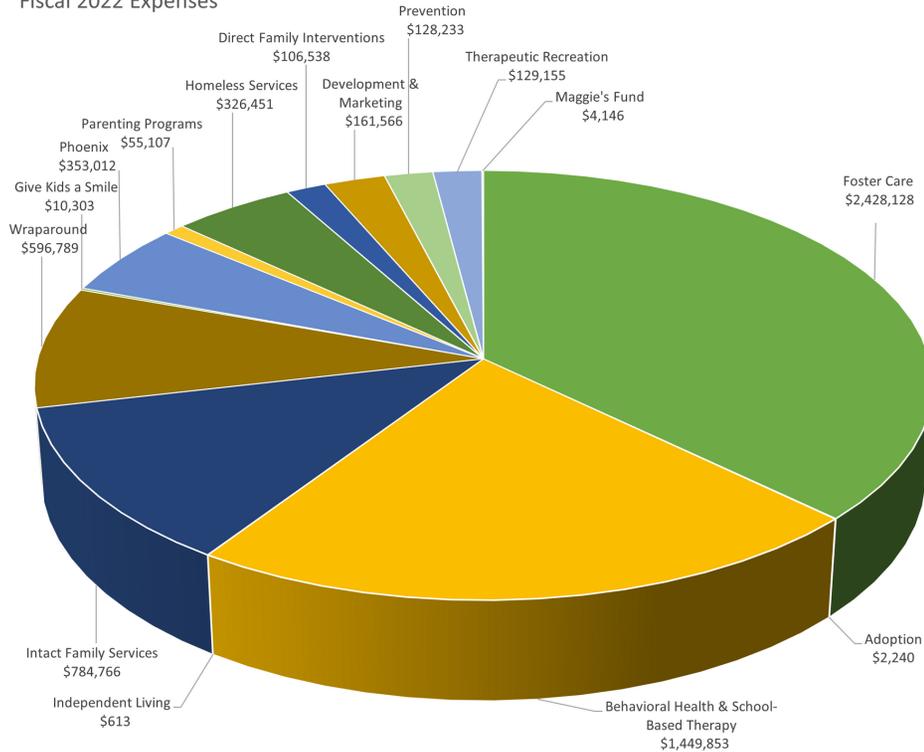
70%

of the families increased their income while in the **transitional housing program**.





Fiscal 2022 Expenses



Bethany provides **25 programs and services** and served **over 11,500 children and families** in FY22. Bethany offers services in **13 counties and two states**, covering **7,050 square miles**.

How to Help



Donate

Monthly donations help us plan for the future and provide a dependable foundation with which we can assist the children in our community who need it most. You can donate through our website at www.bethany-qc.org or mail them to 1830 6th Ave., Moline, Illinois 61265.



In-Kind Donations

Donations of hygiene products (shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, feminine products, diapers), cleaning supplies, dental care items, school supplies, furniture, and appliances are always needed.



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