

A PROMISE

from the heart



2017 ANNUAL REPORT



Children's Home Society
OF NORTH CAROLINA



17,862 CLIENTS SERVED



2017 IMPACT



801 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE TO PERMANENCY



92% *of those leaving our care had only one placement*



322 CHILDREN IN CHILD SPECIFIC RECRUITMENT



68% *completing care found adoptive families*



4,806 YOUTH IN WISE GUYS



83% *of those completing testing after six months reported increased communication with their parents about sexual-decision making*



775 CHILDREN IN INTENSIVE FAMILY PRESERVATION



97% *remained with their biological families after one year*

A PROMISE FROM THE HEART.

Children's Home Society of North Carolina has made a promise – a promise to promote the right of every child to a permanent, safe, and loving family. This is a promise that comes not only from the hearts of our dedicated staff, but from our committed volunteers, donors, and community partners.

The struggles and issues in North Carolina are real. Today, there are more than 11,000 children living in foster care, a number that has grown more than 25% in the past five years alone. While we were pleased to serve nearly 18,000 children and families last year, the reality is that we need to do more. Our promise requires us to do more.

Children's Home Society is striving to do more, through innovation, through investment in proven programs, and through advocacy. Innovation through programs like our award-winning male responsibility and teen pregnancy prevention program Wise Guys, which touched the lives of over 4,800 young men last year. Investment in proven programs like Child Specific Adoption Recruitment, where the longest waiting children in foster care are three times more likely to be placed for adoption. And advocacy on the local, state, and national level.

Thank you so much for your support and all that we accomplished together in 2017. Going forward, we need your support and involvement more than ever. Children are counting on us. Families are counting on us. Our promise is important.

Our very best,



Ginni Lineberry
Chair, Board of Trustees



Brian K. Maness
President & CEO



Ginni Lineberry



Brian Maness



FINANCIALS

*Children's Home Society of North Carolina, Inc.
and Children's Home Society Foundation, Inc.
Consolidated Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017.*

REVENUES

Governmental Contracts	\$14,209,826
Private Contributions	4,375,547
Grants from Private Foundations	5,441,884
United Way Support	349,962
Program Fees	476,900
Events	197,375
Investment Income	473,568
Other Income	1,357
Realized/Unrealized Loss on Investments (Net)	309,162
Total Public Support, Revenue (Expense) and Releases	\$25,835,581

EXPENSES

Program Services	
Foster Care	\$5,651,541
Adoption	3,315,635
Family Support	3,176,209
Education	2,801,621
Family Finding	1,844,975
Total Program Services	16,789,981
Supporting Services	
Administration	422,444
Fundraising	1,161,875
Total Support Services	1,584,319
Total Expenses	\$18,374,300

Net income is the result of multi-year investments in CHS's four-year strategic plan and Promise of Family Campaign.



MENDING HEARTS

Family Preservation

"Family is precious and fight for what you believe and who you love."

THE SAVAGE FAMILY

CHS's Intensive Family Preservation program helps families like the Savages increase their family's strengths, enhance their children's development, and remain together.

Hallie, Donna, Terry, and Kristen Savage



99%

of family education clients felt better prepared to handle future issues in their families.

\$15.2

million saved for the state of North Carolina by keeping children with their biological families.



Myers Park High School students Manpreet Singh, William Miller, Theodore White, and Wise Guys Educator, Jeff Rothberg



MATTERS OF THE HEART Wise Guys

"My instructor was very beneficial. He brought the perfect amount of information and humor for a productive environment. I learned a lot about other people and myself. Wise Guys is one of the courses I will value most coming out of high school."

WILLIAM MILLER

4,800

young men participated in Wise Guys across the state last year, learning healthy concepts of masculinity and responsible behavior.

Youth aging out of foster care face more struggles in early adulthood:



Absence of Mentorship



Homelessness



Incomplete Education



Unemployment



Early Parenthood



Health Issues



Substance Abuse



Incarceration

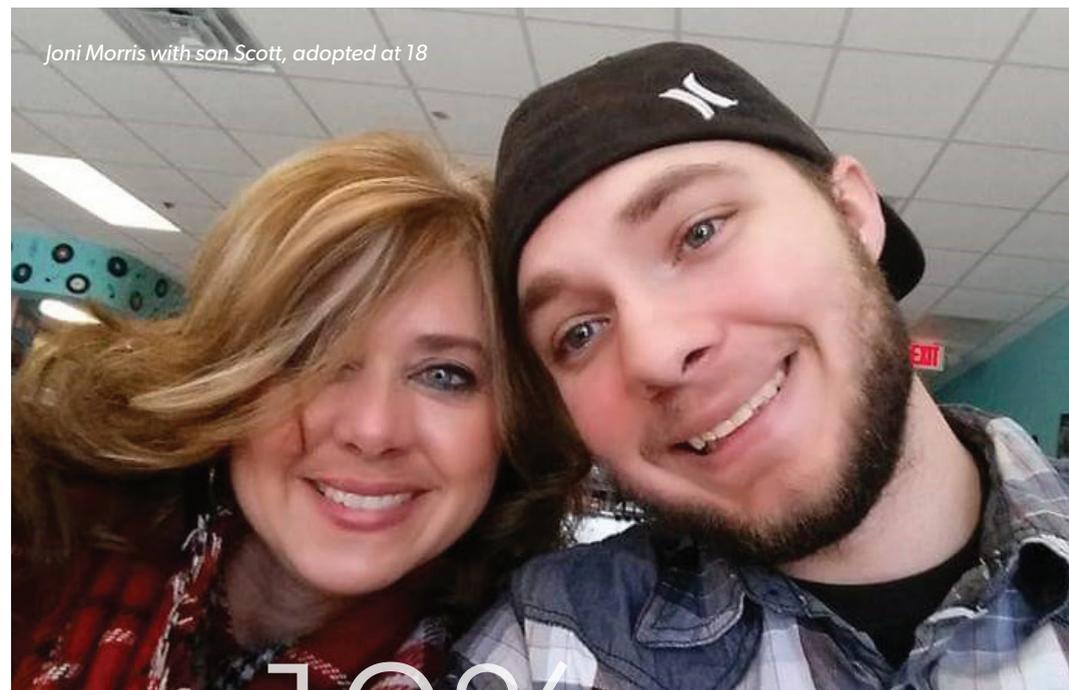


CAPTURING HEARTS Older Adoption

"I'm a firm believer that people should consider adopting older children. They want to be loved and accepted. That's what everybody wants. They deserve a chance in life, an opportunity to have a future and a forever family. I believe that with my whole heart. It's so sad they were thrown a curve ball."

JONI MORRIS

Joni Morris with son Scott, adopted at 18



10.4%

Percentage increase in youth aging out of foster care in North Carolina in 2016 compared to 2015. Highest numbers since mid-2000.

19%

of CHS adoptions placed teenagers.



STRENGTHENING HEARTS

Foster Care

"This is what I tell my children about being a foster family. These children's mom and dad aren't able to take care of them right now. They have issues they are working through, and while they can't take care of them, we are going to welcome them into our home. We're not their parents, but we are going to love these kids and take care of them while their parents are improving their lives."

SALLIE HARRELL, RN – NICU

70%

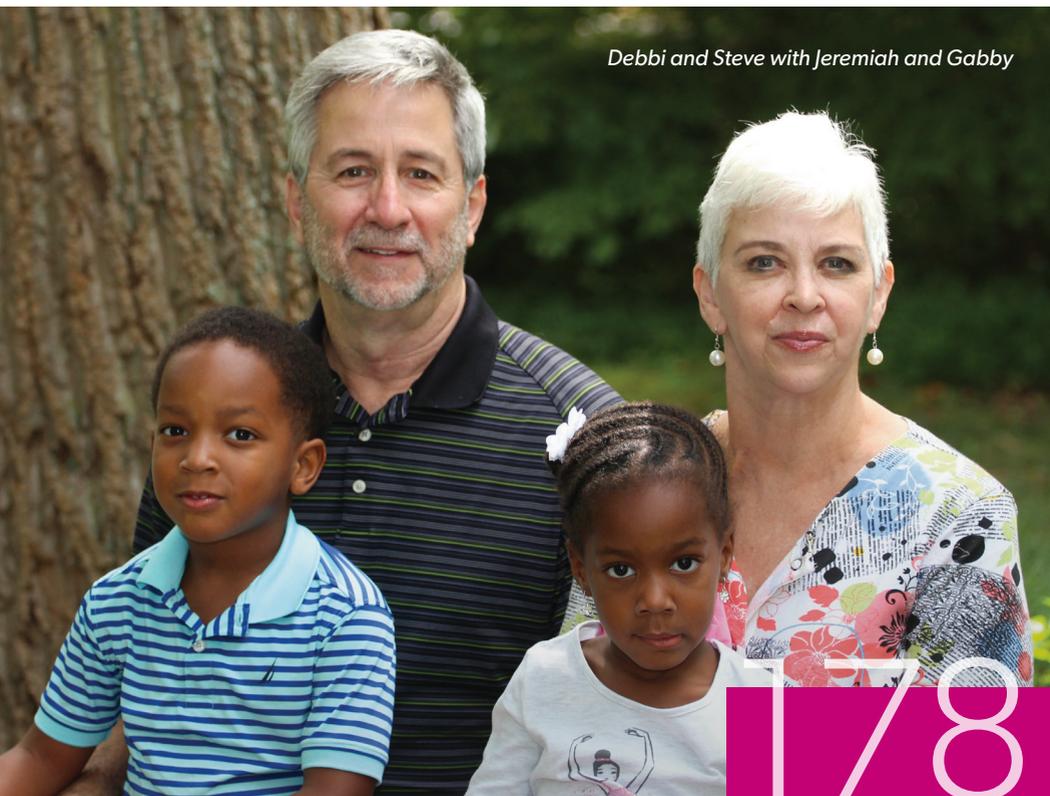
of children in foster care who participated in CHS's Family Finding program established life-long connections.



Sallie Harrell

400+

children are in CHS Foster Care on any given day.



Debbi and Steve with Jeremiah and Gabby



YOUNG AT HEART

Adoption

"Twenty years ago, we completed our foster care classes. We never imagined that we would become parents for a three and four-year-old at this stage of our lives. After adopting four wonderful children we feel truly fortunate. I know we couldn't have done this without the care and support from the social workers and staff at Children's Home Society. We are truly grateful!"

DEBBI AND STEVE CAUSEY

178

adoptive placements were completed last year, far more than any other private agency in the state.

Morgan, Mary, Gio, and Emily Crawford



HEART OF GOLD Supporters

"The reason we support CHS is that they make it possible for the dream of a forever family to come true for children like Emily and Gio, and for parents like us. CHS has given us our family and given family to so many others. We want to give back."

MARY AND MORGAN CRAWFORD

Thank you to the Crawford family for supporting CHS in many ways. Emily created the child-drawn artwork for our holiday card, and Gio raised \$600 for the Little Red Stocking Fund by selling baked treats. Adoptive mom and dad, Mary and Morgan, are donors to CHS, and Mary is on our Triangle Community Leadership Council.

Thanks to our generous supporters,

16,000

children have found permanent, safe, and loving families since 1902.



40%

of CHS' funding comes from individual, corporate, and foundation contributions.



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*To promote the right of every child
to a permanent, safe, and loving family.*

VISION

*To be a leader in transforming families
and communities so children can thrive.*

CORE VALUES

Compassion

Integrity

Excellence

Innovation

