ANNUAL REPORT

2019

PARTNERS MENTORING YOUTH



LETTER FROM OUR TEAM

We hope this note finds you and your loved ones safe and well during this tumultuous time. Like many of you, we at Partners find ourselves fully absorbed in navigating 2020. That said, sharing with you all the wrap-up of 2019 is a worthwhile activity as it brought many good things to the Partners organization and the communities we serve.

In addition to continuing our core services through community-based and school-based mentoring, we grew our group mentoring programs. Through this work we achieved another record number of youth served (541!) with the help of 600+ amazing volunteers. We also hit a record fundraising year and recruited new donors to invest in the future of our youth.

Our biggest move was our decision to absorb programming from Team Wellness



Heather Vesgaard, Executive Director



Devon Beitzel, Board Chair

and Prevention before they dissolved as a 501c3. Expanding our footprint in the field of prevention through more universal and community-wide strategies was a considerable step for us in our strategic vision and we're excited about what is to come through the adoption of several new programs.

To reflect our expanded programming and mission, we will unveil new branding for our organization in late summer--we are eager for you all to see it.

The work we do wouldn't be possible without you, our community of supporters! Thank you for investing in our community and the youth we serve.

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OUR EXPANDED MISSION



Our mission is to empower youth and community members to achieve their full potential through mentoring, prevention education, and strategic partnership



YOUTH MENTORING

We continue to grow our long-standing youth mentoring programs following evidence-based best practices:

- Community-Based Mentoring
- School-Based Mentoring
- Nexus Waiting Youth and Group Programs



PREVENTION EDUCATION

We expanded our prevention work by taking on programs that focus on substance misuse education in the community:

- Define Youth
- Engaging Families
- Responsible Association of Retailers



STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

We maintain our commitment to collaboration and partnership to best serve our community:

- No DUI Larimer Coalition
- Partnership for Healthy Youth
- Directing Change, Larimer County

2019 PROGRAM AND IMPACT STATISTICS

541

Youth Served

In 2019, we served a record number of youth in Northern Colorado! We surpassed our goal and served 541 youth in our youth mentoring and prevention education programs.

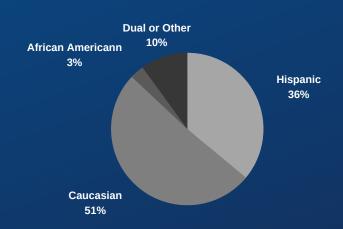
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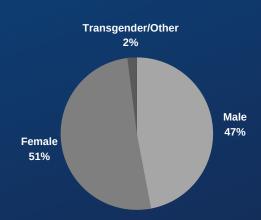
increase in self-esteem 55%

better bonding with adults 50%

improvement on social skills 45%

improvement on decisionmaking skills





85% of our youth face mental health issues either themselves or within their immediate family

75% of our youth live in low income or poverty level homes

62% of our youth have been victims of some type of abuse, neglect, or domestic violence

62% of our youth struggle academically

32% of our youth were affected by substance misuse

40% of our youth lived in single parent households

100% of our youth have potential to succeed in life
100% of our youth deserve a community that invests in that potential

2019 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Expenses:

Program Services

Youth Programs: \$750,410

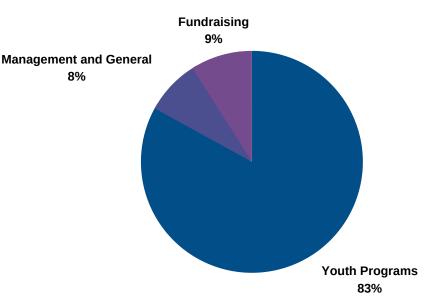
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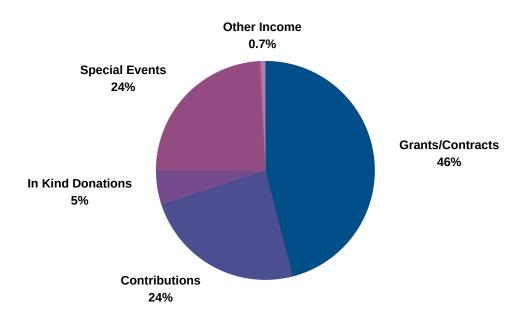
Management and General: \$72,664

• Fundraising: \$83,782

Total Expenses (including

Depreciation): \$906,857





Revenue:

Grants and Contracts: \$421,429 Contributions: \$222,377 In Kind Donations: \$41,856 Special Events, net: \$221,302

Rental income, net: \$3,650 Other Income: \$6,197

Total Revenue: \$916,876

Interest Income: \$65

Net Assets:

Net Assets - beginning of year: \$385,844

Net Assets - end of year: \$410,162 Change in Net Assets: \$24,318

SUPPORT PARTNERS MENTORING YOUTH

Partners strives to serve more northern Colorado youth every year. As a social service nonprofit, our programing depends on support from local community. We are grateful for the generosity we have received from individuals, companies, and foundations that has allowed us to expand our mission and our reach to better serve local youth.

You can become a donor. There are several ways you can get more involved in making sure the next generation has the role models they need to succeed. By providing Partners Mentoring Youth with a financial gift, you sustain our program and make growth possible. Please consider if any of these channels are a good fit for you:

Pivotal Partners: Join our Giving Society and create a deeper relationship with Partners by contributing at least \$1,500 annually, which supports one youth in the program for one year.

Legacy Partners: Ensure your legacy makes an impact on future generations by listing Partners as a beneficiary in your estate.

Supporting Partners: Directly support our mentoring programs by giving a personally significant one-time or monthly gift.







Every contribution makes an impact.

\$1,500 supports one partnership for a full year and helps a youth develop self-esteem, improve their academic performance, and build on their future potential

\$500 supports one youth in our Nexus Program and gives them opportunities to attend fun activities, meet friends, try new experiences, and gain adult support

\$250 supports a monthly life-skill activity that prepares our program youth to handle real life situations, exposes them to future opportunities, and helps them develop new skills

\$100 supports a Senior Partner Training, which teaches mentors how to relate to their Junior Partner, address potential challenges, and thrive as mentors

\$50 pays for a Senior Partner Background Check and supports our process of finding positive, reliable, and safe mentors

\$25 provides snacks for our youth, helping to keep them focused on connecting and learning during our activities

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Part of our vision at Partners is building community in Northern Colorado. Our annual community events give us the opportunity to connect with our supporters, volunteers, families, and those who want to learn more about our youth mentoring services. Join us at one of our events throughout the year!

Sharin' O' the Green — Fort Collins

Celebrating St. Patrick's Day, this 5K run/walk in Fort Collins kicks off the running season in Northern Colorado. It's our largest community event and a great way to promote the importance of mentoring.

Party for Partners — Fort Collins

Our premier leadership event in Fort Collins features an inspiring program, a live auction, photo booth, music, delicious refreshments, and many ways to give to our mission.

Be the Difference — Greeley

Our annual giving event in Weld County where local businesses and individuals gather to socialize, learn about our programs, and support our efforts in Weld County.

Christmas for Kids Campaign

Our annual year-end appeal is centered on giving 100 local kids the gift of mentoring by raising \$150,000 to support our programs. We pair this with our annual life-skill building activity, where youth and their mentors budget and shop for holiday gifts for their loved ones, so they can experience the gift of giving for themselves.

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"My Senior Partner has taught me to enjoy all the little things in life and not take things for granted."

--Junior Partner

"His Senior Partner has been there for my son like no other. The bond between them is a brotherhood that will last a lifetime."

--Junior Partner's Mom

"Giving our time and money to Partners Mentoring Youth allows us the opportunity to invest in the futures of individual young people, and also to invest in the future of our broader community. It's a worthwhile investment on all levels."

-- Current Donor



