ANNUAL REPORT
2015-2016

CHANGING LIVES FOR GENERATIONS
TOGETHER,
WE PROMOTE
CHILD WELL-BEING
AND FAMILY STABILITY
IN OUR COMMUNITY.
DEAR FRIENDS,

Thanks to your sustained and generous support, together in 2016 we made a lot of positive impact. We served thousands of children and families through in-home and community programs – programs that work to prevent instability in families before it begins. Casa de los Niños works to strengthen families and keep kids safely in their homes. Why is this so important? Because we need to give families the tools and resources they need to stay together as a family—kids belong at home.

This year, we have also made huge improvements in our response to promote healing for families. We have enhanced the sophistication of our response by training all of our staff in the Trauma-Informed Care Approach, an evidence-based practice nationally recognized as the leading response for children (and families) who have trauma symptoms. Our work is designed to improve long-term outcomes for children and families as they manage what can be the lifelong impact of early traumatic experiences.

We take our responsibility to our donors seriously. Our annual report demonstrates fiscal responsibility as well as efficiency and urgency to apply funding in the most promising programs for family stability and child well-being. There continues to be instability in the state and federal funding resources for children and families. More than ever, the value of your individual gift is enormous. This community has steadfastly supported Casa de los Niños from the time Sister Kathleen Clark opened its doors in 1973. And it is precisely that support that has ensured that kids and families have a place to go for help, for support and to keep their families healthy and together.

We can’t and don’t do this work alone. We appreciate your support, the faith you put in our staff and leadership, and most importantly, your commitment to helping children and families in our community.

Susie Huhn, MA, Chief Executive Officer
2016 Statistics

Families Served
3,361

Children Served
6,190

Staff
323 incredibly talented and passionate people who are proud to make a positive impact on the lives of kids and families everyday.
“We have always been advocates of Casa de los Niños based on their mission and service to children. A personal involvement with Casa 16 years ago gave us the opportunity to experience first-hand the level of commitment and care demonstrated by the staff and volunteers while attending to our city’s most vulnerable, yet most-deserving children. The compassion and true concern for their well-being left an imprint on our hearts.

We believe in giving back to the community that has been good to us both professionally and personally. We are proud to support Casa de los Niños and we’re excited to be a small part of the Cole & Jeannie Davis Family Center. The programs and resources that will be available to families through this new center will surely be instrumental in changing lives for generations.”

CINDY & JOE DHUEY | COMMUNITY PARTNERS & DONORS
## MAKING AN IMPACT: 2016

### PREVENTION

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<td>Parent Education Classes</td>
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<td>Home Visits by Nurses &amp; Parent Educators</td>
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<td>Developmental, Vision, Hearing Screenings</td>
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### INTERVENTION

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<td>Children Placed in Foster or Adoptive Homes</td>
<td>336</td>
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<td>Meals and Snacks Served to Children in Shelter</td>
<td>62,564</td>
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<td>Families Participated in Reunification Support Services</td>
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### TREATMENT

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<td>Total Hours of Behavioral Health Therapy for Children</td>
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<td>Hours of In-Home Support, Crisis Intervention &amp; Assessment for Families</td>
<td>12,592</td>
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<td>Children Completed Mental &amp; Behavioral Health Treatment Program</td>
<td>783</td>
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EMPOWERING FAMILIES

“The Parents as Teachers Program has been such a gift for my family. I have learned about my daughter’s progress and what I can do differently to help her. I understand that as her mother, I am her ‘first teacher’. My educator came to my home when we were having a really difficult time, and I am so thankful for the help extended to us. I know that my daughter will do well in school when she starts next year, and we will see the benefits for years to come.”

SHANNON M., PARENTS AS TEACHERS PROGRAM GRADUATE
MY VOICE MATTERS...

The children that come to the shelter are very frequently members of a family that have a history of trauma—parents that suffered their own neglect or abuse as children.

Casa de los Niños embraces a “trauma-informed” approach to working with families. Rather than saying “what’s wrong with you”, we ask “what happened to you...tell me your story”. By working with both the family and the child, we can create a path to stability and, hopefully, change the family legacy of trauma, neglect and abuse.
Thanks to more than 3,891 individuals, corporations and foundations, we raised over $2M in gifts in 2016, the most ever raised in a single year.

Each donor is a testament to the strength of this dynamic community! We are enormously grateful for the generous support from all of our donors.

**FINANCIAL HEALTH FY15/16**

- **Government Awards**: $18,012,846
- **Private Donations, Grants**: $1,985,095
- **Thrift Store**: $396,607
- **Special Events**: $1,054
- **Other Income**: $22,298

**Program Expenses**

- **Fundraising**: $564,752
- **Administrative Expenses**: $1,717,836

* see program expenses details in chart below

**Operating Support & Revenue**

- **Total**: $20,417,900

**Operating Expenses**

- **Total**: $18,958,733

**Program Expenses**

- **Total**: $16,676,145

**Unrestricted Net Assets**

- **as of June 30, 2016**: $7,501,240

The data provided is a consolidated view. For more in-depth information, please visit casadelosninos.org/form990

Preliminary financial information, subject to final audit adjustments.

Surplus in revenue is a reflection of a one-time payment resulting from the fiscal year 2016 change in Regional Behavioral Health Authority contract.
“It’s always been easy to give to Casa de los Niños. The mission to provide for vulnerable children and families is a necessary and noble one. A few years ago, we found ourselves in the fortunate position to give more than before, and it was easy to decide to give to the Cole & Jeannie Davis Family Center at Casa de los Niños. Not only are they serving the needs of children in our community, but they also educate parents in the practical as well as the emotional skills needed when rearing children. The organization has solid leadership as well as a plan for leadership longevity. We are privileged to be able to support this organization and the Family Center that will have such a positive impact on so many lives.”

BOB & LISA SWIFT | COMMUNITY MEMBERS & DONORS

“We believe in the mission of Casa de los Niños today as much as we did when Sister Kathleen Clark founded Casa de los Niños. And we have been involved just as long! The leadership remains strong and we are proud to continue to support this important place for kids and families.”

CHUCK & PAT PETTIS, LONG-TIME CASA SUPPORTERS
STRENGTH IN PARTNERSHIPS

The Tucson community comes together in unique and wonderful ways to support families and kids!

26,500 donations were received for the Thrift Store

For over 10 years, Ventana Medical Systems has brought together their incredible employees to raise funds for Casa de los Niños with the annual Walk For Children. The money donated to Casa de los Niños from the employees is matched by their corporate division and sent to a childrens orphanage in Malawi, Africa. Ventana Medical Systems long-standing dedication to helping children locally and around the world is truly inspiring.

In 2016, local business and corporate partners raised over $55,000 in outside events

SPECIAL THANKS to our Corporate & Foundation Partners!

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Side by Side Foundation
Southwest Energy, LLC
The Stonewall Foundation
Sun City Vistoso Community Foundation
Sundt Foundation
Wells Fargo Corporate Giving
William & Mary Ross Foundation
WSM Architects
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

Casa de los Niños has unique and fulfilling opportunities for those interested in volunteering their time and talent.

IN 2016

184 volunteers
22,133 hours of service

JIM PERRY
VOLUNTEER & DONOR...AND SO MUCH MORE.

Jim Perry has a long history of working with children. Years ago, he served as the Development Director of The Rudolf Steiner School in Great Barrington, MA. His personal history—difficult times as a young child—always led him to want to be helpful to kids in need. He volunteered on the East Coast with ill children and was very moved by that experience. When he came to live in Tucson, he knew that he needed to find a way to connect to the community and help kids. Right away, he found Casa de los Niños and knew it was the place for him to be of service. Jim has volunteered with the children in the shelter for nine years now. And, the staff will tell you, Jim is “so gentle, so kind, and so loving.” He is an amazing member of our volunteer staff.
HOPE AND HEALING

Brian and his younger brother and sister were brought to the crisis shelter in April. Domestic violence was making their home an unsafe place.

Even though he was only 9 years old, it was immediately clear that he felt and acted like a parent to his siblings, only 6 and 15 months, sharing detailed information with the staff that he thought would help in their care. For several months, Brian sent his mother drawings and notes in the hopes that they would be reunited. But, his mother was incarcerated for a past drug violation, so reunification was not coming soon.

The focus shifted to finding a foster home for the siblings to stay together. Brian and his school-aged brother enjoyed being enrolled in the local elementary school and, although they painfully missed their mother, they told the shelter staff how much they liked being in a place where kids had a bed to sleep in and food to eat.

The two older kids suffered another devastating blow when they learned their little sister would be reunited with her biological father, and the kids would not stay together. But, our behavioral health team immediately responded to help these kids deal with their trauma, express their emotions, and to support them with therapy. A court-appointed special advocate also provided a strong voice for both children. Brian and his brother were excited when they learned a foster home had been identified for them and that they would go there together. With careful and thoughtful work, the kids made a transition to their foster home. Trauma cannot be erased, but Brian and his brother have started to experience a life where there is consistency and comfort.
BRINGING FAMILIES TOGETHER

“When we wanted to expand our family, we immediately thought of partnering with Casa de los Niños. Becoming foster parents was one way that we could give back to our community, and we were fortunate enough to adopt two boys. One was in a medically fragile foster home since birth and the other lived in the shelter as part of his rehabilitation from abuse. Now thriving at ages 8 and 10, we feel it is essential that we continue to give back to Casa de los Niños even though we have moved to California.”

“Our family will forever benefit from Casa de los Niños and we want to make sure as many families in Tucson have the same opportunities that we did.”

KEITH HUMPHREY & BRETT KLAY

Keith and Brett are adoptive parents and unwavering supporters of Casa de los Niños
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