

UNLOCKING PROMISE IN OUR COMMUNITY

SPECIAL NEEDS

4 Special Olympics sports teams were offered to our SAIL recreational, social, and life skills program participants

130 young adults found job coaching, placement, and mentorship through our Supported Employment Program to ready them for the workforce

4 days a week 48 individuals participated in our TOPS Day Program



SENIOR SERVICES

3,600 seniors received crucial support, such as home health care and homemaking services, to help them age in place at home with dignity and grace

\$1,003,671 worth of support services were provided to assist Holocaust Survivors

12,448 catered, home delivered meals were provided to seniors and those who are homebound

COUNSELING

\$233,975 worth of counseling subsidies were provided for local residents to receive mental health treatment

450 young adults and their parents were affected by our Right in Our Backyard addiction awareness program

TOGETHER WE HOLD THE KEYS TO A BRIGHTER FUTURE

When one door closes, another one opens ...

This phrase is meant to express positivity in the face of challenging circumstances. Some people have no problem dealing with adversity. For others, the mere thought of stepping through another passageway is paralyzing. It is in those times that the wisdom and compassion of others is needed to guide them towards the potential and promise that can be theirs. For over 70 years, JFCS has represented the door to opportunity and growth, so that our clients do not have to face their problems alone. Once we give them the keys to realize a better tomorrow, they are able to create their own future, each and every day thereafter.

As the senior population in South Jersey grows, JFCS continues to provide unparalleled services to thousands, so that our clients may age in place with independence and dignity. In particular, we have extended the breadth and footprint of services to Holocaust Survivors, so that they may receive the comfort and critical care they need. This year, we proudly provided over one million dollars of support to area Survivors. In addition, our Take the Wheel program is expanding, so that we may service more veterans in need of transportation to their medical appointments. This innovative volunteer program lifts up those who have bravely stood for our country.

Our counseling department remains at the forefront of mental health client advocacy and action, further developing key programming for those in need of care. To address common issues pertaining to transition in young adults, the counseling department launched two groups: "This Is Me" for pre-teen girls, and "This is My Life" for young adults needing guidance after their high school and college years. Each program enables our clients to take steps toward growth and higher self-esteem – giving them a plan, offering coping strategies, and developing goals, so that they can effectively face challenges. Our Right in Our Backyard Program has expanded to bring awareness to the general public on the epidemic of addiction, and to assist those families in our area who are currently struggling.

The Rhona Fischer (z"l) Family Assistance Program has been a mainstay for those who are amongst the most vulnerable in our community. Our Betsy and Peter Fischer Food Pantries saw a 25% increase in demand for food this year, providing nearly 7,000 individuals with sustenance from our three pantry locations. The Project SARAH Domestic Abuse Program continues to host clients in our safe house, "Charlotte's Place," and conduct outreach and education to hundreds of area youth on healthy relationships. This year, Project SARAH hosted an eye-opening documentary film screening of "The Hunting Ground" for 188 attendees to raise awareness of the prevalence of college sexual assault.

The Special Needs Department has had a banner year. Our Soups and Sweets Culinary Training Program offered expanded catering menus to the public, and raised over \$65,000, which went right back into fortifying the program. Since its inception, this initiative reports an impressive 79% employment placement rate among its participants. Our Supported Employment Program has empowered 130 individuals through job mentorship and coaching to prepare them for the workforce. In fact, four of our clients who were placed in employment recently celebrated 10 years at the same job!

The issues that face our neighbors are as diverse as the demographics that make up this region. The renowned services and support systems that embody the mission of JFCS help each of our neighbors in need to face adversity and change head-on. Better than that, they enable clients to master life skills and build autonomy, extending well beyond their initial visit to our agency. Together, with the enduring dedication of our volunteers, donors, community partners, board, and staff, we will continue to open doors to new horizons, open hearts to healing and understanding, and unlock promise and potential for all.



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We give help. We give hope.

For over 70 years, Samost Jewish Family & Children's Service (JFCS) has provided comprehensive, caring social services to residents of Southern New Jersey. JFCS serves all ages, faiths, and economic backgrounds - strengthening the individual, the family, and the community. No one is ever turned away due to an inability to pay. Our agency is devoted to providing programs and support so that those in need can experience a life full of hope and promise.

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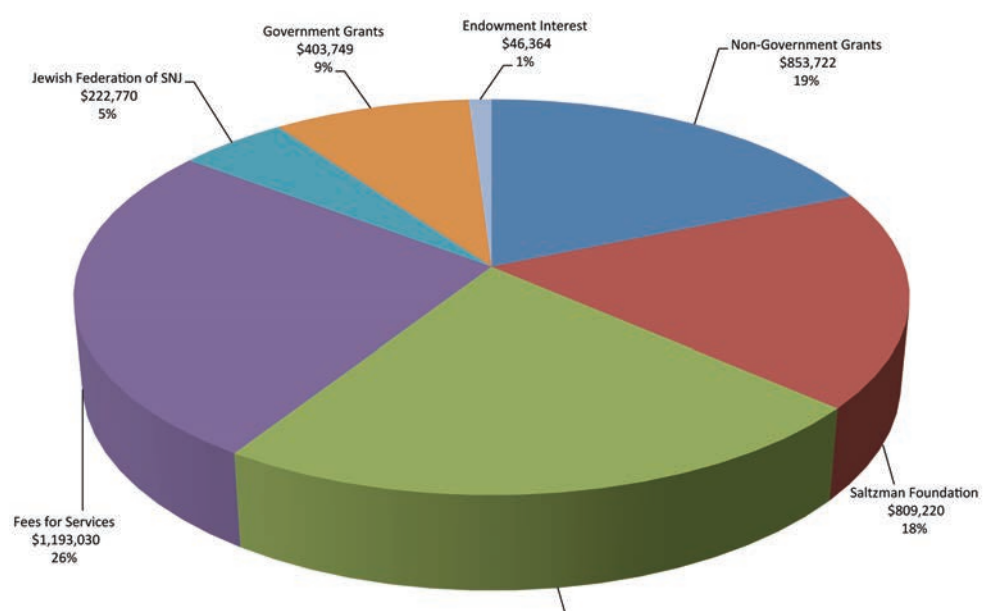
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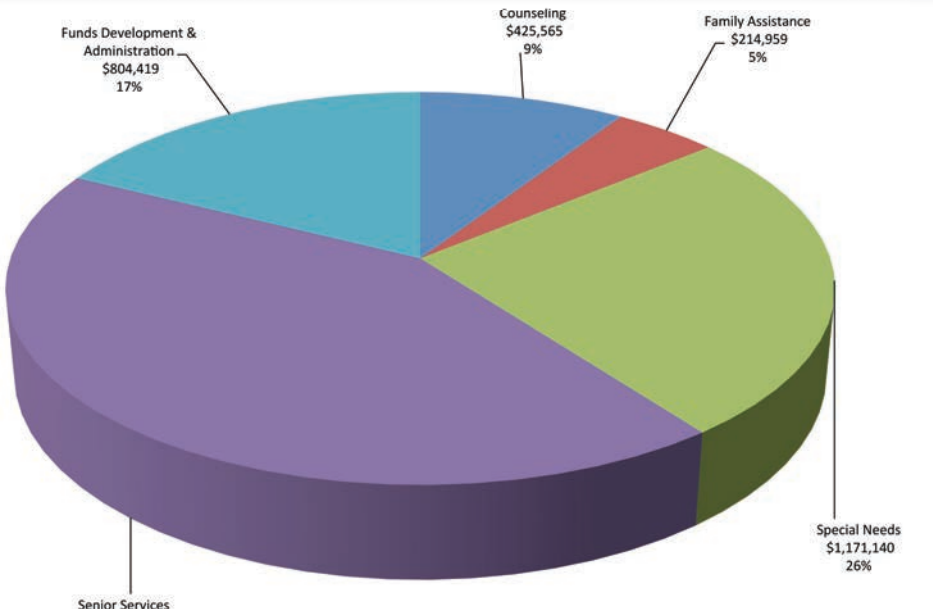
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SOURCES OF SUPPORT & REVENUE



Total Revenue: \$4,565,515

OPERATING EXPENSES



Total Operating Expenses: \$4,565,515



PROGRAMS & SERVICES

FAMILY ASSISTANCE

Over **\$200,000** worth of food was distributed to almost 7,000 people to fight food insecurity in our community

50 domestic abuse victims and their families were helped by Project SARAH Program services

351 teens were educated through our Building Healthy Relationships Program



VOLUNTEER

\$102,702 worth of volunteer services were given to support agency clients and programs

250 volunteers helped sort hundreds of bags of food at our two annual holiday food drives to replenish our pantry shelves

Over **3,000** meals were cooked for our clients, in cooperation with area synagogues and organizations, to warm the hearts of seniors and homebound individuals throughout the year



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