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# Letter to the Community



This has been such a busy year, that I'm not even sure where to start. Let me tell you what Bill Wilson Center has accomplished this year.

First, as always, is the amazing work that Bill Wilson Center staff and volunteers achieved with the youth and families we serve. In this annual report you will read three stories of youth we helped and the life-changing results.

Second, are all the ways we have made changes to better serve our clients:

This year with the support of the City of Santa Clara, we purchased a 28-unit apartment building that will provide affordable supportive housing for homeless youth who need an array of services to become self-sufficient and create successful lives. The unique aspect of this housing will be the inclusion of low-income staff as tenants who will serve as mentors for the youth. We will be fundraising for renovations and for the addition of a new community building on the site. You'll hear more about this campaign in 2008.

Completed shortly after our fiscal year ended, was our merger with Future Families, an agency that recruits, trains, and supports foster and adoption families, among other services. This merger will extend our housing and counseling continuum of services.

In addition, Bill Wilson Center became a MediCal agency this year. This change enables

Bill Wilson Center to provide a more complete range of mental health services and to create a funding stream that will help to ensure that Bill Wilson Center remains financially stable.

The merger and the addition of MediCal brought our budget up from \$6.5 million to \$10.5 million. The number of staff increased to 105, and we have almost 400 volunteers and interns. These changes have required a period of transition that we estimate will take place throughout FY2008. We are reinventing the agency so that we can continue to excel in the services we provide to the community.

All of this would not happen without the help of our many partners. Government funding provides a financial base; however, it is the foundations, corporations, religious groups, clubs and organizations, and, of course, individual donors who enable us to respond to individual client needs. People turn to us who have had difficult life experiences and have limited access to resources. Your financial help enables Bill Wilson Center to provide services that address the specific needs of each client.

You are the reason we helped over 10,000 people this year – with your support, we'll help even more in the year to come.

With Warm Regards,

*Sparky Harlan*

# Programs and Statistics

Bill Wilson Center, a non-profit, community-based agency has been serving Santa Clara County for over 30 years. Bill Wilson Center's mission is to support and strengthen the community by serving youth and families through counseling, housing, education, and advocacy. Each year Bill Wilson Center serves over 10,000 clients through its programs.

## Bill Wilson Center Services Include:

**Runaway and Homeless Youth Residential Program** offers short-term housing to youth (ages 11 - 17). Youth seek shelter when they are homeless, have run away, or Families turn to the shelter when family conflict has created a breakdown of the family and they could benefit from a short-term separation and counseling. Through intensive individual, group and family counseling the program strives to reunite families whenever possible, prevent future problems, and to stabilize the lives of youth to keep them safe.

*Program Stats:* Of the 305 youth who stayed at the Bill Wilson Center Shelter, 87% were reunited with their families, and 95% remained in a safe environment 90 days after discharge. Bill Wilson Center provided 1,726 individual and family counseling sessions, 208 group sessions, 641 aftercare sessions, and 4,813 bed nights.

*Demographics:* 55% of the youth are female; 4% are 12 and under, 61% are 13-15, and 35% are 16-18. 48% are Hispanic, 29% Caucasian, 13% African American, 4% Asian/Pacific Islander, and 6% are Native American/Other.

**Drop-In Center** in downtown San Jose is a community-based resource for homeless and at-risk youth, ages 13 – 24, and provides basic necessities such as food, clothing, and personal hygiene items, as well as comprehensive services including counseling, living skills training, job readiness training, housing assistance, health education (including HIV prevention), and links to other community services. The Drop-In Center is a stepping-stone to getting youth off the streets and on their way to a more stable life.

*Program Stats:* 824 youth participated in case management services. 59% of youth received employment readiness counseling. Outreach workers made 6,619 contacts with homeless youth on the street.

*Demographics:* 60% of the youth are male; 1% are under 12 years old, 16% are 13-17, 82% are 18-25. 41% are Hispanic, 26% are Caucasian, 22% are African American, 5% are Asian/Pacific Islander, and 6% are Native American/Other.



## Michael Goes Home Again

Michael's mother appeared at Bill Wilson Center's youth shelter looking for her son. He had run away and left word that he was going to Bill Wilson Center. Hours later, Michael showed up and we let his mother know that he was safe. It was decided that he would stay at BWC for the night.

The next day one of the therapists met with Michael, who told the therapist that when he told his parents that he was bisexual, they were very angry, and that his mother's behavior was often volatile. Sinking into his own depression, Michael's grades had suffered badly. He was willing to talk more with his parents but only if it could be without an argument.

The therapist met separately with Michael's parents. Initially Michael's mother wanted to place severe limits on her son and forbid him to see certain friends. The therapist noted that this approach had not been effective in the past. The therapist suggested that they focus on strengthening the relationship with their son through encouragement, respect, and active listening. Michael's mother declared, "I am not going to stop being who I am". When her husband asked her to clarify what she meant by that and she had difficulty doing so.

When the therapist met with Michael, Michael said he wanted to emancipate from his parents. Michael wouldn't listen to his therapist and said he had a plan to stay at his cousin's house and get a job and save money. The following day he didn't return to Bill Wilson Center after school.

Michael's parents were distraught and decided to put a message on Michael's My Space, giving him permission to stay where he was as long as he would agree to family counseling at Bill Wilson Center. Michael agreed to the offer.

After the first few sessions, communication became easier and was extremely productive. Michael's mother was sorry that her temper had torn their family apart. She was determined to stop yelling and making threats, and pledged to listen and respect others' opinions. Michael was encouraged enough to go home again. The family still meets weekly for aftercare counseling.

## Monica and Sammy

Monica was 20 years old and had been living with her boyfriend for over two years. She was completely dependent on him - she had no job or financial support. She stayed home and took care of their child. After months of verbal abuse the boyfriend became violent - hitting her and yelling at her in front of their child, Sammy, frequently.



Desperate, Monica packed up and moved out one day while her boyfriend was at work. She and Sammy stayed at friends' houses but never stayed anywhere too long. After a month of sleeping on couches, a friend told her about Bill Wilson Center.

At Bill Wilson Center she was offered housing in the Transitional Housing Program (THP), where she and Sammy had a safe place to live. Her case-manager at THP helped her get subsidized childcare and she began looking for a part-time office job.

Monica learned that she could access several programs at Bill Wilson Center to help her learn to be self-sufficient, financially and mentally stable, and, most importantly, be a good mother to Sammy. With encouragement, she became a full time student at a local community college, while also maintaining her part-time job. She has since graduated from the THP program and moved into her own apartment.

Monica had turned out to be a strong young woman who is now taking good care of her son - and good care of herself.

# Programs and Statistics

**Transitional Housing Program** provides housing and support services for older, homeless youth ages 16 – 25, including parenting youth and their infants/ toddlers. The goal of the program is to transition youth into permanent housing. Youth receive case management services, individual and group counseling, educational and employment services, and independent living skills training. Parenting teens receive parenting training and assistance with childcare to prepare them for employment. Our Transitional Housing Placement Program provides similar services for youth who are currently in the foster care system.

*Program Stats:* There were a total of 84 youth in transitional housing, and 39 children of parenting youth. 87% of the youth were able to maintain permanent housing after exiting the program.

*Demographics:* 65% are female; 42% are Hispanic, 16% Caucasian, 5% are Asian/Pacific Islander, 30% African American, and 7% are Native American/Other.

**Quetzal House** is named after the Quetzal bird, which dies when kept in captivity. Quetzal House is a six-bed, short-term group home for girls ages 13 – 17 who are chronic runaways from the foster care system. Quetzal provides counseling and support in a home-like setting in order to reduce destructive behaviors and reuniting the girls successfully with mainstream foster care.

*Program Stats and Demographics:* 24 girls stayed for a total of 2,075 bed nights. All Quetzal House residents are female and are between the ages of 13 and 18 years old. 66% are Hispanic, 17% are Caucasian, 17% African American. 60% were able to return to their homes or to a lesser level of care.

**Family and Individual Counseling Center** provides low-cost, professional counseling services to individuals and families in the Santa Clara Valley. Counseling is provided for families, children, couples, and individual adults who may be experiencing a wide variety of mental health problems. The focus of the program is to help individuals develop the skills and confidence needed to handle any crisis they may face. School Outreach Counseling Program provides counseling services to students in the middle and high schools of Santa Clara Unified School District. School counseling include services that are specifically targeted to the Vietnamese community. The focus is on reducing the incidence of child abuse by providing intervention and treatment to Vietnamese youth and their families.

*Program Stats:* Counseling was provided to 927 people for a total of 4,007 counseling sessions – 238 couples counseling, 462 family counseling, 23 parenting group sessions, 3284 individual counseling and 747 consultations. School Outreach Counseling provided services to 407 youth in 1,418 individual and 231 group sessions. 84% reported reduced family conflict.

*Demographics:* 60% of clients are female; 11% are 12 and under, 22% are 13-17, 45% are 18-44, 22% are over 44. 47% are Caucasian, 34% Hispanic, 6% Asian Pacific Islander, 7% are African American, and 6% are Native American/Other. 50% of school outreach participants are female; 32% are under 12, 68% are over 12; 55% are Asian/Pacific Islander, 20% Hispanic, 17% Caucasian, 4% Native American/Other, and 4% are African American.



### Anna's Story

Anna was 18 when she was kicked out of her parent's house. Throughout her childhood her parents had been mentally and physically abusive. Her father was the abuser and her mother wasn't capable of intervening.

When Anna came to Bill Wilson Center's Drop-In Center, she was 19 and wasn't serious about leaving street life. Anna wasn't interested in referrals, offers of services, or support. She wanted to please staff by agreeing to make changes in her life, but she wouldn't follow through. She had been staying at friends' houses and eventually took off to LA.

When she returned from LA, Anna had a baby. She became serious about getting her life on track. She came back to the Drop-In Center and got involved with case management and also got food and participated in parenting classes where she learned how to take care of and find resources for her new baby. She now lives at one of Bill Wilson Center's Transitional Housing sites with her baby girl.

Bill Wilson Center will always welcome youth who need assistance, even if they didn't follow through the first time around. Our no fail policy is in place because not every youth is ready to deal with the responsibilities of adulthood – and we all make mistakes.

## Programs and Statistics

**Independent Living Skills Program** teaches youth in foster care the skills they need to become self-sufficient. Youth who are raised in group homes or foster care “age out” of the system at 18 regardless of whether they have a job, money, or the skills needed to be independent. The ILP program teaches skills such as how to get and keep a job, balance a checkbook, shop and keep house, and how to become productive members of the community.

*Program Stats and Demographics:* 250 youth between the ages of 13-24 received independent living skills training. 52% are female; 30% are Hispanic; 30% Caucasian; 13% Mixed Race/Native American/Other; 20% African American; and 7% Asian.

**Centre for Living With Dying** provides emotional support to adults and children facing life-threatening illness or the trauma of having a loved one die. Grief is a natural part of most people's lives, however bereaved individuals can suffer elevated risks of depression, anxiety and other psychiatric disorders, physical complaints and infections. Those who are coping with grief are given tools for coping with loss and trauma through individual counseling or grief groups. The Centre also provides crisis intervention services and broad based education on grief and loss to those in the community whose professions touch death and illness, including emergency and safety personnel, medical personnel, and school personnel. Program Stats: 655 individuals were served through individual and group grief counseling – 3% were under 5, 11% were 5-12, 22% were 13-17, 31% were 18-44, 27% were 45-64, and 6% were over 64. 86 youth received grief counseling at their schools.

**Contact Cares** provides objective listening, caring involvement, and information and referrals on 24-hour crisis lines to help meet the wide range of needs in the human community. The Contact Cares program has been listening to Silicon Valley for over 30 years. The 24-hour multi-purpose helpline is staffed by trained volunteers who answered a total of 17,270 calls in FY07.

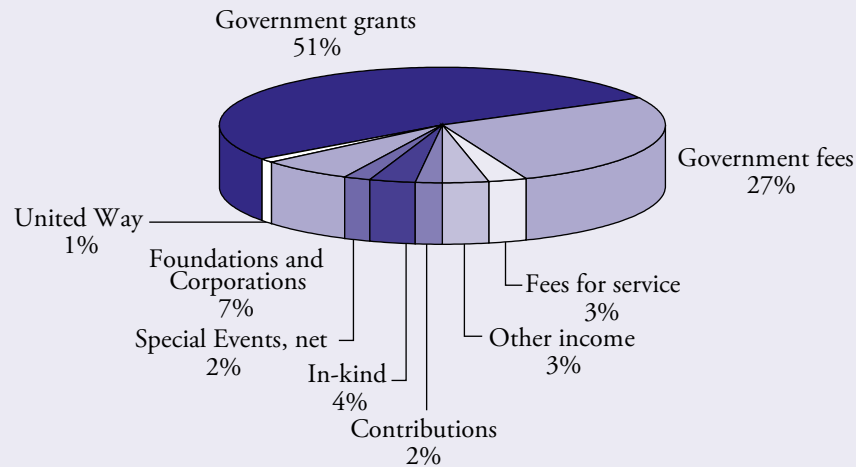
### Other programs include:

- **Restorative Justice Programs** in San Jose provide first time offenders an alternative to incarceration. 423 youth between the ages of 12 and 18 were served.
- **Safe Place and Safe Place Community Outreach** provides thousands of children and youth in the community with information on how to access the over 861 Safe Place sites maintained by Bill Wilson Center. 101 youth sought help through Safe Place. Safe Place Community Outreach trained 108 youth in leadership skills
- **Para Las Familias Visitation Center** provides supervised visitation designed to lessen impact of separation on child and family. 258 individuals participated in supervised visits. *[Note: This program ended in January 2007.]*

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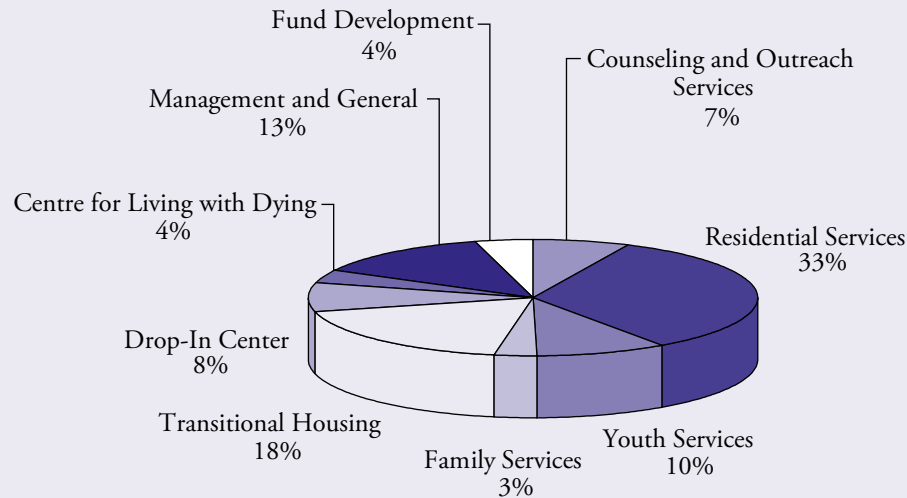
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### INCOME

	Amount	Percentage
Contributions	125,856	1.8
In-kind	243,025	3.5
Special Events, net	126,596	1.9
Foundations and Corporations	456,053	6.6
United Way	80,222	1.2
Government grants	3,590,899	52.2
Government fees	1,837,799	26.7
Fees for service	187,907	2.7
Other income	224,647	3.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,873,004</b>	<b>99.9</b>

## EXPENSES



### EXPENSES

	Amount	Percentage
Counseling and Outreach Services	472,014	7.0
Residential Services	2,235,282	33.1
Youth Services	653,813	9.7
Family Services	193,728	2.9
Transitional Housing	1,242,457	18.4
Drop-In Center	544,636	8.1
Centre for Living with Dying	246,871	3.7
Management and General	877,315	13.0
Fund Development	277,163	4.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,743,289</b>	<b>100</b>

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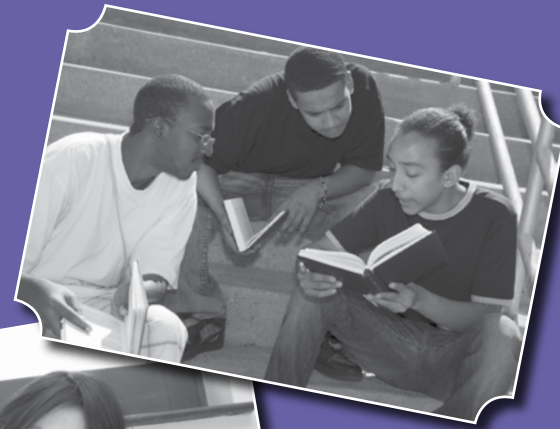
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