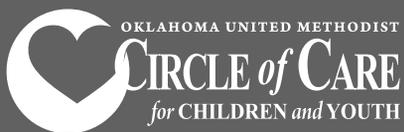


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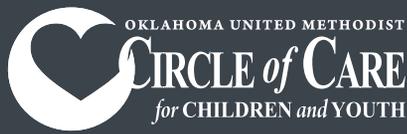
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A Word From the President

KEITH HOWARD



Growing up I had a couple of favorite Bible verses, the main one being Jeremiah 29:11-12, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you."

I'm sure you've heard this verse a time or two, because it is common on post-cards, ice box magnets, pictures and an assortment of other items. Most people put an emphasis on verse 11 and for good reason, but I have always loved verse 12 where there is an action item, something we are called to do and a response from God. Take a look at it again. When we call on Him and pray to Him, He will listen!

It is clear that as we finish out our 101st year in 2018 that God truly has known the plans for Circle of Care. From a big dream meeting a big need in 1917 to serving children and families statewide through a multitude of services in 2018, His plans have truly been good and we continue to have a hope and a future.

But, do you want to hear even better news? The hope and the future He is providing Circle of Care is really just an opportunity to be His hands and feet as He provides help, healing and hope to some of the most vulnerable across Oklahoma. It is not about us, as much as it is about being a willing participant in God's plan to serve and love on the least of these within our state. That is really exciting for myself and our team.

Moving forward we are certain God has a great plan for us, but we equally know we can't stop seeking Him out. There is so much work to do and we need God's guidance more than ever. It is on us to be intentional about calling on God and spending time discerning what it is He is leading us to do and being honest with God about our needs.

With the changes in church apportionments, we are asking God to fill any gaps we might experience in funding. We are asking for God to stir people's hearts about the opportunity to leave a legacy with Circle of Care in the form of an estate gift. We are asking God to bring the right staff and board members onto our team as we grow and expand our services. And, we are asking God for favor among state leadership and others as we build programs and dream up new programs to meet the needs of Oklahomans everywhere.

You see, we are confident in our future. But we also know we can never become self-reliant. Our future is based on God's promise and our role is to never stop seeking Him. Looking back at 2018, I can see God's faithfulness all over our ministry. That is encouraging as we once again seek Him out in 2019 and show up every day to do our best in providing Christian help, healing and hope to children and families across Oklahoma.

Thank you for taking this journey with us, supporting us and helping us to live out our mission across Oklahoma. Together we can do more for more and I'm excited to see what the future holds at Circle of Care!

Our mission is to provide Christian help, healing, and hope to children and families in crisis to ensure a safe, healthy, and spiritual future.



Foster Care Services

Bring Them Home

Moore Family Story



When Daniel Moore's children are asked how many siblings they have, they typically answer: "I'm not sure. I haven't met them all and our family is still growing." Daniel has been a foster dad for 16 years and the current ranch foreman for Circle of Care. Daniel and wife Saysha live at the Boys' Ranch with their adopted and foster children. Daniel began fostering when he was single, has personally fostered 167 children.

Recently the Moore family has adopted a sibling set of four, has four previously adopted children and is fostering one child, all ranging in age from 4 to 21. Daniel jokes that waking up with babies in the night and potty training are not his forte, but he is passionate about fostering older children.

Teens can experience more long-term trauma, having been in the foster care system longer, oftentimes separated from siblings and having been moved more times than they could count. Moore's oldest son went through five failed adoptions before the age of 14; another son was moved 14 times in three years.

Daniel said those experiences haunt them. His greatest success as a foster parent comes in taking in older children who have no hope left, making a genuine connection with them and watching them blossom with the realization that one person finally cared enough to help them turn their lives around.

"They need a parent just as much as the young ones, just in a different way," said Daniel. "It's imperative to look past behaviors to determine the root issue."

By the time foster teens turn 19, up to 30 percent will have experienced homelessness, only 69 percent will have completed their GED or earned a high school diploma and only half will be employed full or part time. Eight percent will have had a child and seven percent will have been incarcerated. Only three percent will attend college.

"We fail these children," said Moore. "They are not ready to step out and do it. They need someone to teach them to pay bills, get a job and keep it, get their car fixed and budget their money."

"We don't write the roadmap for them; we let them lead," said Moore. "We help them take their first flight out of the nest. We let them fail, dust them back off and then push them back out, helping them find the tools they need to be successful."

The young adults Moore has worked with are now gainfully employed, some getting married or having children, all able to support themselves. If their families are hungry, they know how to find food banks in their community, how to seek out an extra job or how to budget their funds carefully.

When their babies are sick or have a diaper rash, they have someone to call for help. "We know this works," said Moore. "It increases their chances in life tenfold to have this program."

"We make an investment in these youth with our time and unconditional love, and though the return may not come immediately, we frequently hear from past clients when their lives are more stable, 'Thank you. You made a difference in my life.'" Daniel sees that return every day, in his own home and in the lives of many of his former foster children. One of Daniel's former foster sons had a new baby seven years ago, and after a failed attempt to take his new son and wife to meet his biological family, he called Daniel in tears with the wish of giving his son a grandpa to look up to.

"I said, 'bring him home,'" Daniel recalls of his now grandson whom he enjoys keeping from time to time. "He calls me Papa."



2018 Circle of Care Impact Report



6%

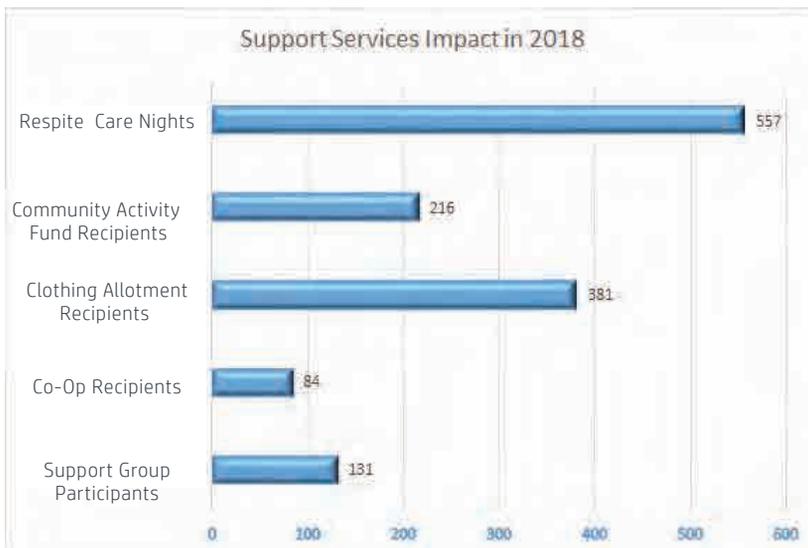
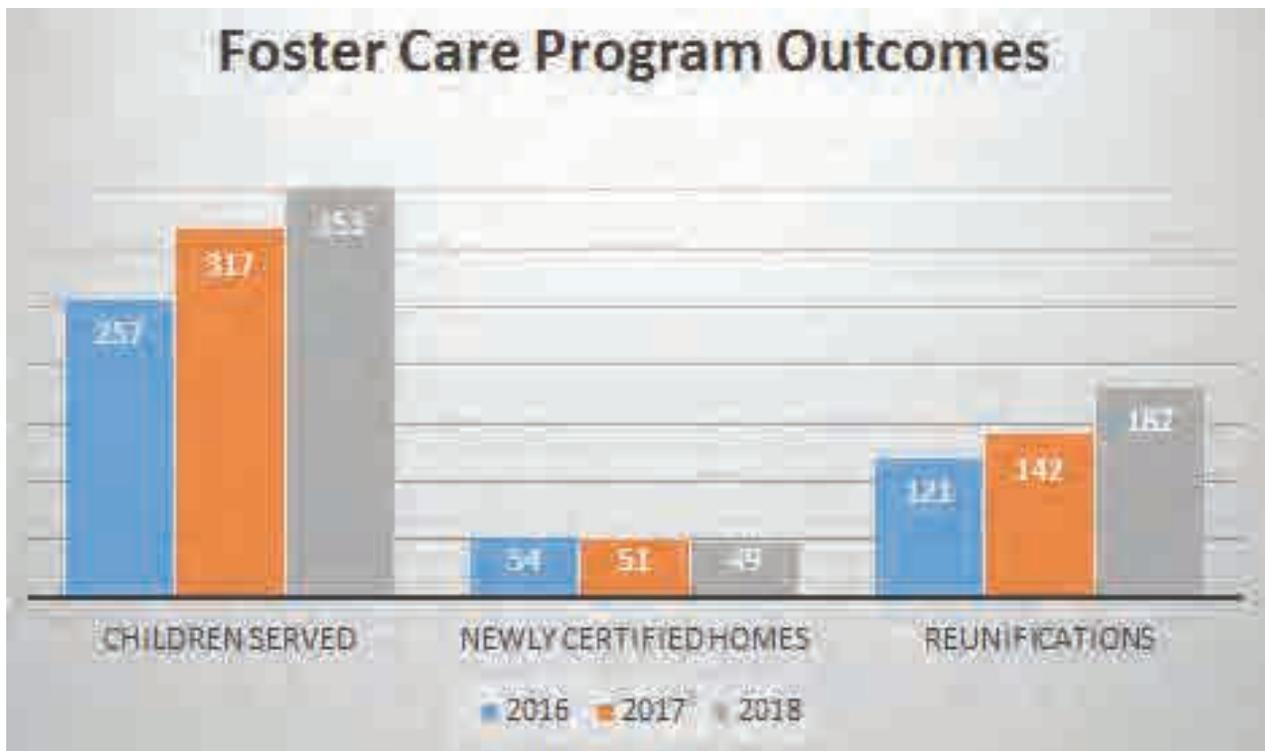
of teens who age out of foster care will graduate from higher education

8,000

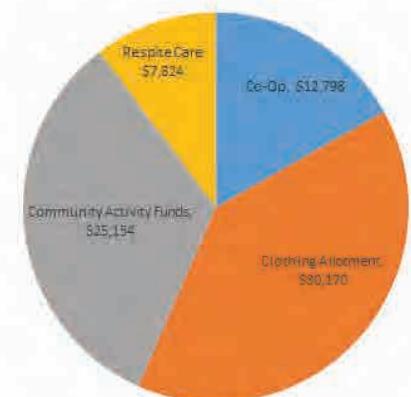
of Oklahoma's teens and children are in foster care.

50%

of homeless mothers do not have a high school diploma



Foster Care Support Services Cost in 2018





Preparation for Adult Living Being a PAL Student

Cody's Story

Cody Robinson is the Pastor at First United Methodist Church in Woodall and was a previous client in the Preparation for Adult Living Program. He was 20 years old when he moved into the Children's Home. He learned about it through the Wesley Foundation at Northeastern State University.

At the time, Cody was an intern at the Wesley Foundation, he didn't have a place to stay. "I was coming out of a bad family situation. And so we got in touch with the Children's Home and they suggested the PAL program."

Cody worked on an undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice while in the PAL program. He has since received his Master's in University Administration and is now in seminary in Tulsa.

"I loved being a student in the PAL program. The staff members were very informative. They were very compassionate and felt like family, like real family. Being a part of a real community was something I really needed."

Cody is currently the Director of Leadership Development at the NSU UM Wesley Foundation and pastor of Woodall United Methodist Church.

He says he joined the Methodist church in 2010-11 as a result of the support he received from the Wesley foundation and Circle of Care. "My experience with them really opened my eyes to what the UMC was doing in the world and I knew I wanted to be a part of it."

Cody feels Circle of Care is a good connectional ministry to give your gifts to because it has helped people like himself grow into what God would have him do. He believes ministry isn't just about preaching. It's about being a family figure for someone, being someone who can support others in those times when they can't find support.

"I owe a great deal of my success to the PAL program. Most individuals don't know everything Circle of Care does for their clients. I would suggest looking at all the good things they are doing and the great things they have been doing."

The United Methodist world view is to care for the widow, the orphan, and the stranger. We have people who are marginalized in every corner of our community. Our United Methodist world view allows us to look at the needs of people, address them, and then build them up so they can go out and serve the world and Circle of Care is a great example of that.

"I know Circle of Care has the vision to reach more and do more for people. I am excited to see where their vision takes them."
– Cody Robinson

Did You Know in Oklahoma...

Approximately 300 youth age out of foster care without family in Oklahoma every year.



Impact



781

Volunteers
donated 10,450
hours valuing
\$225,743

84

Families
utilized the
Co-Op

Received DHS
Community
Partner
Award

4

PAL Students
Graduated
from High School

557

Nights of Respite
Care for Foster
Parents

182

Reunifications
with
biological
families

Report

A photograph of three children sitting on a brick ledge outdoors. On the left, a young boy in a light blue t-shirt with black stars is laughing with his mouth wide open. In the middle, a young girl in a yellow dress with white polka dots is looking down. On the right, a young girl in a light blue denim vest over a white shirt is laughing. They are all smiling and appear to be in a joyful moment.

93%

of Pearl's Hope
women have
jobs

353

Children
served across
the state
in Foster Care

118

Current
Foster
Families

10 women
13 children
served
daily in the
Pearl's Hope
program

164

Welcome
Baskets created
for children and
teens in care

3,000

Facebook
'likes'
achieved

2018 Financial Report

Oklahoma United Methodist Circle of Care, Inc.

Statements of Financial Position

December 31,

	2018	2017
Assets		
Cash	\$ 283,425	\$ 311,224
Accounts and grants receivable	279,554	295,666
Prepaid expenses and other assets	104,018	115,784
Investments	25,486,097	25,947,345
Property and equipment, net	2,253,253	1,223,052
	<u>\$ 28,406,347</u>	<u>\$ 27,893,071</u>
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 83,895	\$ 133,998
Accrued wages and vacation	90,883	94,202
	<u>174,778</u>	<u>228,200</u>
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions	3,826,493	3,695,327
With donor restrictions	24,405,076	23,969,544
Total net assets	<u>28,231,569</u>	<u>27,664,871</u>
	<u>\$ 28,406,347</u>	<u>\$ 27,893,071</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Oklahoma United Methodist Circle of Care, Inc.

Statements of Activities

Years Ended December 31,

	2018	2017
Change in net assets without donor restrictions		
Revenues		
Contributions	\$ 1,714,273	\$ 1,658,317
Apportionment receipts	479,931	508,101
Grants and contracts	1,531,155	1,460,999
Investment return	82,561	905,638
Other	62,330	90,790
Total revenues	<u>3,870,250</u>	<u>4,623,845</u>
Net assets released from restrictions	349,230	473,745
Total revenues and other support	<u>4,219,480</u>	<u>5,097,590</u>
Expenses		
Program services:		
Boy's Ranch	368,993	445,683
Frances E. Willard Ministry Center	596,251	686,581
Children's Home	643,495	704,532
Holsinger Home	49,128	41,004
Child Share	1,220,239	1,060,181
Total program services	<u>2,878,106</u>	<u>2,937,981</u>
Administrative services:		
Management and general	1,051,241	1,028,444
Fundraising	158,967	167,371
Total administrative services	<u>1,210,208</u>	<u>1,195,815</u>
Total expenses	<u>4,088,314</u>	<u>4,133,796</u>
Increase in net assets without donor restrictions	<u>131,166</u>	<u>963,794</u>
Change in net assets with donor restrictions		
Revenues		
Contributions	2,028,013	4,933,842
Investment return	(1,243,251)	1,399,531
Total revenues	<u>784,762</u>	<u>6,333,373</u>
Net assets released from restrictions	(349,230)	(473,745)
Increase in net assets with donor restrictions	<u>435,532</u>	<u>5,859,628</u>
Increase in net assets	566,698	6,823,422
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>27,664,871</u>	<u>20,841,449</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 28,231,569</u>	<u>\$ 27,664,871</u>

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Did You Know in Oklahoma...

84% of the families experiencing homelessness are female-headed





Pearl's Hope Program

Breaking the Cycle

Marteea's Story



Marteea is a twenty-four year old mother in the Pearl's Hope program. Originally from Detroit, Marteea decided to move to Oklahoma with a friend because she knew Detroit wasn't a place she wanted to raise her children.

Marteea was raised solely by her father and was the youngest of three. She has a great relationship with her dad. But she believes she was brought to Tulsa so she could develop a relationship with God.

"Growing up, my dad was great! But he didn't not raise us in church," said Marteea. "I never had a relationship with God before I moved to Tulsa. I wasn't even thinking about God. He wasn't even something that crossed my mind.

Moving to Tulsa was a struggle for Marteea because she did not have the support system she need to be successful. Regardless of not having a support system, Marteea had her faith and knew God would bring amazing people in her life. She knew her first step was to find a long term place to stay because she didn't have one.

"The Pearl's Hope program was a blessing but at the same time it was a hard adjustment for me because I felt like I let my kids down," said Marteea. "When I first started the program it was challenging. I didn't realize the intensity of the program and I was used to being independent."

After changing the outlook on her situation Marteea was able to flourish in the program. "Changing my perspective is what really changed me," said Marteea. "I know I am not here by accident. There are so many women who call and try to get into this program. Everything has worked out in my favor. I am so blessed. I am so thankful. I am so grateful!"

Being around the other women and learning about their past has helped Marteea come to terms with her past.

"When I was little my mother was on drugs and couldn't take care of us," said Marteea. "I don't have many memories of my mom. The ones I do have are bad. When I was little my sister would tell me about her and how she used to be a good mom."

While in the program each mom is expected to attend trauma session. During the sessions they are able to talk about obstacles they have faced in the past and understand how to learn from and overcome recurring hurdles.

"It was really hard to grow up without a mother. I've been able to learn life skills so I can make sure my kids don't grow up without me," said Marteea. "Over the years, I had to teach myself how to be a mom. There was only so much my dad could teach me and being a mom wasn't one of them."

Learning about generational boundaries and trauma was a new experience for Marteea. It was important to her to learn about breaking the cycle of drugs and abuse.

"It happened to my mom. She didn't know how to break the cycle. Her mother did drugs and was abusive," said Marteea. "Those habits didn't stop with my grandma or with my mom because they didn't have the tools or resources they needed. I got the information I needed here. We are taught to understand how the things that happened in our lives can affect us and our child. The cycle didn't break with my mom but it stopped with me."

"Everything I've gone through is now a testimony for someone else to hear," said Marteea. "It's meant to help someone else through their hard time. Even though my situation seem terrible, looking back it really wasn't.

Marteea believes life is really about what you make it.

"God is really growing me up in maturity. No matter what the case may be, the outcome is going to be good," said Marteea. "You have to keep a positive attitude. No situation is going to get better by being negative."



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“Circle of Care has made it really easy to serve those in need. They have already identified young people who really need help. We know that when we do help, everything goes exactly where it is supposed to go.”
-Circle of Care Sponsor

“Fostering has been the craziest, hardest, most intense, completely worthwhile journey we have ever taken. But in the end it has all been worth it!!”
-Circle of Care Foster Family

“Circle of Care has done so many things for me. I would have never been able to do all of this on my own. They make things happen. All of the staff have been really supportive, helpful, and nice. They’ve been through a lot with me. One day I want to repay them.”
-Preparation for Adult Living Client

“My faith is very strong and I believe God led me here. God has everything to do with my life right now. All the girls in the house are like my family. We have grown together so much and encourage each other all the time. I feel like I couldn’t have been this successful without Pearl’s Hope.”
-Pearl’s Hope Client

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