

SHERWOOD CENTER

ANNUAL REPORT 2007-2008



Sherwood Center exists to enable children and adults with autism and related disabilities to maximize their potential in family and community life.



Impacting Lives, One Day At A Time

Since 1974, Sherwood Center has provided a variety of educational, habilitative, residential and outreach programs for individuals with autism and related developmental disabilities. During the 2007-08 program year, special education and adult day services, the agency's core programs, were based at the main facility, located at 7938 Chestnut Avenue in southeast Kansas City. Four group living residences, located in Grandview and Independence, continued to be overseen by the agency until April 2008. The Family Support Program provided in-home therapies, parent training and personal care assistance to families throughout northwestern Missouri.

Ninety percent of Sherwood Center's operating revenue was provided or administered by state agencies. With oversight by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), 12 area school districts contracted for special education and related therapeutic services for 46 students ages 5-21. The Kansas City Regional Office (KCRO) under the auspices of the Department of Mental Health (DMH) administered state Purchase of Service, Medicaid Waiver and First Steps funding for three programs: Adult Day Services, which supported 19 people in daily living, recreational and volunteer activities; residential services for 15 individuals; and the outreach program, which helped over 150 families with in-home services. Additional funding came from United Way and the Combined Federal Campaign (4%), grants, fund raisers and individual giving (2%) and miscellaneous revenue, primarily Maj-R Thrift Discount Stores (4%).

Four distinct, yet interrelated, programs exemplified the agency's mission. As evidenced by positive outcomes achieved on individualized program plans, recipients of all agency services acquired and strengthened skills needed to enjoy a variety of school, home and community settings. Three special education students transitioned back to their neighborhood schools. Adult participants took advantage of numerous on- and off-site volunteer opportunities. Individuals receiving residential services continued to gain independent community living skills while maintaining close ties with family and friends. Children and their families in and around Kansas City, many from rural communities, received supplemental in-home therapy and direct care services to help them make the most of all aspects of family and community life.

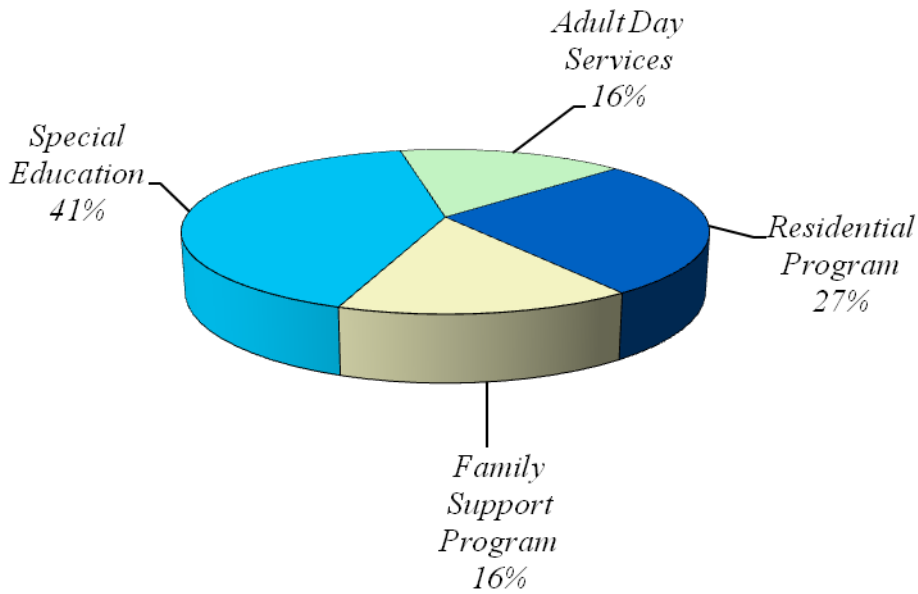
Sherwood Center is governed by a volunteer board of directors. Fourteen members provided essential leadership and expertise to the agency in many areas, including: financial management and oversight; fundraising and community relations; board development; program transition and personnel matters. As part of its focus on long-term strategic planning, the board joined administrative staff in a multi-year commitment to staff training and development. An initial step in this effort included a hands-on training project with Mr. Justin B. Leaf, a behavioral consultant and doctoral candidate at the University of Kansas.

With a strong base of volunteers and interns from area high schools and universities, corporations and federal agencies, and with the support of United Way of Greater Kansas City, Sherwood Center benefited from the generous assistance of more than 500 people. Volunteers assisted with a variety of program and administrative activities, such as classroom support, facility maintenance, construction projects, fundraising events, and clerical tasks.

SHERWOOD CENTER FOR THE EXCEPTIONAL CHILD
2007-08 Fiscal Year Financial Summary

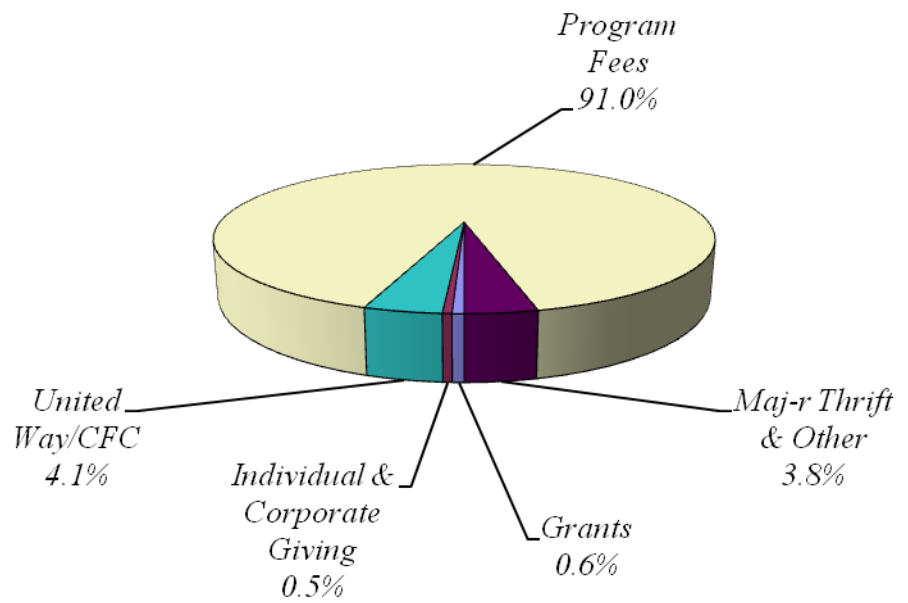
2007-08 Expenses

\$2,674,648



2007-08 Income

\$2,588,435



Staff & Board

Tammy Baker *4 years*
Linda Barnes *14 years*
Steve Barrett *9 years*
Kim Boggness *29 years*
Janice Burt *7 years*
Michele Burris *14 years*
Judy Campbell *31 years*
Elizabeth Cindrigh *21 years*
Valerie Collins *5 years*
Diana DeVaul *7 years*
Robin Eaton *Newbie*
Catherine Elliott *1 year*
Shannon Fletcher *7 years*
Christy Hamment *1 year*
Angel Harkins *5 years*
Niecy Higgins *2 years*
Karen Horn *11 years*
Pat Howard *8 years*
Heather Hutson *1 year*
Liane Jackson *6 years*
Holly Jacobs *9 years*
Elaine Jones *7 years*
Philip Lees *20+ years*
Charita Love *29 years*
Melissa Mickelson *6 years*
Pat Morgan *4 years*

Sandra Orskog

4 years

Roxanne Reese

Newbie

Lyle Roach *20 years*

Julie Serrone *3 years*

Susan Sheeley *20 years*

Nicole Shepherd *5 years*

Susie Stimelsky *20 years*

Cathy Tabiando *1 year*

Linda Warman *29 years*

Marilyn Weber *29 years*

Anita Townsend *4 years*

Nakisha Trainer *3 years*

Tanya Williams *19 years*

2008 Board of Directors

Sue Campbell, President
Jason Ingram, Vice President
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Meredyth Vick, Secretary

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Jim Hoelzel
Tina Graef
Dale Youngs
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Karen Griffin
Howard Barewin
Kevin Page
Jenee Schroeder
Marlena Walley
Joyce Stokes

Executive Director

Deborah L. Wood



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2007-08 YEAR-END BUDGET REPORT

July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

SUPPORT AND REVENUE	AGENCY	Special Education	Adult Day Services	Residential Program	Family Support Program
Individual Donations	10,702	3,015	7,687	0	0
Corporate Donations	2,124	531	1,593	0	0
Grants & Foundations	16,257	4,214	12,043	0	0
Special Events	28,910	7,419	21,491	0	0
United Way	90,970	62,175	28,795	0	0
Combined Federal Campaign	5,434	3,714	1,720	0	0
Donor Choice	11,335	7,747	3,588	0	0
Program Fees	2,394,953	1,153,487	182,937	744,871	313,658
Miscellaneous	99,874	0	85,118	14,756	0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,660,559	\$1,242,302	\$344,972	\$759,627	\$313,658

EXPENDITURES	AGENCY	Special Education	Adult Day Services	Residential Program	Family Support Program
Compensation	1,967,863	810,449	321,692	532,165	303,557
Occupancy	166,349	64,458	16,114	82,487	3,290
Professional Fees & Contract Labor	69,864	47,645	11,911	10,308	0
Program Expenses	264,626	154,493	14,627	78,782	16,724
Office & Miscellaneous	104,714	67,680	16,920	19,405	709
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,573,416	\$1,144,725	\$381,264	\$723,147	\$324,280
Surplus/Deficit	87,143	97,577	(36,292)	36,480	(10,622)

Highlights from 18th Annual Blues & Bar-B-Q Benefit

In spite of the rain and the cooler weather, Sherwood Center raised \$18,300 at the 18th Annual Blues & Bar-B-Q Benefit at BB's Lawn Side Bar-B-Q.

Sherwood Center appreciates the longtime friendship of Lindsay and Jo Shannon, proprietors of BB's Lawn Side Bar-B-Q. Thank you to everyone who is part of this event. The students and participants benefit greatly from the generosity of many people.

Here are a few interesting facts:

- Eleven blues bands donated their time and talent for Sherwood Center's weekend of blues.
- Forty-one corporations and individuals sponsored the 2008 benefit. The Grand Benefactor was Husch Blackwell Sanders.
- About 55 volunteers from Social Security Administration volunteered for the event, and about 12 of them worked more than one shift.
- Sixty-eight volunteers helped with the event in addition to SSA, for a record number of 123 volunteers!
- Kansas City Chiefs tickets were donated by KCFX 101 "The Fox." Sherwood Center sold 174 raffle tickets.
- Black event t-shirts were sold for the first time. At the end of the weekend they were all gone.

