

2016 Annual Report



Child Advocacy Center of the Finger Lakes

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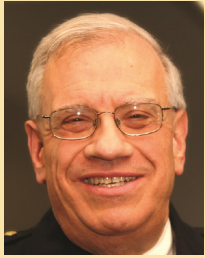
The Mission of the Partnership is to create, support, and administer alliances to cultivate positive social change.

The Vision of the Partnership is an environment where all people are hopeful, engaged, and thriving.

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President's Message

Executive Director's Letter



Philip Povero
President

Partnering to provide community service is one of the most rewarding callings in the world. It is the opportunity for the Partnership to join its colleague agencies and volunteers to tangibly make the community a better place for youth and families. The theme for this year's Annual Report is "partnerships." What better way to start than to recognize the Partnership team who works so hard on behalf of the youth, families and the community. Their integrity, experience and professionalism make the Partnership what it is today, an organization growing and living its vision of an environment where all people are hopeful, engaged and thriving. Please take a moment to review our report that features the Partnership's teams and their respective programs and initiatives. On behalf of the Partnership's Board of Directors, volunteers and program participants, thank you to this dedicated team, our colleague organizations, and those who actively join with us with a passion to serve others. We are honored to partner with you to engage and serve youth for their positive futures.

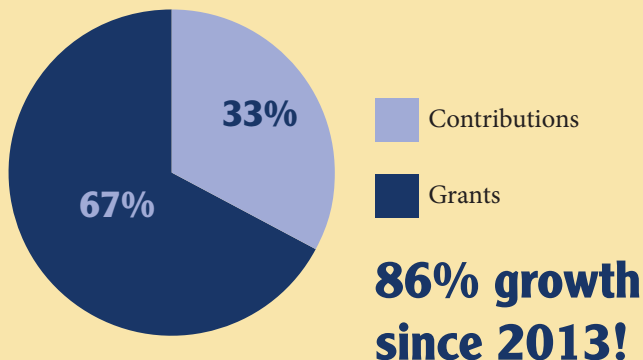
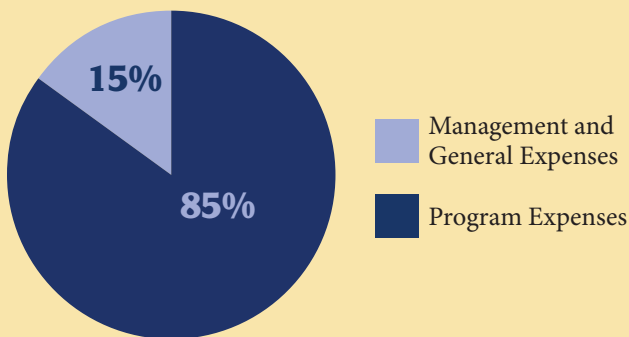


Bonnie Ross
Executive Director

I am especially honored to feature each Partnership team member in this report, and to thank these dedicated professionals, the Board of Directors, volunteers, and our partner agencies for their outstanding services to youth and families. It is with a great sense of purpose that the Partnership provides preventive and supportive services with our highest priority—youth and families. We cannot do this without the support of our partner agencies who share our mission. We are working together and we are learning from one another. We collaborate to share our resources, time, and talent. Please take a moment to reflect on the colorful yarn featured in our report. Each strand is individual, representing a service, partner, colleague, youth or families. The knot ties us all together in a shared purpose to help our youth to a healthy future. As noted in this report, we had outstanding results in 2016. We look forward to 2017, a year to refresh our strategic plan, enhance our services, and our collaborations. The talents, skills and compassion of our teams bring hope to our youth and families. Thank you all for your unwavering dedication.

2016 Financial Report

2016 in Review



Offering Youth Mental Health First Aid classes

Family Support Centers now in Geneva, Canandaigua, Phelps-Clifton Springs & Marcus Whitman schools

New Child Advocacy Center Satellite in Geneva

New medication drop boxes across the County

Holding education and discussion forums and cafes to reduce substance abuse

New Youth Clubhouse in Geneva

Opened first school-based Youth Court program

Supporting initiatives for the homeless

Offering Journey Through Loss Support Group

Serving 22% of County youth under age of 18

Programs & Initiatives

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Family Support Centers & Youth Mental Health First Aid
Deb Holland, Co-Coordinator
Jo Ann Shepard, Co-Coordinator
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Jo Ann Shepard and Deb Holland are co-directors of the Family Support Centers and the Youth Mental Health First Aid program. Jo Ann is a former teacher and educational administrator and Deb has served formerly as the Partnership's Youth Court Director for over 15 years. The **Family Support Centers** provide free prevention and intervention counseling to youth and families in participating Ontario County School Districts. Using a positive outcome model known as Solution Focused Brief Therapy, the counseling sessions address risk factors related to academic performance, school attendance, family functioning, discipline problems and or health related concerns. **Youth Mental Health First Aid** is a national project designed to help adults working with youth to understand the prevalence of various mental health issues and the need to reduce stigma in communities.



Child Advocacy Center Of The Finger Lakes
Jennifer Brownell, Program Director
Summer Jensen, Child Advocacy Specialist
Ashley Davoli, Child Advocacy Specialist & Forensic Interviewer
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Jennifer Brownell has worked in non-profit management for many years, currently serving as the Director of the **Child Advocacy Center**. The team includes Ashley Davoli who has years of experience working in the field of trauma and child abuse; and Summer Jensen who has a background in public administration with not-for-profits. Both provide support and advocacy services to families and youth in Ontario County. The Child Advocacy Center is a child-friendly location where allegations of physical or sexual abuse are responded to by a multidisciplinary team of professionals. From the time of the report through the end of the case, the team works together to conduct a thorough investigation and provide necessary support services to children and their non-offending caregivers.



Ontario County Youth Court
Yvonne Vazquez, Program Director
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Yvonne Vazquez, Program Director for **Ontario County Youth Court**, has many years of experience working with families as a former Ontario County family resource educator. Youth Court serves two populations: Our youth court members ages 14-17 assume roles of judge, prosecutor, defense counsel, clerk/bailiff, foreperson and jury in the court. Our offenders ages 10-17 appear before a court of their peers and have the opportunity to take responsibility for their actions and repair the harm they've done. Youth Court is a voluntary alternative to traditional juvenile justice and an alternative to school violations that may result in suspension.



Youth Clubhouse
Kelli Gage, Program Director
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Kelli Gage, Director of **Youth Clubhouse**, has several years of experience working in the non-profit sector and has provided program oversight and development throughout her career. The Youth Clubhouse is a safe and welcoming gathering place for youth ages 12-17. Located at the Geneva Community Center, the clubhouse utilizes our community resources for opportunities that engage youth and support recovery. Youth are encouraged to bring their thoughts and ideas to the table to help build the options that would be most supportive to their goals, with an emphasis on skill-building, education, leisure, information, career building and recovery. Clubhouse members have both shared ownership and shared responsibility for the groups' success.



Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County
Petrea Rae, Coalition Coordinator
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Petrea Rae, Coalition Coordinator, has worked in higher education, youth services and community engagement in the Buffalo and Binghamton areas over the last 16 years. As Coalition Coordinator of the **Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County**, Petrea facilitates the prevention coalition to implement strategies addressing substance abuse in our community. Prevention efforts are underway around heroin and prescription drug abuse including raising awareness to monitor, secure and dispose of unwanted, unused and expired medication. Additionally, forums and cafes are being conducted to provide community education on the risk of prescriptions drug and heroin abuse. The prevention coalition brings together members from all facets of the community to create positive, community wide change related to substance abuse.



With Youth For Youth
(585) 396-4554
facebook.com/WithYouthForYouth/

With Youth For Youth is an initiative of Ontario County communities working collaboratively with youth for youth. Youth and adults work together to ensure youth participation in and the development of community activities in which youth are involved.

Programs & Initiatives continued

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Nowhere to Go Volunteer Initiative
[facebook.com/NowheretoGOCA](https://www.facebook.com/NowheretoGOCA)

The Partnership serves as a volunteer support for **Nowhere to Go**, an initiative to address the needs of homeless and at-risk individuals and families in Ontario County. This team has conducted point-in-time and food cupboard surveys to assess the number of homeless in the community. It has provided clothing, necessity items and shelter in the harsh winter months to those in need.



Partnership Administration
 Abby Rice, Office Manager
 Nancy McAllister, Bookkeeper
 Katie Harris, Former Office Manager
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Abby Rice serves as the Partnership's Office Manager. She is a 2016 graduate of Gettysburg College, with a degree in Vocal Performance. Abby ensures excellent customer service, office support and a positive environment for the Partnership. We are proud of and send a sincere "thank you" to Katie Harris, who was the former Office Manager and is now pursuing her dream of becoming an RN. Nancy McAllister serves as the Partnership's Bookkeeper. She holds an Associate and Applied Science degree in Business Administration from Finger Lakes Community College. Nancy's experience and expertise ensures the sound documentation and reporting of the finances for the organization.



Volunteer Support
 Becca Rice, Volunteer
 McKenna Bluett, Volunteer

The Partnership is grateful for the dedication and support of our many volunteers, two of whom have provided outstanding office support this past year. Becca Rice is a senior at Wheaton College in Wheaton, Illinois majoring in music performance. McKenna Bluett is a junior at Canandaigua Academy and is a soccer enthusiast. Thank you, Becca and McKenna, for sharing your talents with the Partnership!



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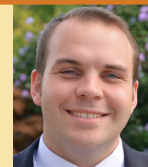
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Rev. David Seeley

The Partnership is grateful for the dedicated support and service of the above Board Members who stepped down from service in 2015-2016.