

Rising Through Challenge

2020 Annual Report



Dearest Friends of the Day Home,

This past year challenged us to learn more about the needs of others and respond with even greater integrity and grace. The resources and encouragement that you, as part of our community, generously offered made it possible to address unprecedented challenges for our families, their children, and our staff.

And now it is spring. Nature is showing off. Vaccines have arrived. Children everywhere are going back to school. It seems almost inappropriate to recount the past, yet it was such an important year to remember.

Childrens’ lives changed overnight when access to play, learning, and in some cases, essential items was disrupted. Their families were instantly destabilized when child care and schools closed, and jobs became the front lines for healthcare and essential workers bearing the brunt of the pandemic. America’s deepest economic and racial inequalities were challenged as generations came together demanding the end to systemic racism and police violence.

We held this all heavily in our hearts as the Day Home reopened to provide the greatest stability for our families. Our teachers and staff were heroic with their ingenuity, adaptability, and courage. Even further, they committed to ensure that the Day Home was on the right side of history actively working to eliminate bias and promote anti-racist education for our youngest learners.

In the following pages, we take one last moment to celebrate the ways that, as a community, we grew in the midst of unprecedented challenges. There is no end to the appreciation we feel for you, our families, our community partners, and our Day Home team. The children’s joy and meeting families’ needs made it all worth it.

We are here because of you.

With our deepest gratitude and respect,

Vivian O’Neal
President,
SVDH Board of Directors

Kate Shaheed
Executive Director

Kate Shaheed, Executive Director (left) & Vivian O’Neal, Board Chair (right)





JANUARY

Business as usual with 210 children actively playing, learning and exploring with friends.



MARCH

Following California's mandated shut down, SVDH closes its doors for the first time since opening in 1911.



MAY

We launched our Home Distance Learning Program to ensure that our children continued receiving developmental support.

JAN 2020

FEB 2020

MAR 2020

APR 2020

MAY 2020

JUN 2020



FEBRUARY

We honored our diverse cultural heritage with the annual Multicultural Celebration and new curriculum enhancements.



APRIL

To help offset the challenges COVID-19 placed on our families, we came together as a community and provided grocery gift cards, food and learning materials.



JUNE

SVDH proudly takes a stance against the racial injustices of this country through a public solidarity letter addressed to our community.



JULY

After a 3-month hiatus, the Day Home reopens its doors with limited capacity for 112 children, helping parents return to work.



SEPTEMBER

To better understand the challenges COVID-19 placed on our community, we surveyed our families and produced a Needs Assessment Report which identified their top concerns and directed our response and our solution(s).



NOVEMBER

As a continuation of our movement towards social justice and equity in the workplace, the staff partake in the first of five anti-bias trainings.

JUL 2020

AUG 2020

SEP 2020

OCT 2020

NOV 2020

DEC 2020



AUGUST

SVDH streams its first ever Facebook and Instagram Live Tour, giving supporters the opportunity to visit virtually.



OCTOBER

Our first ever "virtual" Brunch & Open House gave supporters a unique perspective and experience of the Day Home's history and programs.



DECEMBER

Holiday Gift Drive with contactless drop offs and online shopping raises \$61,500 in gifts for 145 families!



RETURNING TO SCHOOL
A BRIGHT LIGHT DURING THE PANDEMIC

When the Day Home closed in March, my wife and I were suddenly balancing the energy of three children while trying to work from home. It was a very difficult time sorting out a new daily routine. Like most families, we were feeling the pressure of being isolated at home, and it was overwhelming to rearrange our lives not knowing when we could get back to our conventional schedules.

While our 4-year-old twin girls and our 5-year-old son had each other to play with — they had no teachers and desperately missed school. Ethan was sad to miss the Move-a-Thon day and the girls missed the family literacy fair and storytime. They must have asked a thousand times when they could go back to school.

They were so excited to return in July. The children reconnected with friends instantly, work became a lot easier for us, and our neighbors stopped complaining about the noise and stomping feet coming from our apartment.

Throughout these difficulties, the Day Home was instrumental in supporting our family. We cannot express enough how much gratitude we have for Saint Vincent's Day Home.

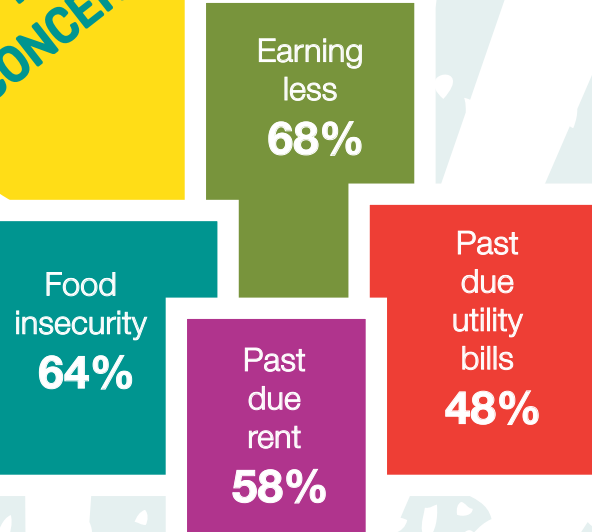
Our kids have been at Saint Vincent's Day Home since they were two years old, and we could not be happier with their growth. When we drop them off, we know they are in a safe and nurturing environment where the teachers deeply care for them. Our children have learned kindness and empathy. They have learned so much through their projects and developed a love for books.

We consider Saint Vincent's Day Home as a gift for us and are thankful to have had their help during this pandemic.

THE PANDEMIC'S IMPACT

Foundations, businesses, and a community of concerned individuals rallied to support Day Home families impacted by the pandemic. At the end of summer, a needs assessment showed the depth of economic injury to our families. We were grateful to have been able to help in any way — something made possible only through private support from our donors and partners.

TOP CONCERNS



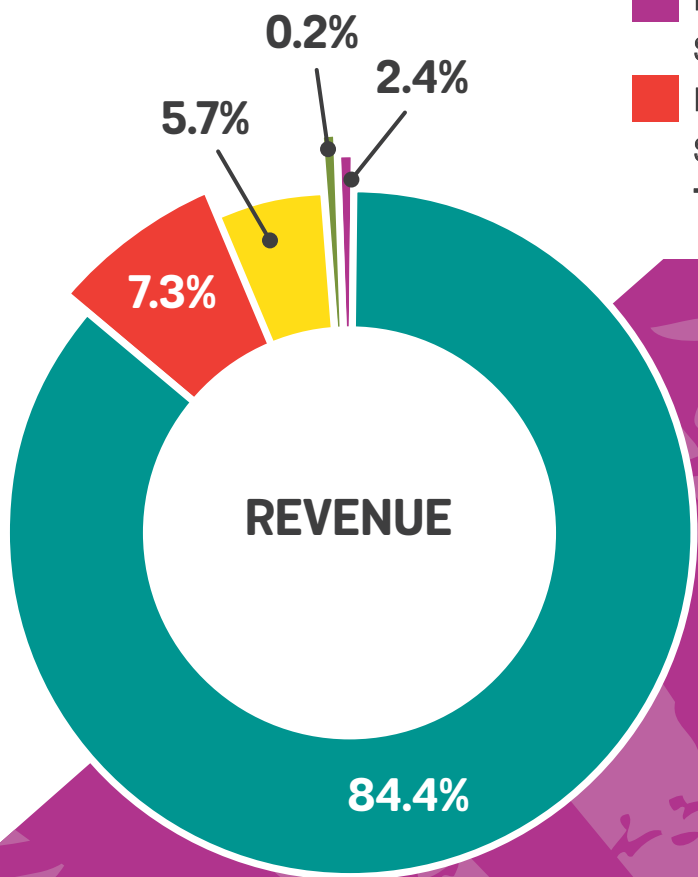
THE DAY HOME'S RESPONSE



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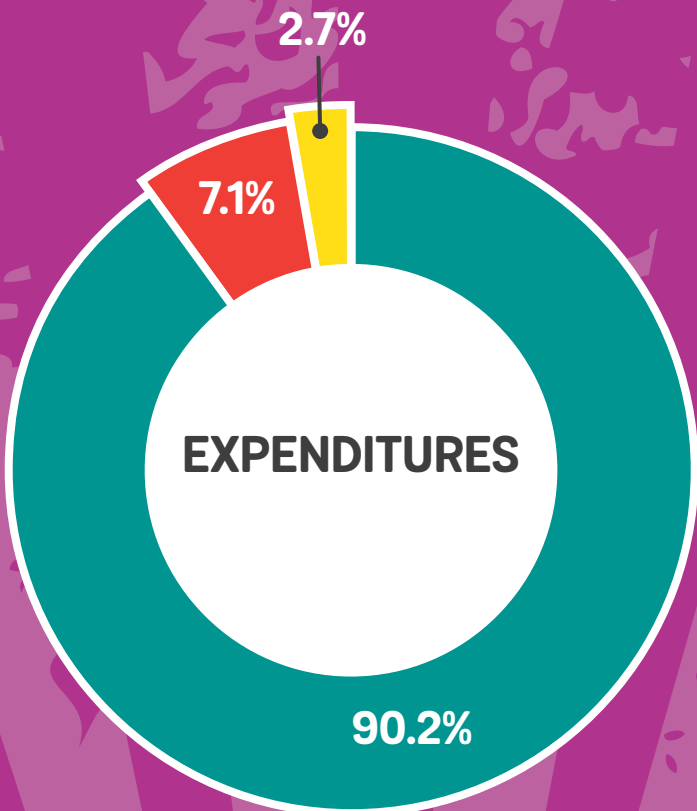


\$81,564
In-Kind Gifts
to Families



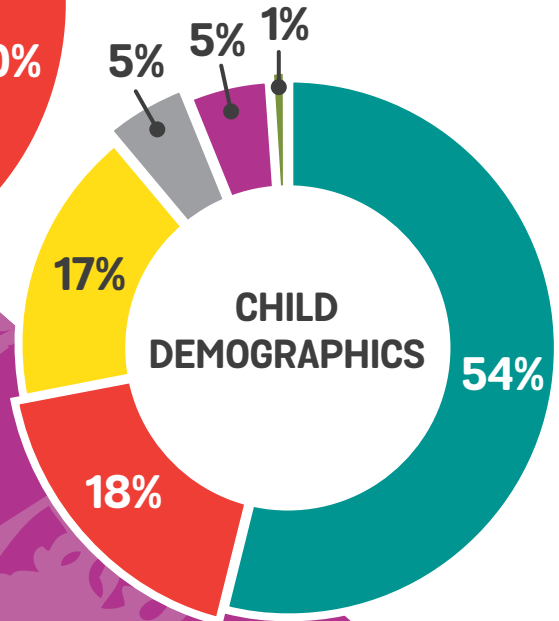
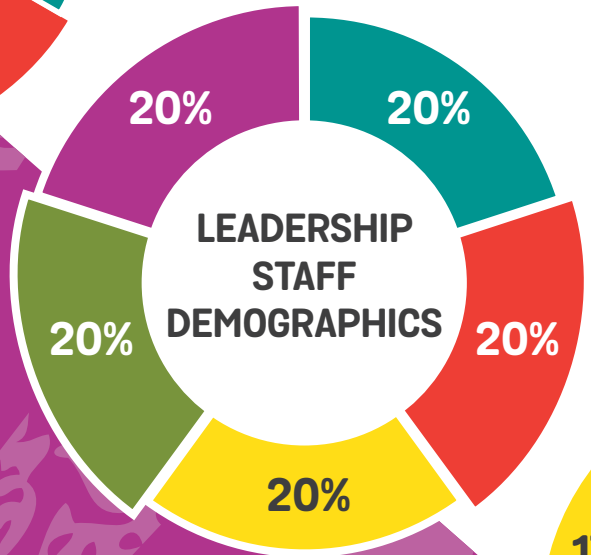
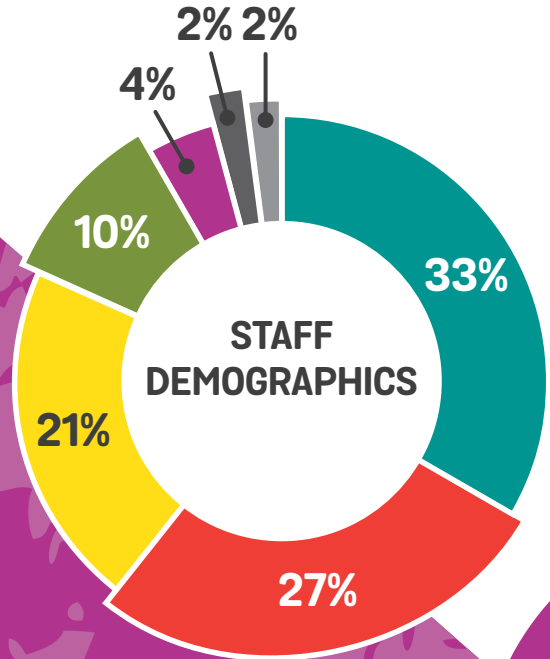
REVENUE

Government Contracts	\$3,777,738
Parent Fundraisers	\$7,816
Grants	\$254,750
Individual Donations	\$108,823
Estate Gifts	\$324,680
TOTAL: \$4,473,807 *	



EXPENDITURES

Program Expenses	\$4,064,764
Fundraising	\$122,723
Administration	\$317,786
TOTAL: \$4,505,273	



KEY

Black or African American
Asian
Hispanic or Latinx
White
Biracial
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
Middle Eastern

* Total operating revenue. Figure excludes an unrealized loss on investments of \$280,698. To view our 2019–20 financial statement in full, please refer to page 12 of our independent audit report at svdh.org/reports

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Thank you to our generous donors, volunteers, and corporate partners who donated to Saint Vincent's Day Home between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.

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