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REPORT



BLUE SKY BRIDGE
Child Abuse Intervention & Education

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Blue Sky Bridge values:

- Kids first
- Strive for excellence
- Honor wellness
- Healthy human interactions
- All are welcome and included



Blue Sky Bridge fosters safe communities, healing, and justice to end child abuse.

Dear Friends of Blue Sky Bridge,

These days, it can be difficult to see positivity in the world. This report celebrates humans doing heroic work every day despite ongoing challenges in the world and here in Boulder County. Our staff and partners - investigators, caseworkers, advocates, interviewers, therapists, prosecutors, and more – work every day to help children experiencing trauma. Amazing children speak up, share their stories and work through their trauma. Supportive family members provide a safe space for these young people and learn how to be present for them. Blue Sky Bridge prevention educators and volunteers work with thousands of teachers, parents, and elementary students, helping children avoid unsafe situations and find a safe way out if someone breaks their touching rules.

In this fiscal year, we had 31% more forensic interviews than last year. We took 47% more crisis calls from community members. In partnership with Boulder Community Health, we performed nearly three times more medical exams. And our therapists had more clients than ever. Our school-based outreach program was in more schools and reached 33% more students than ever – more than 5,000 students in the last school year! At the same time, we placed a renewed focus on diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging and on workplace culture, leaning into our values in everything we do.

Thanks to you, we ended the year in a positive financial position. Even though we continued to pivot to keep our fundraising events safe, you continued to show up for us.

We are busier than we have ever been before, and dealing with more complex mental health issues than at any other time in our nearly three decades of operations. Kids are struggling, their parents and caregivers are struggling; and we are working double-time to help them find solid footing – and begin to find their way toward healing and recovering.

Thank you for continuing to partner with Blue Sky Bridge as we do this essential work, striving to give children renewed hope and a better future.

In Gratitude,
Gina Maione Earles
Executive Director



IMPACT

Forensic Interviewing & Family Support

It used to be that a child would have to tell their story of abuse over and over to potentially more than a dozen school officials, police officers, doctors, attorneys, and social workers. Today, a child and their family is able to come to one place, our place.

By providing a centrally-located, child-focused facility and a coordinated response by all investigative agencies, we are proactive in our approach to helping families during child abuse investigations. We provide immediate intervention, forensic interviews, crisis intervention counseling, medical exams, family support, and follow-up services to child victims and non-offending family members.

Medical Program

Through a partnership with Boulder Community Health, children coming to Blue Sky Bridge are now able to receive an on-site medical examination. The purpose of the examination is to assess whether the child may need further medical attention, provide an opportunity to collect evidence if possible, and to promote healing and safety.



294
forensic interviews
conducted



284
caregivers received
support

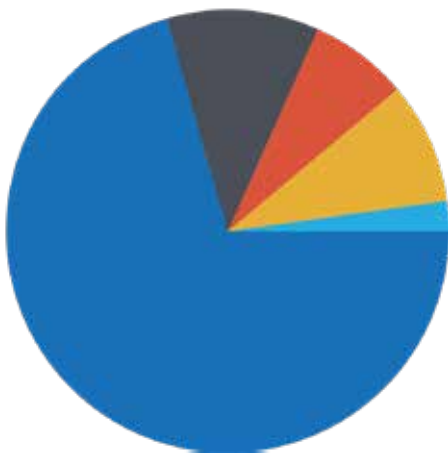


206
crisis calls answered
from the community



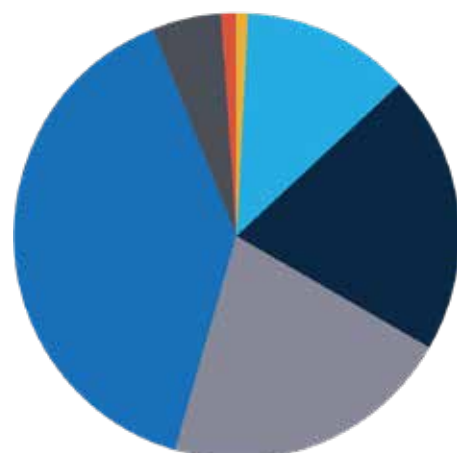
23
medical exams
conducted with BCH

TYPE OF PRIMARY ABUSE



70% Sexual Abuse
11% Physical Abuse
10% Other
7% Domestic
Violence Witness
2% Child on Child

SERVICES BY AGE (IN YEARS)



1% 0-2
12% 3-5
20% 6-9
21% 10-12
39% 13-16
5% 17-18
2% Adults

Therapy

Early intervention of mental health services is crucial to the healing process and the long-term health of child victims of abuse. Treatment is designed to reduce negative emotional and behavioral responses and Post-Traumatic Stress symptoms after a traumatic incident. We offer two therapy modalities, Trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) and Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR), for children aged four to 17 who have experienced a traumatic event.

We offer therapy in both English and Spanish, and clients can receive services in-person in our Boulder or Longmont offices as well as tele-mental health.



primary therapy clients



secondary therapy clients



therapy graduations

Education & Outreach

Blue Sky Bridge believes that education is a tool for preventing child abuse. Our school program utilizes a three-tiered holistic approach that includes a presentation with tips and resources for parents, training for school personnel, and developmentally age appropriate presentations for kindergarten, 3rd, and 5th grade students.

We believe it is the responsibility of adults to keep children safe and are committed to helping adults learn how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. We offer a range of trainings and outreach opportunities throughout the year to serve our partners and community members. Our two most popular community trainings are Stewards of Children® and Nurturing Healthy Sexual Development.



pre-k through 5th grade kids served



classrooms

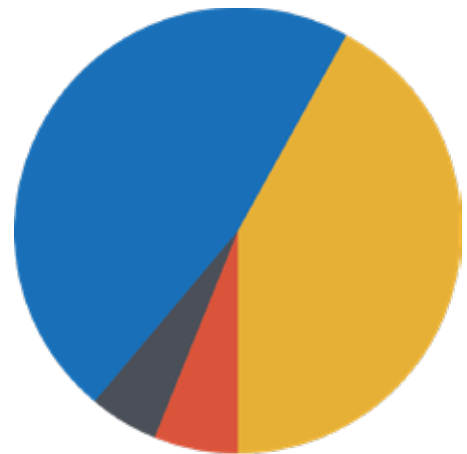


school staff & parents trained



schools in BVSD & SVVSD

2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR



47% 3rd Grade

42% Kindergarten

6% Other

5% 5th Grade

FINANCIALS

Fiscal Year 2022: April 1, 2021 - March 31, 2022

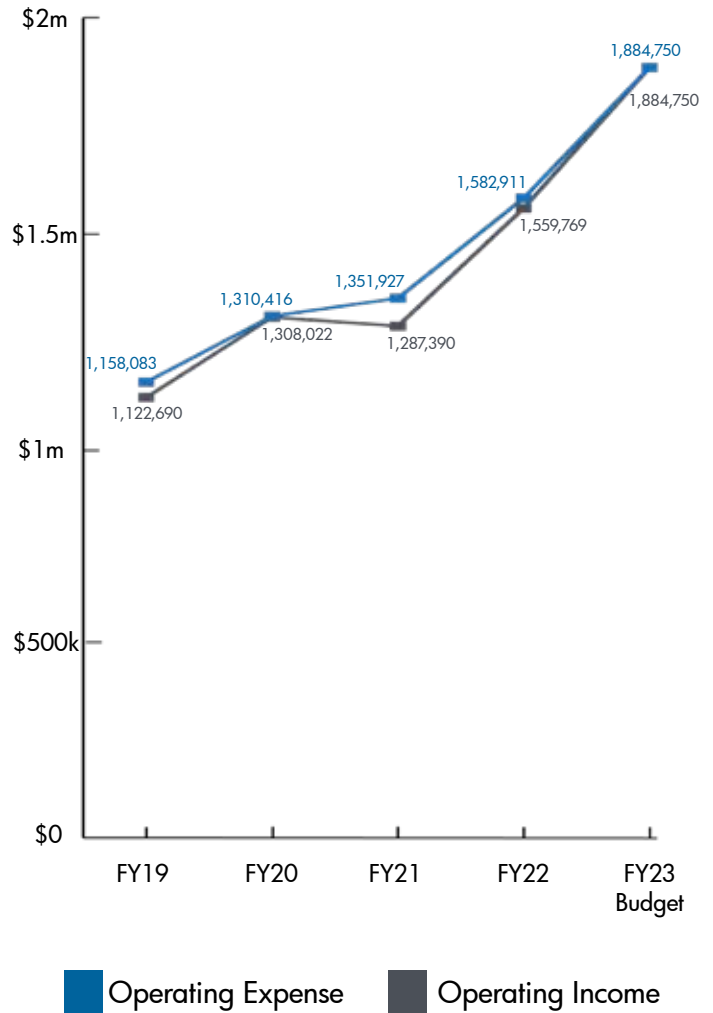
Of Total Operating
Income in FY22:
\$1,582,911



Of Total Operating
Expenses in FY22:
\$1,559,769



Income vs Expense



- Other
- Foundation Support
- Events
- Individual Donors
- Government Grants
- Fundraising & Administration
- Therapy
- Education & Outreach
- Forensic Interviewing, Family Support, & Medical

Statement of Financial Position as of 3/31/22

Current Assets	\$870,161
Fixed Assets	\$1,801,109
Endowment	\$223,378
Total Assets	\$2,894,648

Current Liabilities	\$70,549
Restricted Net Assets	\$728,681
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$2,095,418
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$2,894,648

CELEBRATED 25 YEARS

On Saturday, September 18, 2021, A Singular Feast celebrated our belated 25th anniversary. Guests were welcomed to the home of Judy & Charles Goldman for a night of fantastic food, drinks, live music, and socializing to support Blue Sky Bridge. Thank you to Chef Becca Henry, Jax Fish House, Pizzeria Locale, Whistling Boar, and Shamane's Bakery for the incredible cuisine. The evening's signature cocktail was created by Wood's High Mountain Distillery; wine was provided by Boulder Wine Merchant. Live music by the Boulder B-Sides and Carly Mandell. Photography donated by Lisa Doane Photography.



A SINGULAR FEAST SPONSORS

Gold Palate \$10,000+
The Budacz Family
Judy & Charles Goldman
Andria & Burt Lewis

Joy of Cooking \$5,000+
Suzanne Baird & Terri Benjamin
Jen Jones & Rob Cohen
Annette & Tom Kissinger
Tess Roering & Nathan Dopp
Stapp Interstate Toyota
The Mary & Tim Wolf Family Foundation

Boulder Gourmet \$3,000+
Judy Toran Cousin & Andrew Cousin

Michelle & Tom Gallop
Melton Design Build
Alice Messinger
Peak Asset Management

Epicurean \$1,500+
Altitude Integrations
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Celestial Seasonings
Susan Coit & Sara Horn
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Great Western Bank
Kristin Kalush & Dave Rich
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Victoria & Michael McCarthy

Cheri & Andrew Miller
Mosaic Architects and Interiors
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Tebo Properties
Josie & Dave Welling
Sabra & Dave Willner
Wong Orthodontics

Host Committee \$2,000
Amy & Terry Britton
Amy & Steve Carpenter
Alli Gerrish
Ellen Greenhouse & Lester Wall
Andria & Burt Lewis
Scott Lynn
EJ Meade

Joanne O'Shell & Neal Feagans

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