

Saving Lives, Changing Lives and Building Hope for Children and Families

Spring 2016

Ettie Lee's fully accredited, restorative programs serving at-risk, abused, abandoned and neglected children, youth and their families:

- Foster Family/Adoption Agency (in a network of 40 loving foster homes)
- Intensive Treatment Foster Care (ITFC)
- Nurturing, Caring Group Homes (6) for Youth (ages 10-21)
- Mental Health Services
- State Certified Substance Use Disorder Services
- Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS)
- After-Care Services
- Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment
- Transitional Housing
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The Maldonado's made their first connection with Ettie Lee Youth & Family Services in March of 2013. They came to our Foster Family Agency with the desire to help foster youth and hopefully through fostering, adopt a child. The family was certified on May 13, 2013 and very soon after on June 12, 2013 at 11:00 p.m. a little girl—only 6 months old—was matched with the Maldonado family. The night she was placed, social workers arrived at Milah's House. When she was awoken by the social workers Milah and placed in a car seat she instantly cried—she was scared and confused. Placed in the Maldonado's tight arms, they too shared some tears with Milah and knew they would never let her go. It has been a journey for Milah. Happily, Milah found a home that completely met all of her medical, physical and developmental needs. When asked about the feelings they felt when their adoption was finalized, the Maldonado's have described it as overwhelmingly happy, relieved and complete. Milah was adopted on June 8, 2015 and the family celebrated her adoption with a special passage, "At first she stole our hearts and now she takes our last name."



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On Their A-Game

Young men receiving services at Ettie Lee Youth & Family Services Drug and Alcohol program are on their A-Game with a fitness/nutrition program provided by A-Game Fitness! The personal trainer and equipment was made possible by a generous donor! And, the young men are improving more than their physical appearance as you will see when you read what some of the young men said recently about their training:



is showing us that we don't have to use profanity—he is showing us a normal dialogue how to talk to each other, encourage each other, support each other, be a cheerleader for each other, regardless of current situation being in placement and away from our families. While we work out, our personal trainer is also helping us learn about each other and our cultural differences so that we learn how to talk and treat each other with respect. And, it's fun too!

WP: Our personal trainer takes the time to teach properly with real life reasons to workout regardless if we have equipment or not! But Ettie Lee youth and family services hooked us up!

DP: The trainer knew I could pull myself up that last time when I was trying to do a pull up and he stood right there and help me he didn't mind holding me up and I appreciate that. Wish everybody could hold people up when they say they're going to fall.

RT: It's hard being in a Group home, not everybody plays basketball, soccer or football. Some of us are just trying to let go of some of our anger so the workouts help us. We really push ourselves and he teaches us breathing techniques too.

JF: I do weight training at school but that's not all I want to do. I want to build up my body and build up my arms and my legs because I'm so tall and thin and our trainer is helping me do that with the right kind of exercises that he gives us to do.

JS: Thanks for getting us a personal trainer...never could I imagine me working with a personal trainer. Ettie Lee promotes mind, body and spirit by giving us this opportunity.

DS: Our trainer is really super cool. He doesn't look at us like we're nothing he respects us and he's teaching us how to communicate together as young men. He

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Holiday Heroes

Each year we are so grateful to organizations and individuals like Kriste Bennett for their incredible generosity during the holiday season! You make the holidays so very special for all the children and youth that we serve.



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Erin Caldwell (center) with Ettie Lee's Director of Development Vicki Mastro (l) and Child Care worker Francisca A. (r) at our Fontana Home.



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Every Picture Tells A Story



Jean Arnott, Robertson's Home Sponsor (center) is pictured with Terri Varum, Ettie Lee's President and CEO (right) and Monica Zollinger at a recent visit to the Robertson Home.



Some of Ettie Lee's Administrative Staff celebrating Director of Administration Kathy Stannard's (front and center) completion of her MBA.



The LADWP generously supports Ettie Lee Youth & Family Services.



Ettie Lee attended the annual ACHSA luncheon at the Biltmore Hotel. Pictured are (l to r sitting) Leyla Rasooli, Melanie Beck, Karen Turner, Sean Cain, Kathy Stannard, and (l to r standing) Vicki Mastro, Sylvia Martina and Karen Cash.



2015 Covina's Operation Gobble! Pictured are (l to r) Assembly-member Roger Hernandez, Vicki Mastro, Ettie Lee's Director of Development, and Kim Raney, Chief of the Covina Police Department.



Job Fair-Young men from our Fontana Home attended a job fair.



All of the children had wishes for Santa at our Foster Family Holiday Party.



Youth from Ettie Lee participated as volunteers at the Special Olympics when they were in town.



Young men who are served at Ettie Lee's Drug and Alcohol program participated in a mural painting that was lead by David Walega and Arts for Animals Sake.

Statement of Financial Position

Assets	2015	2014
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 631,175	234,405
Accounts receivable – net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$50,000	1,650,590	1,547,938
Prepaid expenses	174,809	204,160
Total current assets	2,456,574	1,986,503
Non-current assets		
Investments (Note 3)	308,813	323,830
Property and equipment (Note 5)	392,992	339,921
Total non-current assets	701,805	663,751
Total assets	\$ 3,158,379	2,650,254
Liabilities and net assets		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 189,690	228,197
Accrued payroll	185,482	168,400
Accrued vacation	198,985	167,180
Other accrued expenses		
Accrued unemployment liability (Note 6)	29,247	26,972
Deferred revenue	2,100,181	1,452,839
Current portion of note payable	29,940	12,432
Total Current Liabilities	2,733,525	2,056,020
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term portion of note payable	82,999	48,669
Total liabilities	2,816,524	2,104,689
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	211,372	404,606
Unrestricted – board designated (Note 2)	50,000	50,000
Temporarily restricted (Note 9)	61,744	72,220
Permanently restricted (Note 10)	18,739	18,739
Total net assets	341,855	718,267
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 3,158,379	2,650,254

Statement of Activities

Revenue and Support		
Fees from government agencies (Note 10)	\$ 7,375,955	5,942,063
Contributions	521,880	342,134
Other Income	10,694	10,761
Interest and dividends	4,670	7,006
Net assets released from capital restrictions		
Net assets released from program restrictions		
Total revenue and support	7,899,046	6,385,931
Expenses		
Program services	7,247,596	5,701,824
Support services	708,374	708,857
Fund development	146,786	147,952
Total expenses	8,102,756	6,558,633
Change in net assets before other changes	(172,702)	(883,376)
Other changes		
Gain on sale of property and equipment		2,237
Total other changes		2,237
Change in net assets	(203,710)	(172,702)
Net assets, beginning of year	545,565	718,267
Net assets, end of year	\$ 341,855	545,565



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There are many ways that you can support the children and families of Ettie Lee Youth & Family Services' group homes and foster homes. Whether it's a financial gift or a gift of time or your talent, please call the development department so we can help match your idea with the needs of the children and families we serve.

Also the following are items that are always needed:

- Toiletries of any kind: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, shower gels, soaps, perfume and cologne, towels and lotions
- Hairdressing items: gel, brushes, combs, hair ties, headbands
- Clothing: grey short-sleeved t-shirts, ankle socks, polo shirts with collars, athletic shoes
- Bedding: twin bed sheets, pillow cases and comforters
- Art Supplies: canvases, sketchbooks, watercolors, charcoal, colored pencils, construction paper, and paints
- School supplies: backpacks, notebooks, pencils, crayons, rulers, binders, white out, stick glue
- Tickets: movies, sport events, plays, amusement parks
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