

Annual Report

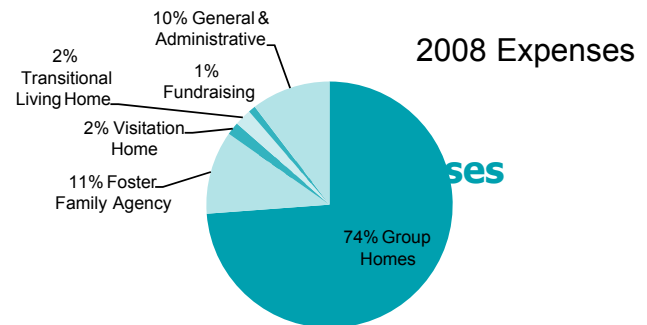
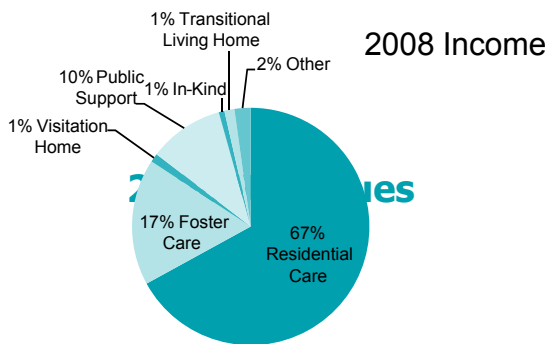


In 2008 we worked with over 175 children and youth in all of our programs, which includes three Therapeutic Residential Group Homes, Therapeutic Foster Care, Adoption, Transitional Living, and a Bonding Home. We have 50 full-time and 10 part-time employees, 8 board members, a budget of \$2.7 Million, 40 volunteers, 18 foster parents, and an incredible army of prayer warriors. Together we are staying focused on our mission: ***“To assist vulnerable young people and their families in rebuilding their lives through caring relationships and opportunities to grow mentally, physically, socially, and spiritually by living in a safe and healthy home.”*** We continue to see growth and development in our kids as they make positive changes in their lives every day. I hear from VTR Alumni every week. They are working, going to school, being parents, and making good choices.

Every day I read something from the Bible, something from the newspaper, and something from my computer. Today’s Bible verse is I Samuel 12:24, “But be sure to fear the Lord and serve Him faithfully with all your heart, consider what great things He has done for you.” That’s a promise, a challenge, a blessing, and a command that I can stand on! The headlines in the newspaper include \$790 Billion Economic stimulus bill, tax payers cover octuplet and mom costs, Favre retires ... again, A-Rod or A-Fraud, government cuts services and raises taxes, we need rain ... someone lied, someone cheated, someone died, etc. That is temporary, depressing, and totally out of my control. Where do I go for peace, contentment, purpose, and fulfillment? Not to the media, the government, my horoscope, Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Edition, or Botox, that’s for sure! I believe following, trusting, and obeying God; the Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace is the ONLY way to go. I wonder about many uncertainties in the days and months ahead but I choose to believe that God will continue to provide the resources we need to continue our work. I just have to be faithful, serve Him with my heart, and thank Him for His answers to our prayers.

As you can see from the pie charts and statistics below, we are using our resources wisely, helping more kids, and accomplishing our purpose. When we do that there is great fulfillment, hope, and blessings. We are encouraged even though we don’t know how the future will look. We do know WHO holds the future for us.

Thanks for your continued support. We need it more now than ever before.



This year we had the following children and youth outcomes in our agency:

2008 Totals

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| Group Home Admissions | 55 |
| Group Home Graduates | 19 |
| Foster Family Agency Admissions | 13 |
| Adoptions | 8 |
| Total Admissions | 68 |

21 Year Totals

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| Group Home Admissions | 875 |
| Group Home Graduates | 246 |
| Foster Family Agency Admissions | 441 |
| Adoptions | 72 |
| Total Admissions | 1316 |

Our accomplishments include:

- Boys’ Academics Improved by 75%
- Increased Counties Placing by 8
- All 4 State Licenses are Excellent
- Met our Budget and had a Clean Audit
- 35% Successful Completion at the Group Home

Goals for the future:

- More HS Graduations, Honor Roll , & College Admits
- Recruit & Train More Foster & Adoption Parents
- Expand Vocational Training Program at the Ranch
- Expand Donor Base by 100
- Continue Development of Organic Farming Project
- Write More Grants to Foundations