

Connie's Corner / Annual Report



We have successfully completed our 17th year of operation at Valley Teen Ranch, Inc. Our mission is to *assist troubled young people and their families in rebuilding their lives through caring relationships and opportunities to grow mentally, physically, socially and spiritually.*

We are fulfilling our mission 24-7, working with the kids from Fresno, Madera, Kings, Merced, Mariposa and Tulare Counties as we care for over 100 children and youth daily.

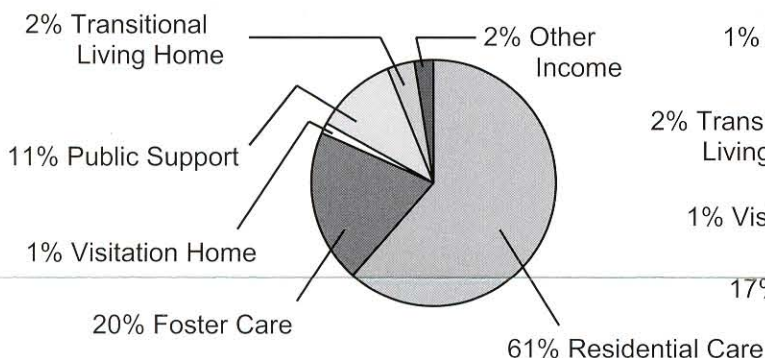
There are two specific parts of our work. There is the business/financial part and the people part.

The business/financial part summary is fiscal accountability and Governance. We ended our year in the black with a small savings in case of an emergency. We have also approved our balanced 2006 budget. The 2005 A-133 Audit is in the process of being completed. Our books are clean, honest, accountable and consistently balanced.

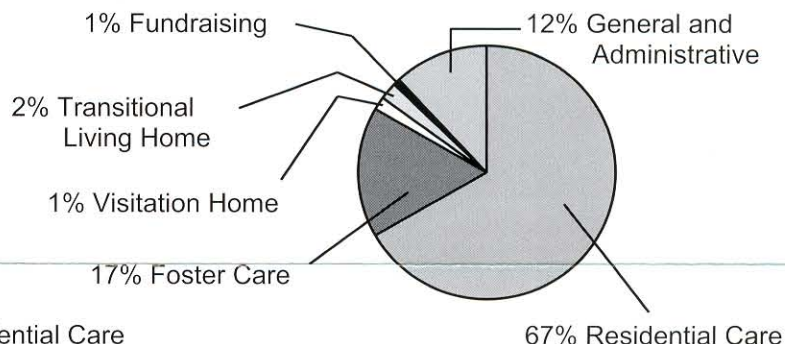
The people part includes 100 children and youth, 15 foster parents, 37 full time staff, 17 part time staff, 12 student volunteers, 10 volunteer board members, 2 fundraising guilds and 600 regular donors to our organization. It is my job to keep the 2 parts of our ministry balanced and also to try and have some semblance of a balanced personal life outside of work.

The following pie charts represent a summary of our 2005 Budget:

Revenue



Expense



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

	2005	To Date
Group Home Admissions	55	694
Group Home Graduates	14	193
Foster Family Agency Admissions	21	389
Adoptions	1	52
TOTAL ADMISSIONS	76	1083
% Program Completions		33%

Our accomplishments included:

- Opening our Bufo Karraker-Clarence Shaw Education Center in partnership with the Golden Valley Unified School District for all 32 of our boys as a Community Day School.
- The Computer Lab and Internet system was purchased and installed for the school and all 3 homes in partnership with Borba Farms and East, North and Fig Garden Rotaries.
- We successfully passed our State Licensing fiscal audit.
- Our accreditation with the California Alliance of Child and Family Services was renewed.
- Our relationship with the 15 counties that place children with us is very strong.
- Our 4 State licenses from the CA Department of Social Services are all in very good standing.
- We successfully operated within our proposed budget.

Goals for the future:

- Expand vocational training opportunities at Valley Teen Ranch
- Expand donor base
- Expand adoption division
- Improve recruitment and retention of staff
- Increase visibility of Valley Teen Ranch in the San Joaquin Valley
- Increase the number of Foster Parents in our Agency by 12
- Partner with other like minded organizations to help more youth & families
- Recruit and hire a Development Coordinator
- Remodel the Transitional Living Home floor, doors and windows