



MANY MOTHERS

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Annual Report 2015



2015 Staff

Nancy Guthrie, Executive Director
Melissa Willis, Program Director
Cathy Harvey, Program & Communications Coordinator

A Message from the Executive Director

The year 2015 was a year of transition for Many Mothers. Many of the staff's efforts in 2015 centered on strengthening and improving our existing foundation in order to reach our goals of stronger financial sustainability, increasing the number of volunteers recruited and trained, and increasing the number of families supported in 2016.

At the same time with the help of the Board of Directors, staff, and especially our volunteers, we continued to fulfill our mission to provide emotional and physical support to families following the birth or adoption of a newborn.

After several years of leading Many Mothers as the Board President and also filling the role of Executive Director, Lucy Newman retired and moved out of state. Lucy's energy, passion and ability are deeply missed. We also said goodbye to board members Sheila Stadler and Lorelei Chappell, whose contributions are also missed. We welcomed new board members Shasta Brooks, Jill Espeset Epstein, and Jeanne DuRivage.

I was hired by Many Mothers in July and joined two capable staff members, Melissa Willis and Cathy Harvey, who both completed a year of service in 2015. Together and individually we worked on a number of projects to better position Many Mothers in 2016 and beyond:

- We improved and strengthened the intake process for families and volunteers; training of volunteers; data collection, reporting and management.
- We developed new marketing materials and increased the use of local advertising, social media and nonprofit websites in order to recruit more volunteers.
- We moved donor information and giving history to an on line donor database to facilitate management of donor relations.
- We redesigned the website.
- We started emailing a monthly email newsletter to donors, volunteers, families and others.
- We developed a client and volunteer database to improve data management.
- We attended community events in order to increase the visibility of Many Mothers.
- We moved into a small, shared office space that provides a place to work collaboratively, store documents and host meetings.

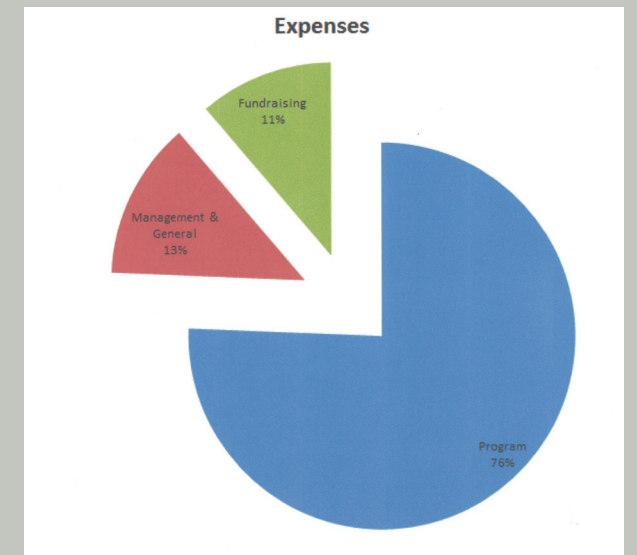
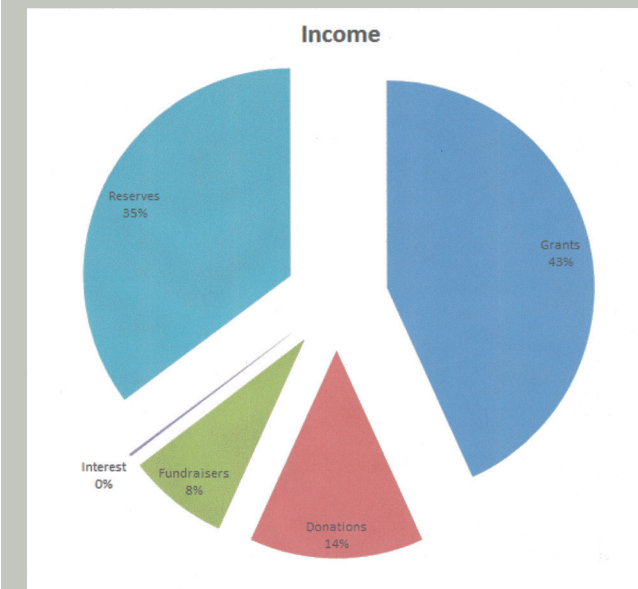
For 2016 we have plans to expand the number of families we support as well as the types of support we offer to families. We'll provide updates as these plans are implemented in 2016.

On behalf of the families we serve, thank you sincerely for supporting Many Mothers and placing your trust in our programs.

Nancy Guthrie

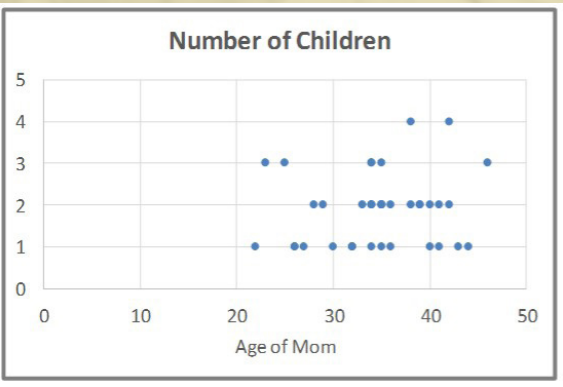
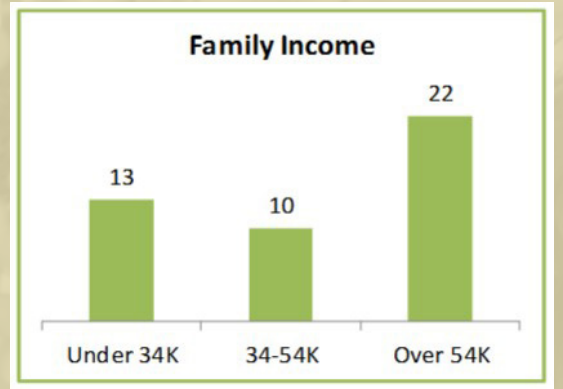
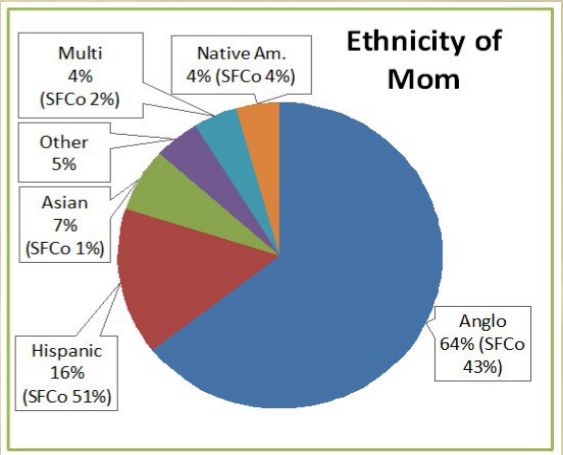
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2015 FINANCIALS



THANK YOU TO OUR 2015 GRANT FUNDERS

Anonymous
Brindle Foundation
Cynthia DaCosta Foundation
Doris Goodwin Walbridge Foundation
Las Campanas Community Fund
McCune Charitable Trust
Mission in the North
New Mexico Children's Foundation
Rotary Club of Santa Fe
Santa Fe Community Foundation - Root to Fruit
Santa Fe Downtown Kiwanis Foundation



Many Mothers volunteers provided emotional and physical support to 45 families in 2015. The numbers only tell part of the story. Below are stories about some of the families and how the volunteer was able to help reduce stress for the family.

G, a young, first time mom who left an abusive relationship right after the birth of her daughter, was supported by her volunteer through her transition into a new home while balancing single motherhood, work and a return to school to further her education.

First time mom to preemie twin boys, A and her husband spent months with their boys in the hospital before bringing them home and being put in “quarantine” (little to no visitors allowed into the home on a daily basis) to limit the boys exposure to germs. Stressed, isolated, and financially strapped, they bonded immediately with their volunteer. Their volunteer not only offered general support with the boys, but helped them both transition back to work.

Y, mom to a newborn and a toddler, was supported in learning how to navigate errands and excursions with both children. Her volunteer spent each visit with the family doing activities (swimming, going to the children’s museum, etc.) that allowed mom to gain confidence in her ability to be out and about with both children while also honoring mom’s wish that her toddler would have as much fun as possible and not get lost in the shuffle that can be created with a newborn at home.

J was a mom of five who had suffered from Postpartum Depression after her previous deliveries. The stress of a newborn, coupled with navigating her relationships with her other children and family members, was apparent and her volunteer worked to create a safe space for her while offering hands-on support, guidance, resources, and a listening ear.

“Many Mothers’ mission is to contribute to a healthy and vital Santa Fe community by providing free, in-home care and support to any Santa Fe family with a newborn.”

THANK YOU TO OUR 2015 VOLUNTEERS

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| Sara Hope Franks | Madonna Hernandez |
| Katherine Karnis | Carole Garland |
| Annie Tench | Lin Mattheis |
| Polly White | Missy Noonan |
| Freya Diamond | Doris Meyer |
| Yvette Valdez | Catherine Hart |
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| Lorelei Chappell | Emma Fountain |
| Loretta Maes-Bischoff | Francine Kern |
| Shasta Brooks | Teri Moellenberg |
| Margaret Ehle | Eva Borins |

Many Mother’s families who qualify receive a free raised-bed garden to grow fresh produce to help feed their families.

The program supports better family nutrition, lowers food costs, encourages family activities, and sharing excess produce.

After successfully gardening for 3 years, our Hoop House families receive their hoop house permanently.



“My kids (ages 2 and 5) have most recently enjoyed harvesting carrots from our hoop house. Each of them loves to pull the carrots from the soil, take part in washing them off, eating a few “fresh” ones (as they call their raw veggies), and figuring out how to put them into our dinner. Jasper thinks they taste so good that he has actually eaten three servings of cooked carrots on multiple occasions! I call this a win for gardening and healthy eating.” ~ M



“We love our garden! We use all the herbs, lettuce, and fruit in our garden either in salads, soups, or just sitting out by the garden and eating them fresh.” ~ M

“Many Mothers remains unmatched as a quality, supportive volunteer experience” ~ R



Special Thanks to:

- Abby Bordner
- Jen Antill
- Shabd Simran Adeniji
- Elizabeth Rose
- MJ Vargas
- Bizia Greene
- Ken Kuhne
- Shasta Brooks

In 2015 we held 11 Circles and our facilitators led discussions on:

- yoga
- estate planning
- infant massage
- etiquette
- gardening
- preventing sickness
- letting go of the mother identity
- ways to impact your child’s success
- self care and mindfulness for mamas
- questions about your little ones
- how to stay healthy over the winter

THANK YOU TO OUR 2015 DONORS

- Nancy & Bruce Abel
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- Anonymous
- Patricia & Richard Arens
- Loretta Armer
- Gretchen Ast & Andreas Stier
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- Joy Lanum
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- Eva Borins
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