



easterseals  
Rehabilitation  
Center

**Annual Report  
2016-2017**

# A message from our Board Chairman and our President

We are frequently asked how people in the community can get involved in our mission. This year we have completely revamped our volunteer program! In addition to the critical projects for fundraising, we streamlined a process for you to engage in many activities. A partial list is shown on the next page, and you can call our main phone number, 812.479.1411, to find out more.

Revamping seems to be the theme this year. After celebrating our 70th anniversary a year ago, we continue sharpening our focus on the future of the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center. Our direction is shaped by our strategic plan and the resulting priority goals, as we strive to:

- Be the place in the region that people with disabilities go to first.
- Ensure ongoing delivery of services for another 70 years by improving sustainability.
- Be the employer of choice in our field.
- Improve efficiency of operations and services.

Over the past fiscal year, progress toward these goals included implementation of a new electronic billing and medical records system for our Medical Therapy Programs. This was a huge undertaking and significant achievement for our organization. The implementation team was a great example for us all and worked tirelessly. The entire staff has done an amazing job with the transition.

We expanded our community employment efforts for people with disabilities through New Frontiers Employment Services with the help of state funding targeted for that purpose. We look forward to helping more area adults with disabilities achieve their dream of finding a job and becoming self-sufficient!

In addition to targeting community employment services, funding was included in the state budget to increase average pay rates for Direct Service Professionals. Locally and state wide, there is a critical shortage of DSPs, and Indiana is recognizing the importance of employing a high quality workforce in these roles. These essential staff members provide extraordinary direct care to 72 adult clients in the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center's nine Group Homes and to those served through Community Living Services.

Easterseals Rehabilitation Center Milestones, our inclusive early child care and education center, continues serving more infants and children with disabilities. Approximately 40% of enrolled students have some type of special need, and thanks to our exceptional staff, children of all abilities play, learn, grow and thrive together.

The Assistive Technology Division was reorganized and has seen a significant increase in revenue this year, which means we're helping more people obtain the adaptive equipment they need.

Although we have made many changes, we have kept our eye on one critical principle – client and family satisfaction. We received much encouragement from results of client/family satisfaction surveys for our Medical Rehabilitation and First Steps therapy services. 100% of those responding said they would recommend the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center to others. Other program areas receive 97% or higher satisfaction scores, as well. We will keep striving to meet and exceed the expectations of everyone we serve in the coming year.

Please take a look through the rest of our annual report to see some other recent highlights made possible by our staff, donors, clients, volunteers and community supporters.



Brant Kennedy  
Board Chairman



Kelly Schneider  
President/CEO



**Easterseals  
Rehabilitation Center**

**Core Values**

**Excellence**

**Stewardship**

**Respect**

**Commitment**

**Teamwork**

## New program enables volunteers to make a difference by...

- Being a “Social Sidekick” to plan & organize parties for people who live in our group homes or are served through Community Living Services
- Assisting with “Gogh for It!” children’s art workshops
- “Engaging for Learning” to provide additional interaction for children in our early childhood programs
- “Inspiring Creative Vision” by sharing your unique talents
- “Fertilizing Minds with your Green Thumb” by helping with gardening or landscaping projects
- And several other opportunities

**Call 812.479.1411 for details on these & other opportunities!**



“Your life and mine shall be valued not by what we take... but by what we give.”

Edgar Allen  
Easterseals Founder



Children of differing abilities had fun discovering their creativity at “Gogh For It!” Our first free art workshop was made possible by a grant from the Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana. Two more “Gogh For It!” workshops are already in the planning stages, with the next one coming in December 2017. For details, registration information or to volunteer, contact Jaclyn at 812.492.0685 or [art@evansvillerehab.com](mailto:art@evansvillerehab.com).

The “final tote” for the 40th annual local Easterseals Telethon reached a record \$1,052,132. All proceeds fund therapy sessions, thanks to WEHT Local/Local 7 WTVW, the only station in the U.S. donating 100% of production costs and air time for a local Easterseals Telethon.



# Community Support

## Businesses, foundations & organizations donating \$1,000 or more

### Independence

Sol & Arlene Bronstein Foundation  
Bullen Trust  
Crescent-Cresline-Wabash Plastics  
Deaconess Health System  
James R. Duncan Trust  
E'ville Iron Street Rod Club  
G.D. Ritzy's  
Bill & Betty Hebbeler (bequest)  
Holiday World  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 16  
Kreyling Charitable Foundation  
National Electrical Contractors Association  
Midwest Communications: 93.5 Duke FM, 104.1 WIKY, HOT 96 FM, WABX 107.5  
Old National Bank  
Townsquare Media: 99.5 WKDQ, 103GBF, MY 105.3FM, 106.1 KISS-FM, WGBF-AM  
United Way of Posey County  
United Way of Southwestern Indiana  
Vectren  
WEHT Local / Local 7 WTVW

### Empowerment

City of Evansville Endowment Fund  
James R. & Adelaide H. Duncan Foundation  
Evansville Courier & Press  
Higginbotham Trust  
Sean Roy Hilt Foundation  
Lamar Advertising  
Mother Bear Charitable Foundation  
Skanska  
Spectrum  
St. Vincent  
Tool 4 Teaching  
Tri-State Orthopaedic Surgeons  
United Way of Henderson Co.  
Wesselman's Supermarkets  
WOW Internet•Cable•Phone

### Opportunity

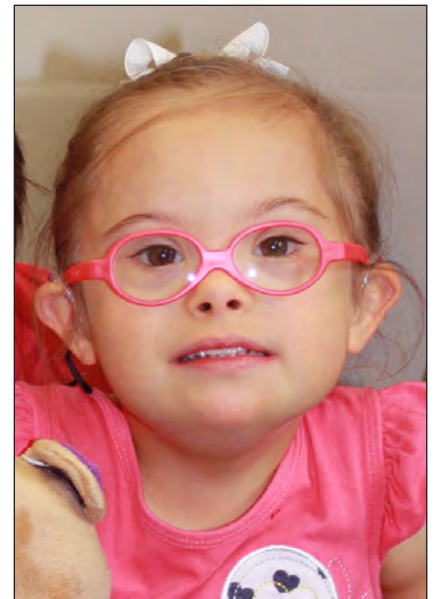
Accuride Corp.  
Atlas World Group  
Berry Global  
Coldstone Creamery & Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory  
Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #73  
Harding Shymanski & Co., P.S.C.  
Kemper CPA Group  
LemonAid Stand  
Edward W. Love Foundation  
Phi Gamma Delta  
Shaw Trust  
Shine On Express Car Wash  
South Central Incorporated  
Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Indiana

### Dignity

Acclaim Graphics  
Anchor Industries  
BKD  
Bower-Suhrheinrich Foundation  
Bussing-Koch Foundation  
Deaconess Women's Hospital  
Diamond Valley FCU  
D-Patrick Ford  
El Charro & El Patron  
Erik Photographic Studio  
Fifth Third Bank  
Fraternal Order of Police - Indiana  
Cecil A. & Mabel Lene Hamman Foundation  
Horse Shoe Bend Carriage Company  
Tom & Evelyn Ingle Trust  
Kahn Dees Donovan & Kahn  
Lamasco Bar & Grill  
Mead Johnson Nutrition "Pete"  
Roebing Photographics  
Shoe Carnival  
Teamsters Union Local 215  
Tropicana Evansville  
United Leasing - Golf Gives Back  
West Side Nut Club

### Ability

911 Gives Hope  
Acosta Sales & Marketing  
American Senior Communities  
Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield  
ArchonSafe  
Armour-Eckrich Meats  
Bar-S Foods  
Bob's Gym & Fitness Center  
Breck Logistics  
Buehler's IGA  
Bunzl  
Castle Community 4-H  
Coca-Cola Consolidated  
Data Mail  
Dole Fresh Vegetables  
Donaldson Capital Management  
Dunn Hospitality Group  
EN Engineering  
Evansville Bicycle Club, Inc.  
Evansville Teachers FCU  
Expressway Dodge•Chrysler•Jeep•Ram  
Eye-Mart  
Garmong Construction Services  
Gerling Law Offices  
German American Bank  
Hampton Refrigeration  
Happe & Sons Construction, Inc.  
Head's Construction  
Hearing & Speech Associates  
Heritage FCU  
J. Trockman & Sons  
Jarvis Food Equipment  
Jasper Engines & Transmissions



Just For Kids Pediatric Dentistry  
Koch Foundation  
Henry F. Koch Charitable Trust  
H.F. & Minnie Koch Trust  
Laroy Tax Service  
Lensing Building Specialties  
Lewis Bakeries  
McMahon Exterminating Co.  
Midwest Roofing - Sheet Metal  
Mutual of America  
ONI Risk Partners  
Payne Wealth Partners  
PC Quest  
Pepsi Beverages Company  
Reinbrecht Homes  
Regency Properties  
Romain Cross Pointe Auto Park  
Security Enforcement  
Spurling Properties  
Square Yard Carpet  
Sterling Boiler & Mechanical  
SugarBakers  
Superior Van & Mobility  
Swat Pest Management  
TJ Maxx  
Tri-State Woodcarvers Club  
VenuWorks of Evansville  
Wild Birds Unlimited  
Williams Country Sausage  
Winkler, Inc.  
Working Distributors  
Wright's Refrigeration  
Lester E. Yeager Charitable Trust  
Ziemer Stayman Weitzel & Shoulders

*Includes gifts received 9/1/16-8/31/17*

## Programs and services provided by the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center and its divisions

- Physical, occupational & speech/language therapy
- Provider of First Steps physical, speech, occupational & developmental therapies & audiology services for children under 3
- Early care & education for children of all abilities at Easterseals Milestones
- Therapeutic preschool at the Dan & Nancy Mitchell Therapeutic Preschool
- Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC)
- Audiological testing & services
- Aqua therapy & aquatic fitness
- Swim lessons for people of all abilities
- Assistive technology & rehabilitation engineering through Easterseals Assistive Technology Solutions (ATS)
- Wheelchairs & custom mobility devices (ATS)
- Driver's assessments & rehabilitation (ATS)
- Home, school & work site adaptations (ATS)
- Portable aluminum ramps (ATS)
- Psychological services & counseling
- Orthotics
- Work injury management (WorkWell Systems)
- Easterseals ASPIRE adult day services
- Supervised group living services
- Community living services
- Organizational employment through Horizon Industries at Easterseals Posey County
- Community employment through New Frontiers Employment Services

## 2017 Board of Directors

Brant Kennedy, Chairman

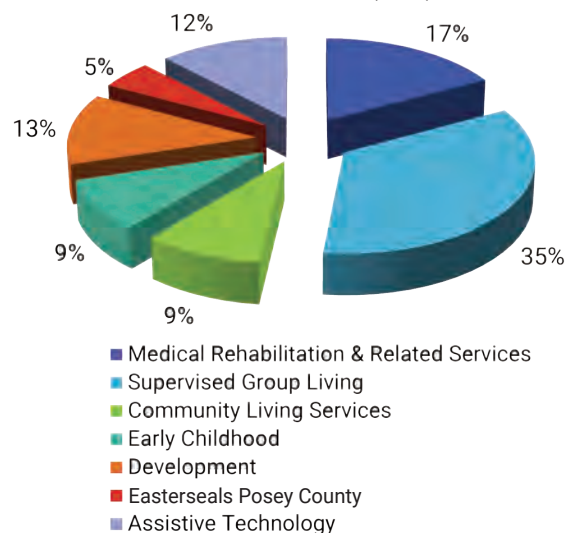
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Rob Bingham	Dan Parod
Todd Chamberlain	Denny Quinn
Paul Green	John Raisor
Brian Hape	Laura Roop
Jeff Helfrich	Jim Sandgren
Randy Hobson	Scott Schroeder
Carol Hull	Ken Smith
Wayne Kinney	Matt Theby
Shelley Kirk	Ted Thompson
Steve Link	Ben Trockman
Alzie Malone	John C. Schroeder, Director Emeritus
Donna Neufelder	

## Combined Revenues

Easterseals Rehabilitation Center & Divisions

Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Total Revenues \$19,280,155

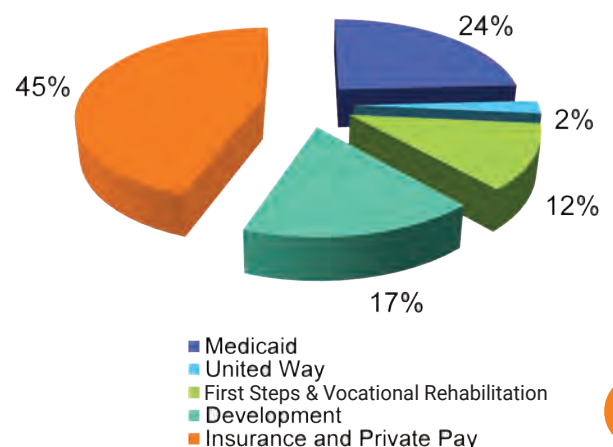


## Statement of Support

for Medical Rehabilitation & Related Services

Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Total Gross Revenue \$10,251,646



# Easterseals Presidents' Council

Individuals donating leadership gifts of \$1,000 or more annually

## Independence

Niel & Karen Ellerbrook  
Leonard Keller  
Wayne & Beth Kinney  
Luther Oost  
John C. & Diane Schroeder

## Empowerment

Anonymous  
Mike & Carol Hull  
Dr. & Mrs. Spiro B. Mitsos

## Opportunity

Bengert Family  
Joe & Betty Elpers  
Dr. & Mrs. Joe Fox  
Bob & Lisa Jones  
David & Donna Lounsbery  
Norman & Susan Snyder  
Tim & Jan Swickard  
Terry Taylor

## Dignity

Anonymous  
Ruth Ellen Bromm  
Dr. Chris Chacko  
Betty Charlier  
Jim & Mollie Francis  
Dr. Myles & Anne Grant  
Don Korb  
Maury & Dr. Susan Leinenbach  
Sara Miller  
Joe & Leah Parker  
Denny & Cassie Quinn  
Ray & Janet Raisor  
Jim & Becky Sandgren  
Richard & Patrice Schroeder  
Scott & Leigh Schroeder

## Ability

Amy & Randy Abbott  
Gene Aimone  
Harriet Anderson  
Anonymous  
Kyle & Ashley Babcock  
Bob & Patty Balbach  
Ken & Julia Balbach  
Josh & Amy Barron  
Jeff & Maureen Bell  
Maurice & Cherie Berendes  
Joe & Donna Beuligmann  
Dean & Karen Bosler  
Al & Cathy Bragin

Alan & Sharon Braun  
Tim & Sharon Bray  
Bob & Jennifer Bromm  
Ryan & Julie Burczyk  
Jeff Carnes  
Jim & Jean Chambers  
Carl & Kay Chapman  
Maribeth Claassen  
Derek & Kelly Coe  
Joe & Ruth Cole  
Karen Connelly  
Jim Cox  
Doug & Karen Daniel  
Brian & Mandy Dardeen  
Jon David  
Mike & Laura David  
Guy & Cindy Davis  
Drs. Jack Deppe & Shari Barrett  
Bruce & Kathy Dockery  
Doug & Malinda Dockery  
Larry Downs & Suzanne Crouch  
Dr. Mike & Judy Dukes  
JP Engelbrecht  
Marty & Syd Finney  
Jason & Crystal Fisher  
Jeff & Lisa Fisher  
Tim & Kay Flesch  
Susan Fuller  
Leigh Gallian  
Kenneth & Janet Gass  
Jon & Martha Goldman  
Jim & Connie Gries  
Dr. Ogle & Terry Hall  
Elmer Halwes  
Angela Harper  
Bill & Karen Harris  
David Herche & Wendy Thursby  
Dan & Kim Hermann  
Veleria Hobgood  
Randy & Chandra Hobson  
Kerry Hodges  
Chris & Andrea Imes  
Gil & Marcia Jochem  
Brent & Sandy Junge  
Wanda Karn  
Brant & Stephanie Kennedy  
Bob & Jeri Kenning  
Mark Kent  
Burt & Madeline King  
Pam Kirk  
Bob & Cynthia Koch  
Jeremy & Kayla Kunz  
Larry Laroy  
Steve & Teresa Link

Daniel Linthicum  
Dr. Jerry & Charlotte Martell  
Dennis & Colleen Martin  
Marion & Ruby McDowell  
Ken & Joni McFelea  
Brad & Lynn Muehlbauer  
Jim & Mary Kay Muehlbauer  
Bob & Janet Naas  
Alan & Sandy Newman  
Marilyn O'Daniel  
David Papariella  
Taylor & Jenny Payne  
Art & Mary Pike  
Chad & Rita Plank  
Lue Purtzer  
Kenny & Rhonda Reinbrecht  
James & Diane Riddle  
Greg Risch  
Glenn & Monica Robinson  
Ron & Connie Romain  
Brandon & Leah Roop  
Rick & Laura Roop  
John Rosenberg  
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James & Lori Schmidt  
Ernie Schmitt  
Brad & Kelly Schneider  
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Ginny Schroeder  
Joann Schwentker  
Dr. Richard & Laurie Seals  
Erlus Shatara  
Larry & Lois Simon  
Ken & Maren Smith  
Tim & Amy Spurling  
Jeff & Amy Spurlock  
Mike & Hope Staubitz  
Dottie Stephens  
Marilyn Stone  
Tom & Diane Stone  
Jerry & Laura Terhune  
Matt & Diane Theby  
Ted & Karen Thompson  
Jim & Becky Tilley  
David & Sara Trockman  
Jeff & Nancy Trockman  
Wayne, Jill, Ben & Josh Trockman  
William & Mary Tucker  
Darren & Lisa Verkamp  
Linda White  
Jeff & Laurie Wilmes  
Jim & Darlene Woodard  
Drs. Bill & Mona Wooten  
Betty Worthington

**Ritzzy's Fantasy of Lights** exceeded \$3 million raised over the 23-year history of the event. The winter light display in Garvin Park also hosted its first-ever timed run and family fun walk.

**Holiday World** celebrated the 25th anniversary of hosting Play Day. Approximately 57,000 children with disabilities have enjoyed the special day and Holiday World has donated more than \$442,000 in proceeds to Easterseals.

Easterseals introduced the **Ability Alliance** monthly giving program to increase convenience for donors while securing ongoing therapy funding. To join and become a friend for a brighter future—or for details—contact Laura Terhune, 812.437.2627, [LTerhune@evansvillerehab.com](mailto:LTerhune@evansvillerehab.com) or text “alliance” to 27126.



Easterseals honored long-time supporters the **Trockman family**—Wayne, Jill, Ben and Josh—with the Changing Lives Award at the annual Tribute Dinner.



Children of all abilities and their families celebrated graduation day at our Dan & Nancy Mitchell Therapeutic Preschool.



Clients of Easterseals Aspire Adult Day Services shared joy and music during a visit by the Boom Squad.



Indiana Lieutenant Governor **Suzanne Crouch** read to children at Easterseals Milestones during Disability Awareness Month.

During the past year, our Easterseals Ambassadors shared their stories—and our mission—with thousands of area residents. Many thanks to Andy Imlay, Miah Dillingham, and their families!



### Miah Dillingham

At 6 years old, Miah Dillingham is a non-stop bundle of energy! She rarely stops moving and nothing seems to slow her down — not even the fact that she happens to have disabilities.

Miah was born in China with arthrogryposis (a condition affecting her joints), hip dysplasia and club feet. When Jara and JT Dillingham adopted Miah, she was almost 2 years old and wasn't walking. Soon after bringing her home to Newburgh, Indiana, the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center became an integral part of their lives.

Easterseals therapy helped Miah learn to walk for the first time. Since then, she's worked hard to build her strength, balance, and range of motion.

Miah's condition requires periodic surgeries on her hips and legs. After those procedures, her Easterseals therapist always helps Miah get back on her feet and regain her ability to walk.

Miah isn't satisfied with just walking! She has learned some dance moves, she likes riding horses, and she has even tried gymnastics! Swimming is her favorite sports activity.

There are many more surgeries, goals and achievements in Miah's future. With your support, the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center will be here for Miah and her family every step of the way.

### Andy Imlay

Andy Imlay doesn't recall a time when Easterseals wasn't part of his life. Andy was born with cerebral palsy, and the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center helped him achieve goals from the very start.

First, Easterseals taught Andy how to walk with a walker. Next was crutches. As he grew, therapy in our gym and therapeutic pool helped Andy build strength, skills, and confidence to succeed in school.

When Andy started a career in the computer field, we helped him achieve his goal of living independently. Therapy taught him to accomplish everyday tasks like cooking and household chores on his own.

Now 37, Andy is experiencing changes in his muscles and joints, a common issue for adults with cerebral palsy. So, he returned to the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center to learn new ways to achieve his daily goals.

Andy keeps moving ahead and giving back to Easterseals and the community. He's a mentor for young people with disabilities and is chairman of the Evansville-Vanderburgh County Advisory Council on Disability Services.

In June, Andy started an exciting new chapter in his life — he and his fiancé Megan got married!

The Easterseals Rehabilitation Center is working to change the way our community defines and views disability by making profound, positive differences in local people's lives every day.

In the past fiscal year, our staff provided:

- Services for 5,498 children & adults from the Tri-State area
- 10,788 community living services days
- 137,440 units of therapy
- 37,650 children's early care & education days
- 7,200 therapeutic preschool days
- 24,760 days of supervised group living
- 12,133 adult day services days
- 7,345 organizational employment days
- 1,155 community employment days



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