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2020 - 2021

# ANNUAL REPORT



I've been involved with Easterseals for 20 years. Like many of you, I've always known the name, but not necessarily all the great work Easterseals does for our community every day.

Easterseals is the hub of Southern Georgia's care for people with disabilities. An often-overlooked population, people with disabilities are crucial to the fabric of our communities.

Last year was difficult for everyone. For Easterseals, our core mission of ensuring everyone had the ability to live, learn, work, and play in our community was balanced against the need to ensure the people we serve were protected from COVID as much as possible. Most people with disabilities also have compromised immune systems, so our normal services suffered.

Additionally, 2020 was a very difficult year for state funding as Georgia grappled with the pandemic. Easterseals has always been mindful of health and safety protocols, and the strategy in reducing the incidence of cold and flu viruses were helpful against COVID. Thanks to our hard-working staff, none of our residents required hospitalization due to COVID.

I'd like to share some impact numbers that reflect the staff's meaningful services to the people of Southern Georgia:

- In all, 2,715 individuals and families received services last year.
- 41 individuals lived in one of our residential locations, and an additional 30 received similar services in their homes.
- 69 people were able to engage in socially distanced activities in our Adult Day program.
- 120 families used Megan's House for overnight respite, enabling them to take care of other family members, and themselves.
- 1,925 families were supported with financial assistance for such things as medical appointments and travel, medical costs not covered by insurance, and medical supplies and equipment.
- 523 people received services to enable them to prepare for, obtain, and keep a job.

It's not an exaggeration to proclaim as heroes Easterseals' staff, volunteers, and clients. While these efforts don't make headlines or go viral on social media, it's some of the most heroic work we can do as humans. I'm honored to be part of Easterseals and thank all of you for your support.

Kenneth Cutts  
Easterseals Board Chairman 2020-2021



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# MISSION



Easterseals provides exceptional services, education, outreach and advocacy so that people living with autism and other disabilities can live, learn, work and play in our communities.

## LIVE

Hands on comprehensive, vital programs and support to help people reach their full potential.

## LEARN

Programs designed to help children and adults learn – and often relearn – basic functions, master skills needed to develop and thrive.

## WORK

A range of training, placement and related services helping people prepare for the workforce.

## PLAY

Fun, healthy programs for children, adults and caregivers to relax, connect with friends and engage in constructive activities.

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# OUR PROGRAMS

## VOCATIONAL SERVICES

Easterseals Vocational Program is designed to assist individuals with disabilities as they prepare for, obtain and retain employment in the community. Employment services are customized based on an individual's choice and need.

## RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Easterseals Residential Program provides a variety of care options for individuals with developmental disabilities based on their needs and desires. Residential options for these individuals include small 3 to 4-person community living homes, supervised apartment living and in-home supports.

## COMMUNITY ACCESS GROUPS

Easterseals offers daily engagement options for adults with developmental disabilities based at an Easterseals facility. Daily activities ensure participants experience valued roles in the community by providing services and training that supports individual choices and opportunities.

## RESPIRE SERVICES

Easterseals provides quality respite care services for people who have developmental disabilities, a diagnosis of autism or are medically fragile, within family homes or at one of our community-based homes. Megan's House is a respite home offering overnight respite care with three locations in Leesburg, Valdosta and Waycross. Respite care can be used for a crisis situation or for a scheduled break.

## FAMILY SUPPORT

Easterseals Family Support program offers a range of services meant to meet the needs of individuals diagnosed with a developmental disability/intellectual disability or autism spectrum disorders, ages 3 and up, who live in home and community-based settings.



# THE NUMBERS

SEPTEMBER 2020 - AUGUST 2021

## ASSETS

CASH	\$591,303
RESTRICTED CASH	\$4,344,798
ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT	\$93,582
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$464,641
OTHER ASSETS	\$162,303
PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT	\$1,782,048

**TOTAL ASSETS** **\$7,438,675**

## LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$980,341
LONG TERM DEBT	\$296,341
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS (DESIGNATED)	\$3,492,638
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS (UNDESIGNATED)	\$2,626,751
PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED ASSETS	\$42,100

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS** **\$5,863,230**

## INCOME

DONATIONS-CASH	\$119,240
SBA/PPP GRANT	\$1,411,303
SPECIAL EVENTS	\$3,663
UNITED WAY ALLOCATIONS	\$15,224
GOVERNMENT GRANTS/FEEES	\$2,134,929
PROGRAM SERVICE FEES	\$8,208,157
OTHER INCOME	\$365,093

**TOTAL INCOME** **\$12,257,609**

## EXPENSES

DIRECT SERVICES	\$9,315,246
FUND RAISING	\$177,130
MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	\$1,046,957
NATIONAL MEMEBERSHIP FEES	\$52,575

**TOTAL EXPENSES** **\$10,591,908**



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