



Fiscal Year 2019 Impact Report

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We create
limitless possibilities
for infants, children and adults with
developmental delays and disabilities.

We go the extra mile to ensure that
every child and family has the therapies
they need to live, learn, work & play in
their communities.

More than 1,000 children come through our doors each week. We believe in their abilities, help them achieve their goals and celebrate their progress every step of the way. With leading experts across specialties and diagnoses, Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley is where families find clear answers and a community of support, so their children can realize their full potential.

WE TREATED CHILDREN WITH MORE THAN 100+ DIFFERENT DIAGNOSES

100+

When I reflect on the past fiscal year, the accomplishments that spring to mind are the ones that can't be measured. A three-year-old girl took her first steps. A boy with severe food aversions was able to eat a sandwich for lunch at school. A child with a language delay told his mom it was "time to play." **This is the true impact of our work.**

These pages reflect the scope of our services, the expertise of our therapists, and the fiscal responsibility that makes these moments possible.

96% OF CLIENTS REPORTED PROGRESS TOWARD THEIR THERAPY GOALS



We remain focused on the initiatives that were front and center in fiscal year 2019:

We furthered research partnerships and teaching opportunities that promote the critical importance of early identification and treatment of developmental delays, we grew our occupational therapy team and Autism services in response to our community's needs, and we continue to prioritize the family support services that set us apart.

Together, we are building healthier families, stronger communities and brighter futures for children with disabilities.



Theresa

Theresa Forthofer, *President & CEO*

FAMILY SERVICES PROVIDED MORE THAN 3,400 HOURS OF SUPPORT



FISCAL YEAR IN REVIEW

SEPTEMBER 1, 2018 - AUGUST 31, 2019

SEPT

Pediatric Nutrition Therapist Jodi Hoppensteadt led nutrition education for parents of children with autism as a guest speaker for the Center for Autism and Behavior Specialists.

OCT

Naperville Central and IC Catholic Prep (Elmhurst) raised awareness and funds (topping \$12,000) for Easterseals at their respective rivalry football games.

NOV

Easterseals supporters celebrated the global day of giving by contributing more than \$115,000 on #GivingTuesday.

DEC

20 staff members celebrated service anniversaries of 20 years or more.

JAN

The National Easterseals organization promoted inclusion with a float in the Rose Bowl Parade themed: "Celebrating Easterseals. 100 Years of Disability Services."

FEB

Easterseals therapists continued a collaboration with the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab and Pathways.org on a video training project about infants' first four months of development.

MAR

37 therapists attended a neuromuscular treatment course led by Easterseals occupational therapist Diane Fritts Ryan in partnership with clinicians from Marquette University and the University of Illinois at Chicago.

APR

63 volunteers led a spring clean-up effort at Easterseals as part of Comcast's company-wide volunteer celebration, Comcast Cares Day.

MAY

More than 700 runners, walkers and volunteers participated in the 16th Annual Run for the Kids: Superhero Hustle.

JUN

The Summer Siblings Program kicked off 250 hours of crafts, games and activities to entertain brothers and sisters during siblings' summer therapy sessions.

JUL

More than 90 children participated in summer Community Based Therapy programs to build skills through specialized groups like Aquatics, Mighty Movers, Fun with Food and more.



AUG

The Chicago Bears awarded Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley a \$100,000 Community All-Pro grant to fund a new inclusive playground.

A Touchdown for Inclusive Play

In celebration of their 100th season, the Chicago Bears supported ten non-profit organizations that make a positive impact around Chicagoland and Illinois. Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley was an honored recipient.

Selected from more than 500 applications, this honor included a \$100,000 grant to build a new accessible playground that will be an integral part of our therapy services and Lily Garden inclusive child care center.

This gift will ensure a safe and accessible space for toddlers and preschoolers to develop physical, emotional and social skills through play.

The grant also included exclusive recognition at the Bears pre-season home game in August with video screen mentions of our services throughout the game. President & CEO Theresa Forthofer and client Charlie Krupka served as honorary captains and assisted in the pre-game coin toss.

Demolition of the existing 20-year-old playground structure is expected to start in the spring of 2020. It will make way for new climbing equipment, slides, ladders, a sensory wall, swings, sand and water features, and wheelchair ramping.

We are grateful to the Chicago Bears for helping children of all abilities play and learn together.



Excellence & Expertise

We are proud to be named a Neuro-Developmental Treatment (NDT) Center of Excellence. NDT is a hands-on therapy approach used to improve the function of children and adults who have difficulty controlling movement as a result of a neurological challenge. Twenty of our therapists are certified in neurodevelopmental treatment and 13 of them hold an additional advanced certification in treating babies. This recognition acknowledges the expertise, knowledge and commitment to professional development that defines the team at Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley.



For more than 40 years, Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley has achieved the highest possible recognition from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF). Our re-accreditation in 2019 reflects our continued commitment to excellence. Over the course of the evaluation, the surveyors commended our leadership, expertise, and wide range of specialized services.

"The level of shared skill development and knowledge of collaboration is truly impressive. The management staff is enthusiastic, well qualified, and highly committed to providing optimum services."

- CARF Accreditation Report, June 2019



The Lily Garden provided inclusive child care for **70 children**



Marco said, "hello!"



We provided early intervention services to 1,074 children throughout Chicagoland



Danny ate solid foods!



Grew by 7.5%!

Hours of therapy: 50,260

- Occupational Therapy: 18,196 hours
- Speech Therapy & Assistive Technology: 14,956 hours
- Physical Therapy: 13,508 hours
- Audiology: 1,743 hours
- Nutrition Therapy: 1,142 hours
- Developmental Therapy: 715 hours

22 families found answers from the Autism Diagnostic Clinic team



Riley took her first steps!

Case Management
coordinated care for 169 families with complex needs

Passionate People

The guidance of our board, the dedication of our team, and the support of our community fuel our mission and drive our vision.

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Theresa Forthofer

In April, Theresa was one of 21 members appointed to Governor Pritzker's Illinois Council on Women and Girls. She is committed to creating positive change and addressing issues that impact women and girls with disabilities.

FY19 Associate Board Executive Committee

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19 YOUNG PROFESSIONALS SERVE ON
THE ASSOCIATE BOARD



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76 HIGHLY TRAINED CLINICIANS



LOGGED 1,305 HOURS OF CONTINUING EDUCATION



Fiscal Year 2019

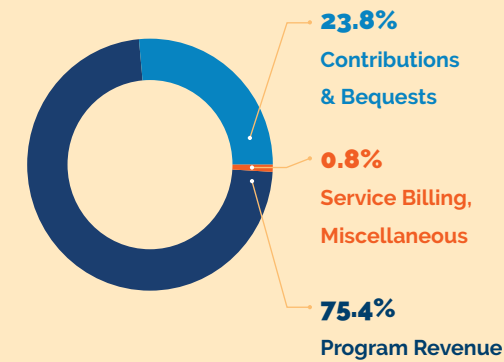
September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2019

This condensed financial summary has been prepared by Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley.

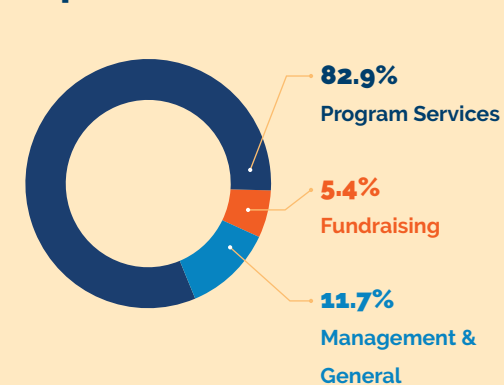
Complete financial statements including notes and the independent auditor's report of Tighe, Kress, Orr, P.C., are available upon request. A complete donor list is also available upon request.

Fiscal year 2018 contributions include capital campaign donations.

Revenues



Expenses



SERVED 515 UNINSURED
AND UNDER-INSURED
CHILDREN WITH
DISABILITIES



Statement of Financial Position 2019

Assets	2019	2018
Cash	\$1,914,773	\$898,552
Investments	\$694,510	\$1,333,558
Receivables, Net	\$807,741	\$925,998
Other Assets	\$281,115	\$439,321
Land, Building & Equipment, Net	\$2,890,491	\$2,868,341
Total Assets	\$6,588,630	\$6,465,770

Liabilities & Net Assets

Liabilities	\$809,017	\$810,873
Long Term Debt	\$1,052,614	\$1,084,393
Total Liabilities	\$1,861,631	\$1,895,266
Total Net Assets	\$4,726,999	\$4,570,504
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$6,558,630	\$6,465,770

Revenues	2019	2018
Contributions & Bequests	\$2,044,373	\$1,989,755
Program Revenue	\$6,476,265	\$6,134,976
Service Billing Revenue	\$46,145	\$66,614
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$23,698	\$30,543
Total Revenue	\$8,590,481	\$8,221,888

Expenses

Program Services	\$6,983,377	\$6,839,657
Management & General	\$991,540	\$995,925
Fundraising	\$452,412	\$438,271
Total Expenses	\$8,427,329	\$8,273,853
Other Revenue (Expense)	(\$6,657)	\$66,242
Change in Net Assets	\$156,495	\$14,277
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$4,570,504	\$4,556,227
Net Assets at End of Year	\$4,726,999	\$4,570,504



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