

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

A ROCK-STAR YEAR



REV. DENISE BARKER FOUNDER & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We acknowledge that 2021 was a year that continued to strain and anguish nations, communities and relationships around the world. Magdalena House was saddened moving our gala to virtual, though it was still an amazing event! We also experienced a rise in numbers of positive COVID cases amongst families. And of course, we continued to witness the rise of domestic violence calls, arrests, and backlogged DV trials in Bexar County.

One definition of rock star is "a person treated as a celebrity, especially in inspiring fanatical admiration." In this second year of the pandemic, we are star-struck! We've experienced inspiring fanatical admiration for the amazing mothers we walk alongside. Two mothers graduated with 4-year degrees; neither ever believed this could be possible. They overcame every obstacle. One achieved a BS in Social Work, cum laude, the other a BA in Business Management, magna cum laude. Both secured their first professional position, one with Restore Education and the other with Valero Energy. Two others matriculated from Community College to 4-year institutions. One mother received an organization's national scholarship and was flown to speak at their annual convention. Inside this report, you can glimpse some statistics that tell of our families' hard work. After living at MH for 9 months, one mother will begin pursuing a BS in Nursing with the dream of becoming a Nurse Practitioner. She never imagined herself as "intelligent." The past 7 years she was told just the opposite. Now with a 4.0 GPA – this rock star will do whatever she sets her mind to!

What a privilege to walk this journey together. You make the unachievable possible and are producing rock stars. Thank you! Thank you very much!

Denise



RESIDENT STORY

"I did not know how drastically my life was going to change. When I first moved to the US, I had no idea that one day I would graduate from a prestigious university and work for a multinational company. Honestly, I did not even speak English, only a few words, but I chose to become an independent woman because of an abusive relationship. If I had not gone through it I would have never known about Magdalena House or have the opportunities that I was given in this place. God put me right where I needed to be. I have faced my anxieties, doubts, financial struggles, depression, and pain. Magdalena House has filled my life with friendship, love, and joy. I will keep these incredible memories for the rest of my life. Looking back, I learned that everything in life happens for a reason. Today my heart is full of love and peace because I was loved and cared for in this blessed house. I love you all forever and ever."

-Former Mag House Resident

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FAMILIES SERVED



- 55 mothers and 80 children since opening
- 33 mothers and children called MH home this year
- 67% of our current resident families have lived at MH for one year or more

EDUCATION OUTCOMES



- 2 mothers completed bachelor's degrees with honors
- 2 mothers completed associate's degrees
- 10 mothers pursuing college degrees
- 1 mother pursuing ESL classes
- 1 mother completed an IT certificate and is pursuing a second certificate
- 3.3 average GPA
- 270 college credits earned
- Over 1,306 college credits earned since opening

COUNSELING & PARENTING SESSIONS

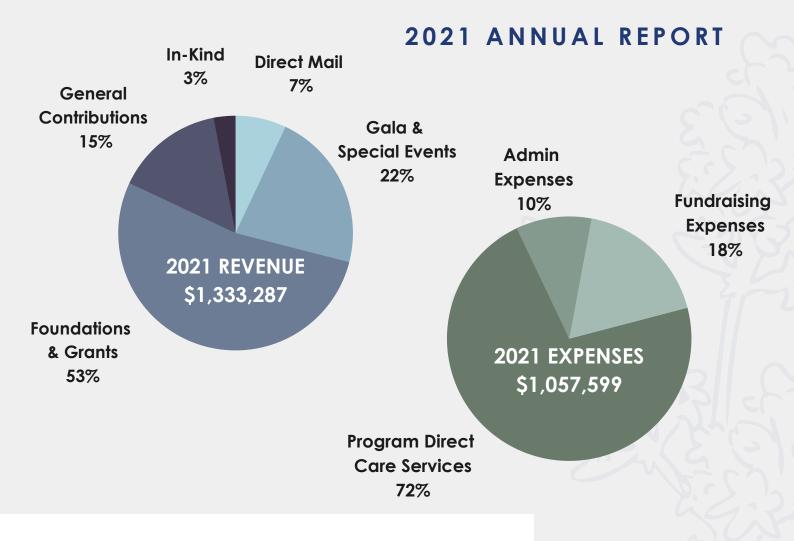


- 483 hours of therapy services provided
- 151 hours of parenting education completed
- 8 mothers participated in parenting education

COMMUNITY GROWTH



- Mothers completed 99% of their personal goals
- Families grew in self-sufficiency from "vulnerable" to "building capacity," particularly in realms of safety, mental health, community involvement, food, and health care
- 100% of mothers reported strengthened key "protective factors" for healthy families, including family functioning & resiliency, social supports, concrete supports and nurturing & attachment



PROGRAMMING SUPPORT

- 8,778 nights of shelter provided
- 30 Enrichment sessions
- 13 house meetings
- 9 family meals
- 132 hours spent in the community garden
- 217 childcare services provided by MH staff
- 419 transportation services provided by MH staff



"I want to be a lender and not a borrower. I want to give back to the people who broke me." - Current Resident

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