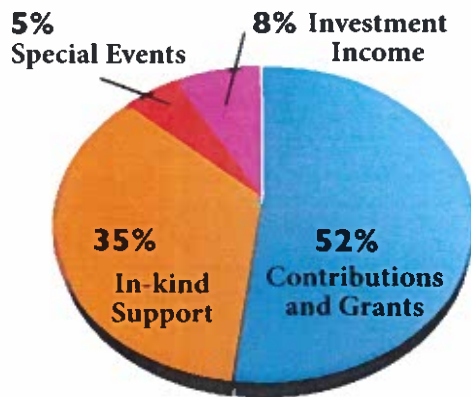


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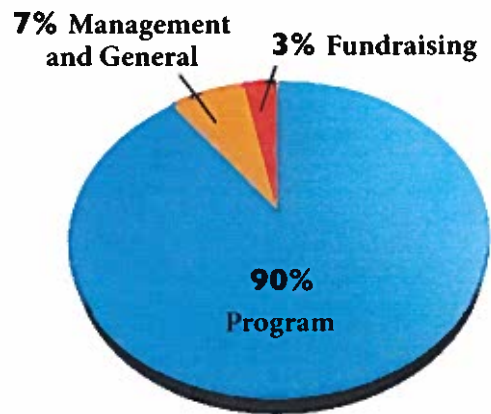
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2017

INCOME
\$ 775,540

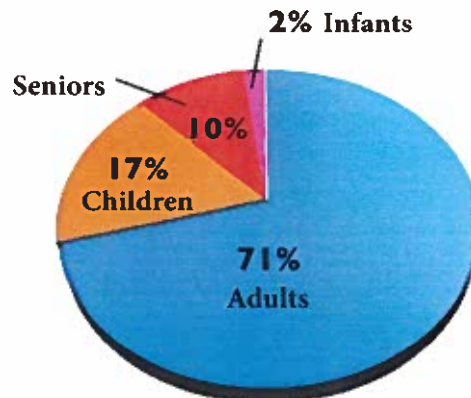


EXPENSES
\$ 785,101



Unrestricted Net Assets 12/31/2017: \$1,021,236

WHO WE SERVE



In 2017, 137,000 meals were provided.

FRIENDS OF NIGHT PEOPLE CHANGED ME FOREVER

During my first days as an intern here, I was overwhelmed by the number of people coming through the doors in need of assistance. I realized what a need this city has for an organization like FONP. The attitude of the staff toward this population that is often marginalized by society was inspiring. I saw genuine concern and compassion for the tough time the individuals are experiencing. There is awareness among staff that many of our guests have experienced trauma and the impact it has on their behavior. The guests are treated with dignity and respect.

I learned about the variety of life circumstances that led them to be in need of our services. Many guests are experiencing untreated mental illness or are in the midst of substance abuse and addiction - or both. For some guests generational poverty is a fact of life and others are bewildered by life circumstances that have led them to poverty and homelessness.

We have guests escaping Hurricane Maria and others that are refugees from places like Somalia, Burma, and Sudan, all of whom need assistance to start their lives anew. Each guest I interacted with over these months has left an impression. There have been success, setbacks and stagnation. I have learned to accept all outcomes while always hoping for the best.

One guest in particular stands out in my memory. When I first met him, he had nothing but the clothes on his back, a history of trauma and desire to change his circumstances. Over the past few months, we were able to help him get identification and clothes, plus a generous donation has provided him with a bicycle for transportation. He has also been able to reconnect with an estranged family member who has



allowed him to move in. He has obtained intermittent temporary employment. He has even spent time helping as a volunteer at FONP. Despite these positive changes, I am concerned that he is in a critical juncture. While I believe he has the capability for a positive outcome, if he loses faith now and gives up, he could end up on a negative trajectory. My hope is that his continued connection to FONP will prevent a negative outcome.

What each guest has in common is humanity and the desire and right to be treated as a human being, a right which is reinforced by the quality of service and human connection offered at Friends of Night People. I am forever changed by my experience here and grateful for what I have learned from the staff and guests of this valuable organization.

Jennifer
UB, Social Work Intern