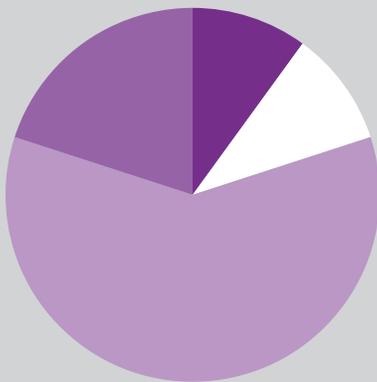


UPDATE

FUNDING FACTS...

Budget Breakdown

- **Parish Support** (10%)
- **United Way of the Plains** (10%)
- **Fee-for-service in programs** (60%)
- **Private Donations and Grants** (20%)



Thank you...

- Event sponsors
- Donors
- Grantors
- Church parishes
- Donors of food and hygiene items
- Volunteers

THE FACES OF ESS

Today, I walked into our front lobby and visited with a mother and baby waiting for lunch. Our front lobby can be very inviting to people who are lonely and are not sure what to do next in their life.

Then, I strolled through the Breakthrough Club program and saw members who struggle with symptoms of mental illness — they're answering phones, working on computers, and cleaning up the Clubhouse. Many (80%) of Breakthrough Club members volunteer in the ESS kitchen or in the Clubhouse. Currently 38% of the 181 members of Breakthrough are working in the Wichita community. (The employment rate of people with severe mental illness is 12% nationally).

Later in the day, our lobby comes alive with teenagers who have recently broken the law in one way or another. A few tell me they are struggling with family conflict and peer bullying. They've found that the Teen Intervention Program is a safe place to learn new coping skills. Our youth program has worked with more than 150 teens in 2015, 93% of whom have not reoffended by their one-year checkup. (The national average is 75%)

I walked upstairs, and found a new client talking with our payee program staff. She's been living on the streets, and finally made the decision to



Hope LIVES Here

ask for financial help. She brought everything she owned and loved with her to the appointment. There were bags and a suitcase outside the office. We were in the process of talking with our network of landlords who would consider working with her for safe and appropriate housing. The reasons individuals come to us as payee clients are many and varied, and by building relationships with our volunteers and staff, they can learn new skills for living day-to-day. As the largest Representative Payee program in the state, more than 40 volunteers serve this group of clients.

Finally, I end up in the Employment area where I see young adults on computers applying for jobs. When

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FACES OF ESS

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someone finds a job, we spread the news to staff and volunteers and everyone celebrates. But our work doesn't stop with job placement. Many low income workers jump from job to job; the stability of finding a career niche where they can obtain better pay and benefits eludes them. We provide ongoing supports to new workers so they can learn the culture of their worksite and adapt to the employment environment. We are trying to help people develop a career.

"By the end of this year, we need to raise over \$100,000 in private donations to pay for the wonderful programs I have mentioned."

*Barbara Andres,
Executive Director*

These are the faces of our celebrations and challenges at ESS. Lives are being changed and people are growing and learning to be successful. Personally, I want to see our programs stay strong.

This season, please give generously to Episcopal Social Services.

*Barbara Andres,
Ph.D., LMSW
Executive Director*



"There's something really beautiful about cooking for someone and feeding them."

GREEN LEAF CATERING

Green Leaf Café became Green Leaf Catering in July, 2015. The holiday season is here and your orders are invited! Whether you need cookies for Sunday morning, an order of box lunches for a group, or platters of specialty treats for a party, we've got something for your event! A single order will help cover the cost of feeding a minimum of five people as well as train three apprentices in food service. And, it's a way to 'pay it forward'! Call us today for a menu at 316-269-4160 ext. 113 or email us at Greenleaf@esswichita.org.



ATTEND A KINDNESS-IN-ACTION HOUR

The third Thursday of each month is set aside for Kindness In Action informational tours at ESS. Bring your family, friends, church groups or social clubs. You'll learn more about poverty and mental illness, and what we're doing to help. We provide a free lunch and a tour over the lunch hour.

For more information or to reserve your spot, contact us at 269-4160 ext 105 or info@esswichita.org.

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BREAKTHROUGH CLUB

Breakthrough Club of Wichita is a member-organization of Clubhouse International, a multi-national non-profit organization that helps communities around the world create sustainable solutions for mental illness by developing and nurturing new and existing Clubhouses. It's this kind of support and leadership that makes Breakthrough's programming so strong.

Members and staff attended The Clubhouse International Seminar in October in Denver, CO, where discussions and presentations focused on cutting-edge and fundamental Clubhouse practices and thinking.

Fountain House, a model clubhouse organization in New York, offered its Executive Fellowship program in October. David Kapten, Breakthrough Program Director completed the Fellowship this year. Each Fellow learns about current state-of-the-art nonprofit management techniques within standards-based practice.



They focus on staffing, demonstrating motivation, fostering a collaborative style of leadership and advocacy in the community.

International Seminar attendee quotes:

"I stopped counting how many times I was brought to tears."

"Moving and inspiring."

"Best conference I've attended...ever!"

"The interactions from all over the world taught me so much and I feel like I have colleagues and friends I can reach out to for help and encouragement as we grow our Clubhouse."

"I am so proud to be part of this movement."

"Amazing! Life changing!"

"Being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, forgotten by everybody, I think that is a much greater hunger, a much greater poverty than the person who has nothing to eat."

Mother Teresa

SAVE THE DATE

Development at Episcopal Social Services

At Episcopal Social Services, we work all year long to engage people as donors and volunteers, creating opportunities to fund our mission along the way. Our Night on the Red Carpet event is our largest event, scheduled next on Sunday, February 28, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. This black tie-optional event is a viewing party of the 88th Annual Academy Awards®. We'll be at a new location, so join us at the new Noah's Event Venue (east 13th street near the Waterfront Parkway). Purchasing event tickets or reserving a table is a fun and festive gift for the holidays!

For more event information, follow us on Facebook or visit our website, www.esswichita.org.

"All of our humanity is dependent upon recognizing the humanity in others."

Archbishop Desmond Tutu

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WHO DO WE APPRECIATE?

Our volunteers, of course! ESS celebrated volunteerism all summer and fall, culminating in a reception for our volunteers on October 29th. Every program in our organization enjoys dedicated volunteers who express their faith and compassion through one-on-one interaction with clients and club members. We couldn't do this important work with them! Hours donated so far in 2015 total 7,353, which equate to a value of \$169,633.71.

We need you. Here, you're relevant. You matter. And we all benefit.

Breakthrough Club	1,205 hours	Employment Program.....	1,094 hours
Building and Grounds.....	64 hours	Food Outreach	1,519 hours
Representative Payee.....	3,232 hours	Teen Intervention	239 hours
Board and Other.....	152 hours		

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov 12** Breakthrough Club scholarship fundraising reception
- Nov 17** Community Thanksgiving meal at ESS
- Dec 16** Community Christmas meal at ESS
- Dec 16** Winter clothing give-away at ESS
- Feb 28** Night on the Red Carpet Gala — Noah's