



## Ambassadors of Hope and Opportunity

### 2017 AHO Year End Report

TOTAL Income	\$267,328.14	
Expenses	210,835.20	
In Kind	111,413.10	42% of income

### 2017 Holiday Challenge Grant Matching Income \$32,411

30% over GOAL of \$25,000

Youth Served 152

Housing 40

The HYHF has served sixty-one youth since its inception in July 2016: 21 in the first year, and 40 in the second year. The HYHF has served sixty-one youth since its inception in July 2016, a year and a half ago; fifty-three with a room in a home or apartment with peers, and eight with emergency motel stays. Ten currently on the waiting list.

- All sixty-one youth beneficiaries of the HYHF received fast-tracking into employment with one of AHO's twelve employer partners; Old Navy, Goodwill, Starbucks, Ghilotti Construction, Safeway, Target, NorthBay Conservation Corp, Carpenter's Union, Laborers Union, City of San Rafael, Peets and Comcast.
- A total of forty-six youth received dental work through AHO's unique free dental program staffed by four Doctors of Dental Surgery, DDS, members of our AHO Alliance for Youth partnership.
  - Thirty-eight youth had major procedures such as wisdom teeth extractions, root canals, caps and the necessary x-rays and lab costs for these procedures;
  - Forty youth received teeth cleaning;
- Sixty youth received cell phones or assistance with their phone bill
- Twenty-five received assistance to purchase classroom books at College of Marin.

- Twenty-eight youth received ongoing weekly counseling by a professional MFT therapist.
- Fifteen received DMV identity cards.
- Twelve youth received legal assistance and adult ally support in court.
- Thirteen received eye exams and/or eye glasses.

## Top Resources - Housing, Jobs & Dental

### New Alliance for Youth partners in 2017 (21)

AHO began the year 2017 with a 99-member Alliance for Youth partner network of professionals, businesses, faith communities and organizations that assist AHO to provide comprehensive pro bono resources for our youth to achieve their goals.

As we begin year 2018, 21 new Alliance partners have come on board to increase our Alliance for Youth support network to 120 members.

New members include; Senator Mike McGuire, College of Marin President David Coon, Carpenter's Union, Laborer's Union, Karen Allen MCOE Program Director, Jessica Colvin, Director TUHSD, Students for Social Justice, Mill Valley Recreation Center, City of San Rafael and Anna Pletcher, attorney and former President of the Marin Women's Commission and candidate for District Attorney.

### Youth Team Projects

Spring 2017, Marin IJ Marin Voice article written by an AHO youth Larkin  
 Youth Mural project exhibited at COM  
 AHO-COM Youth Connect event – 100 youth served  
 Green Gulch Farm Youth Retreat – 12 participants  
 Launch of Free Dental Clinic

Fall 2017, Marin IJ Marin Voice article written by an AHO youth Christina  
 Town Hall Forum – 150 attended  
 Youth Mural project exhibited @ Dominican University

### Awards

March 2017- Marin Women's Hall of Fame Award in Social Change

November 2017 – Hivery We Rise scholarship

December 2017 – Heart of Marin – Innovation nomination





## **Challenges – Ongoing Funding**

The 2017 Holiday Challenge Grant of \$25,000 for operating support exceeded the goal by 28%, which was down from last year's challenge that exceeded the goal by 39%. Going forward, the challenge remains securing the funding needed to continue this successful housing program. AHO intends to build on the successes of the young people currently in the program to generate ongoing funding.

Through a 5K race in September 2018, media stories and our collaboration with Starbucks corporation, the Marin Dental Association, youth presentations in the schools and the community, we plan to galvanize more of the community to raise the funding regarding this critical issue. We are also in the process of launching a program of merchant services where some of our Alliance businesses will donate 25% of credit card charges to AHO.