

## AHO's Vision

**AHO** is a cost-effective relationship-based community engagement model designed to end youth homelessness in rural and suburban communities nationwide.



"Our deepest wish is for the entire community of Marin County (at every level) including individuals, businesses, agencies, faith communities, organizations and foundations to come together on behalf of our teens and young adults who are homeless. AHO offers a model that provides youth stability, an opportunity to 'beat the odds' and succeed in life."

- Zara Babitzke, MA  
AHO Founder and  
Executive Director



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### AHO Ambassadors of Hope and Opportunity

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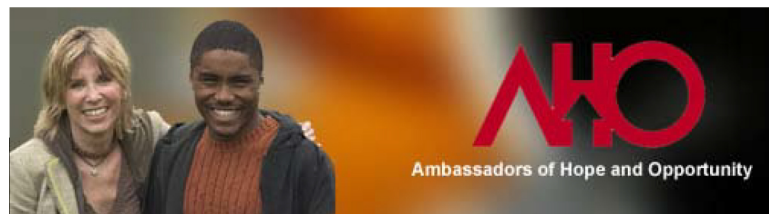
Ambassadors of Hope and Opportunity

## Helping Homeless Youth Find Hope



In Marin, one of the nation's wealthiest counties, 2,600 teens and young adults ages 18 to 25 are homeless

**The Ambassadors of Hope and Opportunity (AHO)** offers a safety net of stable housing, guidance and community connections for them.



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Changing Lives and Building Youth Leaders  
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## AHO's Success

Over 3,200 young adults are now in stable housing, working 1 to 3 jobs, going to college and "giving back" for the help they have received through the AHO Youth Team youth-led projects.

## AHO Services

Youth are matched with a caring adult ally coach to ensure access to resources.

### Housing

Levels of housing offered:

1. Room with a host family
2. Locating a room in a home
3. Finding apartments with peers

### The AHO model is unique:



- 1) **Giving Back** – Team building through the AHO Youth Task Force Team designing youth-led projects to bring awareness and funding to AHO.
- 2) **Leadership Opportunities** – Youth are outreach and program advisors, board members and spokespersons of their experience with community and political leaders.
- 3) **Direct Services** – Employment; Scholarships for College; Counseling; Legal Aid; Financial Clean-up; Wardrobe; Doctors & Dentists

## Fundraising Goal for 2020

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**\$200,000**

### AHO Fundraising Snapshot 2019

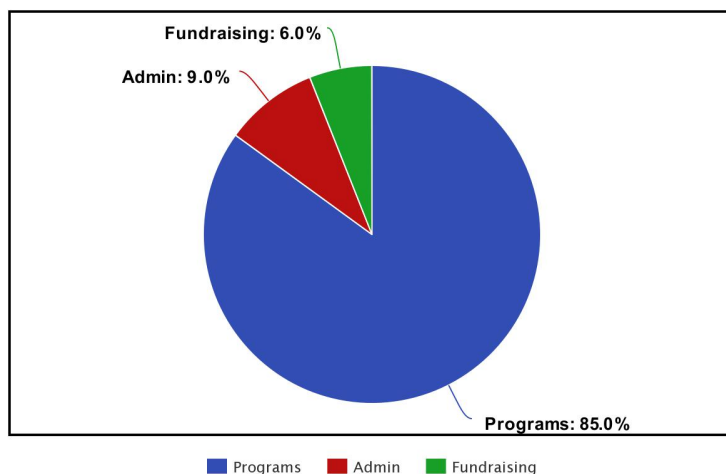
Income*	\$151,454
Expenses**	\$152,088

\* 27% in-kind donations

\*\*Programs (85%) Admin (9%) Fundraising (6%)

## Distribution of AHO Funds

The following chart breaks down the distribution of AHO funds:



■ Programs ■ Admin ■ Fundraising

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