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As we begin a new school year, We look back on our 2019 graduates.

It's true. We at Clear View like to celebrate student accomplishments, and the month of June brings with it one of the best reasons to make merry. Graduation. This June staff, families and friends came together to honor four students who worked hard, applied themselves and graduated from the Clear View School.

There are many factors that bring children to our school, and one major reason that keeps them here: the dedication and resolve of the teachers, clinicians and support staff. Our treatment teams offer children and their families a sense of belonging and thus a comfort in engaging with the larger community. In the pages of this newsletter, you will read about what makes Clear View so successful and how your support benefits students and their families living with mental health challenges.

The road to graduation isn't easy, as Eric B. can tell you. Not yet five years old when he first came to Clear View, Eric was too anxious to go into his orientation meeting to meet his teacher. No problem—his kindergarten teacher Ms. Alston

“The teachers at Clear View were as interested in learning about me as they were in teaching me.”

Ryan, 2019 Grad

(Ms. Czerwinski today) came to him, sat on the floor in the hallway and started a conversation. His parents never forgot this gesture and knew immediately that this school was the place for their son.



Fast forward to this year, when Eric told his teacher that he feels like “he woke up one day and suddenly knew who he was.” We know who he is, too. A high school graduate headed to college this fall to pursue theater and filmmaking. You go, Eric!

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A Look Inside The Numbers

By, Robert Farmer, Executive Director

This summer edition of our bi-annual newsletter

includes highlights of our 2018 Annual Report.

Please take a look at the enclosed pie charts. While Children's Day Treatment is accessed through the New York State Education System, the cost of providing comprehensive, continuous treatment is not fully funded under that system. Approximately 3% of our costs

are not covered by our rates. Items that are not fully funded include:

- Family treatment
- Psychiatric services
- 24-hour crisis intervention
- Outreach transportation services
- Staffing for safety and intensive case management
- Respite services when school is on break

In 2018, we had to rely on public support to help fill in the gap. I

extend sincere appreciation to all donors, foundations and corporations who gave generously.

With 2019 winding down, the struggle continues. We hope that you will contribute what you can to help us to continue to deliver academic and therapeutic treatment to children and adolescents in the community.

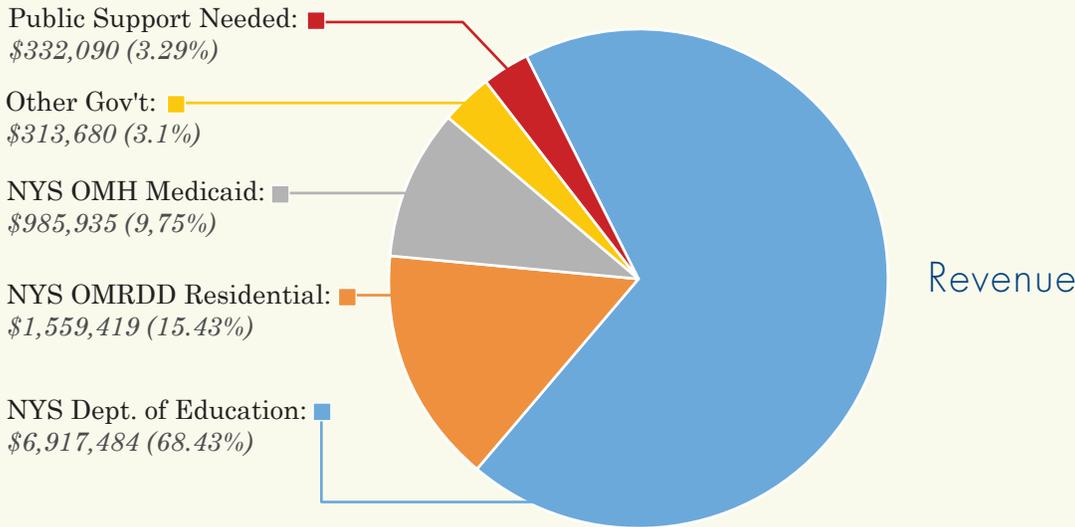
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Robert Farmer

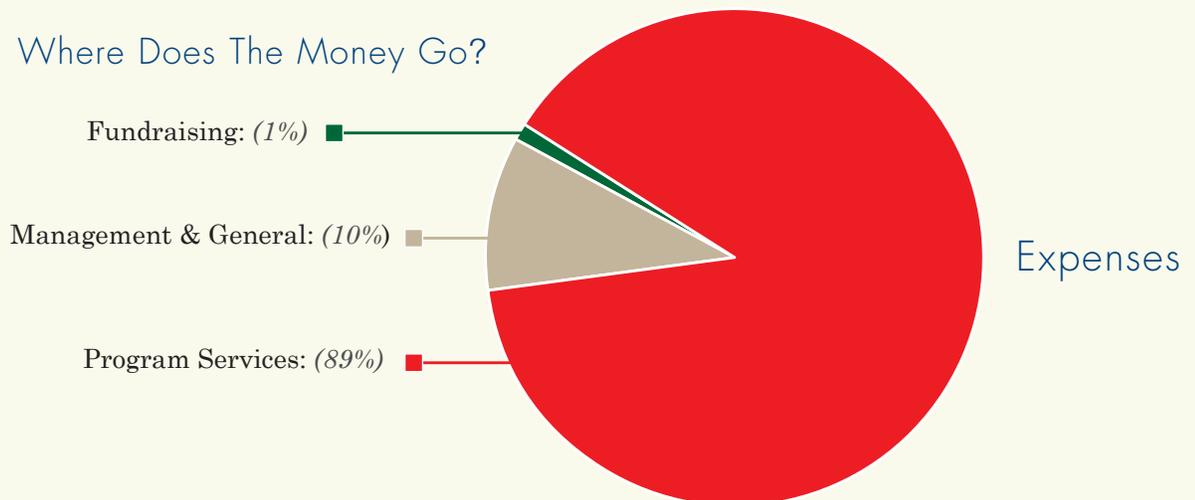
2018 Financial Snapshot

Annual Operating Cost vs. Government Support

Operating Expenses: \$10,108,608 • Government Support: \$9,776,518 • Needed to Meet Expenses \$332,090



Where Does The Money Go?



Service with a Smile

Students in the Clear View Café vocational program were the ones getting a treat this time.

Lisa LaRocca, reporter and self-described Foodie from News12 Westchester, visited our school this spring. She interviewed students who, under teacher supervision, plan, prepare, cook and serve lunch for students and staff. The interview aired on News12's popular segment "Lunch With Lisa," and is still available for viewing on www.news12westchester.com.

While the café is not open to the public, you may see these kids in action in November when they help guest Chef Raffaele Ronca when he prepares a special meal for our guests (see Page 4 for details).



Thank You Runners, Walkers, Sponsors, Donors & Kids!

The Clear View School's 2019 5K Run/Walk for the Kids was held on June 9. The weather reflected the sunny attitudes of our athletes, Kids' Fun Run participants and spectators.

WHUD Radio personality Tom Furci set the scene with lively tunes, prizes and medals for the winners.

Ossining Mayor Victoria Gearity helped School Director Jackie Hastings signal the beginning of the race.

This event is so much more than a fundraiser. It is truly a coming together of the community. We hope to see you next year!



On Family Day and throughout the year, staff and students work together to reach the top.



Students' faces "lit up" when they saw our school's name up on the Fan Marquee at Yankee Stadium. Special trips like this make for memorable summers at Clear View.

Report Card: How Did CV Students Do?

This year, one of our major success stories is the Regents exams our students took in June. If reading about Regents still brings shivers down your spine, you will certainly appreciate our impressive results.

Of the 24 teens who took the test, 18 passed with Regents-level credit, two more with local credit. The highest grade was 96% and there were several not far behind. This 83% pass rate is a source of pride for students, teachers and for the families who have placed their trust in Clear View to help each child, ages 3 to 21, to learn in the manner that best suits him or her.



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Save the Date

Lunch Italian Style with Guest Chef
Raffaele Ronca

Sunday, November 10, 2019
1:00 pm at The Clear View School
Briarcliff Manor, NY

Mangia bene! We invite you to eat well and enjoy a Sunday afternoon with friends and family at the Clear View School's special fundraising event of the year.

We are pleased to welcome back Chef Raffaele Ronca, owner of Rafele NYC and his newest Westchester establishment Rafele Rye.

With the help of Clear View students from our hospitality vocational program, Chef Ronca will display the culinary talents that made him Chopped Champion on Food Network's hit show *Chopped*.

As always, proceeds from this event enable us to inspire, encourage and motivate students and instill hope to families.

Buy tickets. Secure a table. Become a Sponsor.
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