

ANNUAL REPORT 2023



FAMILY
advocates

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Fiscal year 2023 saw Family Advocates focused on the future of the families we serve and our organization. We created a 3-year strategic plan, looking at each aspect of the organization and where we could foster growth, create opportunities for our families, and build a strong future for the organization.

We extended our reach in the community by hosting new events; our very first annual For the Love of a Child Gala where over 200 guests attended a beautiful evening in support of our mission, the first ever Strive Life Skills Conference for our Family Strengthening Education Program, and our CASA program offered the first ever Fostering Futures Training for staff and Guardians to learn how to support older youth in our foster care system.

We welcomed new community partners such as Hubble Homes and continued to strengthen long term partnerships with the University of Idaho Law School and local school districts.

I'd like to thank our dedicated and passionate Board of Directors, staff, Guardians, pro-bono attorneys, community partners, volunteers, and donors. Your unwavering support is what allows us to continue the often hard and emotional work we do for families in the valley. Your time, your dedication, and your support are truly and humbly appreciated.

We've taken the necessary steps and our future certainly looks bright. As we look to the future in FY24 please join us in Building Hope Together as we continue to support local families and children and embark on creating a new Family Resiliency Center for Family Advocates. Stay tuned as we share exciting news in the upcoming months.



With Gratitude,

kathryn seebold

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

OUR WORK



SAFE KIDS.
STRONG FAMILIES.
BRAVE VOLUNTEERS.

Family Advocates' mission is to strengthen families and keep kids safe by empowering everyday people to protect and enrich the lives of youth.



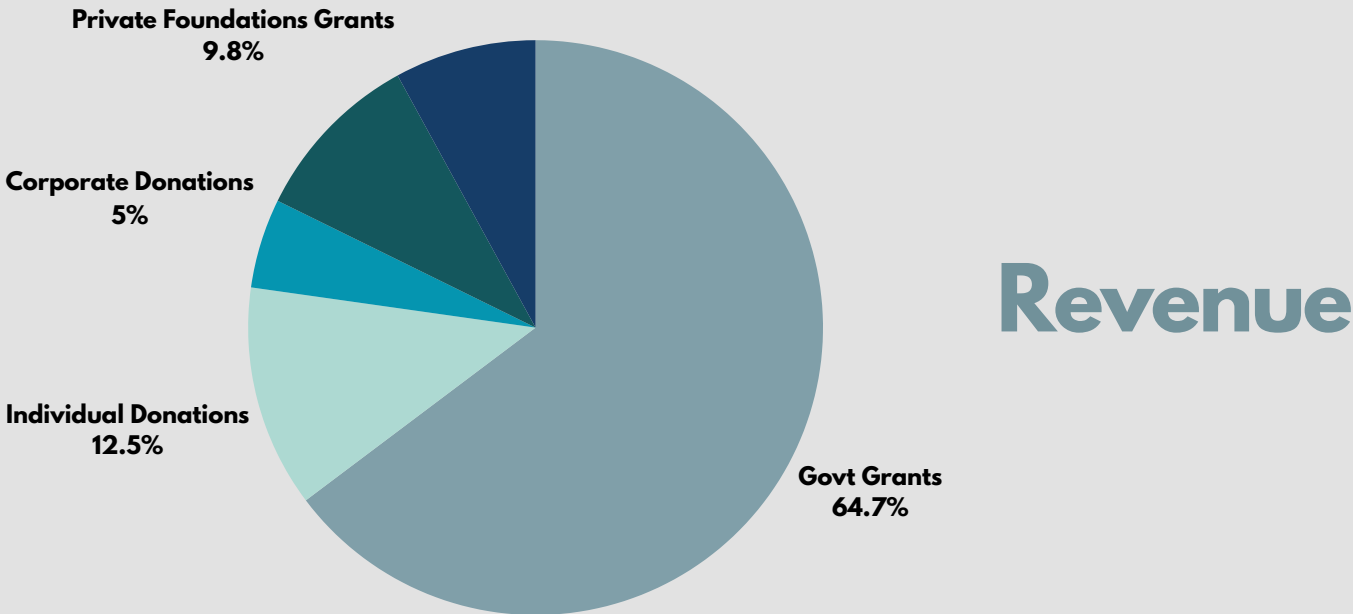
Built on the STRONG framework and the Five Protective Factors this program reaches all populations and demographics, teaches and trains them with skills needed to strengthen bonds within families, and sends them into the community, armed with the strategies needed to build a healthier family unit, reducing stress, and advancing hope.



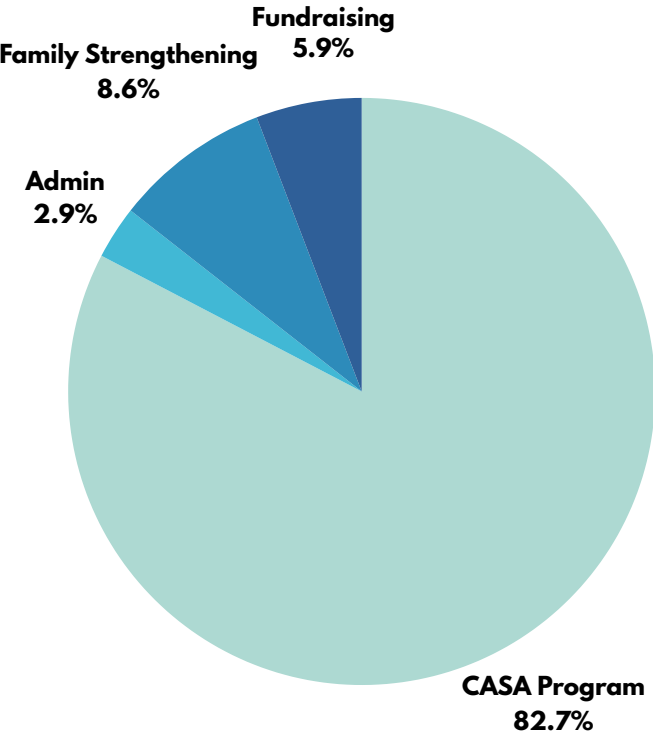
We recruit, train, and support volunteer child advocates, called Guardians ad Litem, as well as pro-bono attorneys to represent these volunteers, in the Fourth Judicial District (Ada, Boise, Elmore, and Valley Counties). Become a volunteer and support our efforts by investigating cases of child abuse, neglect, and abandonment and then advocating for those children in court to make sure the child's voice is heard.

FINANCIALS

Total Net Assets: \$1,570,568
Total Revenue: \$1,356,916
Total Expenses: \$1,487,827



Funds Distribution



HIGHLIGHTS



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COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES



Over 16,000 hours were donated by volunteers in support of the CASA Program.

In FY23, the 4th Judicial District CASA Program served 100% of the children appointed to the CASA Program with a volunteer Guardian ad Litem. Guardians ad Litem and pro bono attorneys donated 13,376.87 hours and drove 64,720 miles to provide best interest advocacy for foster children in our community. In FY23, CASA recruited and trained 31 new Guardians ad Litem and 10 new pro bono attorneys.

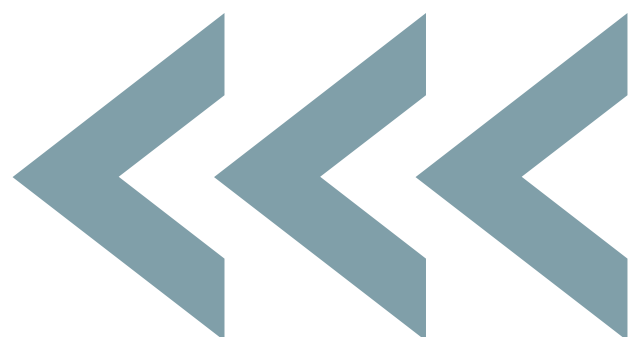


Children Served

- Children appointed to the CASA Program: 541
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Volunteers

- Guardians ad Litem: 161
- Pro Bono Attorneys: 84



FAMILY STRENGTHENING EDUCATION



In FY23, we expanded our course offerings by developing an Advanced Resiliency course for those who have graduated from the family resiliency course and want to learn more. We also increased the accessibility of our program by offering our Family Resiliency course in Spanish.

In addition to our courses, The Family Strengthening Education Program also hosted our first ever STRIVE conference. This conference featured informational sessions on various topics related to life skills as well as booths in which various community partners were able to share resources with those who attended.





Children Served: 261
Adults (Caregivers) Served: 146
Courses Offered: 18
Individual Classes Offered: 204

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info@familyadvocates.org

 Learn about volunteer opportunities by emailing volunteer@familyadvocates.org

 Want to learn more about arranging legacy gifts? Call 208-345-3344.

