

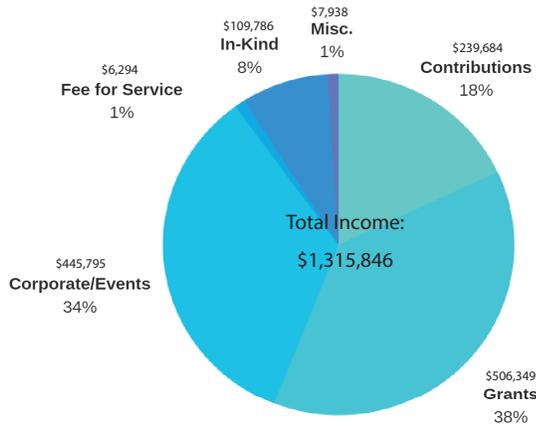
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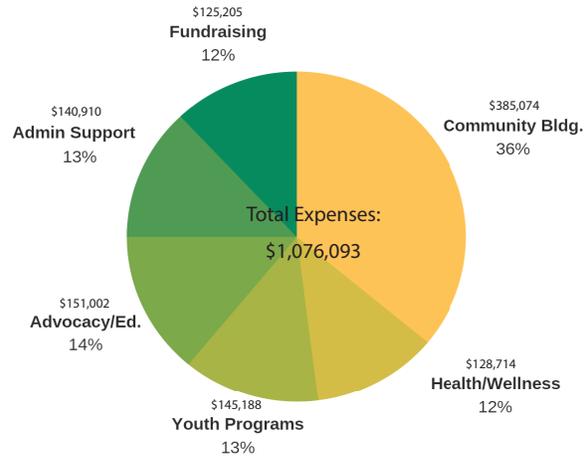
2017 Impact Report



REVENUE BY SOURCE



ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES



REVENUE + EXPENSES

These figures represent data from fiscal year 2017. More financial information can be found at www.saccenter.org.



17,000 Pride participants demonstrating activism and celebrating diversity and love in the community.



Camp Camp, an LGBTQ summer camp experience of fun, family, and friends.



Engaging the community with 24 policy initiatives to advance equity and justice for all.



Increasing visibility that LGBTQ people exist everywhere, including sports Equality Nights.



93 Trainings and Workshops creating more affirming workplaces, schools, and doctors offices.

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*Fiscal year 2018 only



200

people received HIV/HCV tests and more than 75,000 condoms, dental dams, lube, and other barriers were distributed.



5,200

community resource referrals provided, including medical, mental health, employment, housing, public benefits, and professional services.



600

adult and 462 youth visitors attended group meetings per month, including social, peer support, and addiction recovery.



622

unique adults and 336 youth received mental health respite to take a break from the stress of their daily lives in a safe and affirming space.



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new housing program created for emergency shelter and transitional living solutions, including wrap-around services and case management.

OUR MISSION IN ACTION... ZACH'S STORY.

Most youth experiencing homelessness are eager to talk to our advocates or case managers when they come to our Q-Spot youth drop-in center. They tell hair-raising and heartbreaking stories of parental rejection, substance abuse, violent assault, the sex industry, and sleeping under bridges and in cars that are left unlocked. Zach was different. He walked through our doors with nothing but the clothes on his back, and the look on his face told the story of hopelessness. We gave him a bag lunch and he sat down in the corner and dug into that sandwich like he hadn't eaten in days.

He still wouldn't say much and we didn't press it. His emotional scars were deep and may have prevented him from opening up or getting along with others. He did accept some new clothes and survival supplies and we were hopeful when he showed up at the Q-Spot again the next day. Zach took a shower and felt the day's challenges begin to wash away. He nourished himself, received fresh clothes and talked, a little hesitantly at first. And he continued to visit every day thereafter (the Q-Spot is open 7 days a week). He began to look like an 18-year-old boy again.

We still didn't know where he went each night after leaving the Q-Spot but each day he spoke a little more to Kelsie, our peer youth advocate. One morning when they were talking he got up from the table quickly and stormed out the door. We thought that was the last we'd see of Zach, but a couple of days later, he stood at the Q-Spot door and asked for Kelsie. They went into a room and closed the door. They stayed there for hours. Eventually, Kelsie came out with a big smile on her face and said Zach would be attending our youth support group that night. We gave Zach the meal we had been saving for him.

At the Center, Zach found much more than a safe place to hang out. He found a home and a family. Day by day, month by month, over the course of a year, staff built a relationship and his attitude toward life changed. He went from struggling to survive on the street to being stably housed. Through our support groups and events, Zach's mental health began to improve, and he found inspiration for future possibilities. He started to think about not just getting by, but a career--a dream job. He started thinking about his future and his aspirations.

Zach found his "chi" at the Center. He remains a part of our day-to-day lives even as we share this story. He's even explored new hobbies. He's an avid bike rider, runner, and loves exploring mindfulness and meditation in his free time. Inspired by the support of the Center, Zach volunteered to join our 2018 team as a rider for the NorCal AIDS Cycle. He and a group of staff, volunteers, and supporters spent days training for this 4-day ride across Northern California, raising funds and educating the public on issues surrounding HIV and AIDS. At the Sacramento LGBT Community Center, Zach found much more than a facility.

From just barely surviving each day on the street, toward believing in a brighter future, and even giving back to his community, Zach's story exemplifies our mission to create a region where LGBTQ+ people are not only safe and welcome, but able to thrive together.



BEING AT THE CENTER HAS CHANGED THE WAY I THINK, AND CHANGED THE WAY I ACT. IT HAS GIVEN ME THE GUIDANCE I NEVER FOUND AT HOME AND THE COURAGE THAT I DIDN'T KNOW I HAD.

— Zach



75 CENTS OF EVERY DOLLAR DONATED IS SPENT DIRECTLY ON PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

WE PROUDLY WORK WITH OVER **900** AMAZING VOLUNTEERS TO FULFILL OUR MISSION.



The Sacramento LGBT Community Center's mission is to create a region where LGBTQ people thrive. We support the health and wellness of the most marginalized, advocate for equality and justice, and work to build a culturally rich LGBTQ community.

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