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deserve the best in
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Letter from Leadership

Dear Friends and Supporters,

This year marks an inspiring new chapter for the Children's Home Society of Idaho. From exciting leadership updates to the joy of returning to our beautifully restored historic home, 2025 has been a year of growth, gratitude, and momentum.

We are thrilled to announce the appointment of Christopher Stock as Chief Executive Officer of the Children's Home Society of Idaho. This new leadership role represents our continued commitment to strengthening our organization for the future. Christopher will oversee operations and guide our vision as we continue expanding our impact across Idaho.

At the same time, Anselme Sadiki has transitioned into a new role as Executive Director of Fundraising, a position that allows him to focus on what he does best: building relationships, fostering community partnerships, and leading our Capital Campaign to ensure every child and family we serve has the resources they need to thrive.

Another exciting milestone: we are home again! After being away since October 2024, our team has officially moved back into our historic Warm Springs Avenue building and we couldn't be happier. Thanks to the generosity of the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation, we had a temporary home during renovations, allowing our programs to continue uninterrupted. We celebrated the completion of Phases 1 and 2 of our restoration with a ribbon cutting in September. It was an emotional and joyful moment for our entire community.

We extend heartfelt thanks to the donors listed on the back of this report, whose generosity made these completed phases possible. However, our work is not done. The Capital Campaign continues as we look ahead to Phases 3 and 4, focusing on restoring the exterior of our beloved historic building and ensuring its legacy endures for generations to come.

Alongside these efforts, our Community Support Program continues to thrive thanks to the kindness of our donors. Their generosity helps us strengthen families and restore hope by providing accessible, compassionate mental health care for children and families in our community.

Together, with your support, we are building not only a stronger home, but a stronger community for Idaho's children and families.

With gratitude,



Christopher Stock Chief Executive Officer



Anselme Sadiki Executive Director of Fundraisina



Mark Miller Board President



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For more than a century, the heart of our mission has remained the same: when a community comes together, lives change for generations.







Preserving the Past

For more than a century, the Children's Home has stood as a pillar of compassion and care in Boise. Founded in 1908, our historic building has served generations of children and families, evolving from a traditional orphanage into a center for healing and hope. Its sandstone walls stand as enduring symbols of resilience, honoring the dedication and generosity of those who came before us. Throughout every era, one thing has remained constant, our unwavering commitment to providing a safe, nurturing space where children and families can find the support they need to grow and thrive.









Building the Future

As we honor our legacy, we are equally focused on the road ahead. With the continued restoration of our historic home and the expansion of innovative programs like nature-based therapy and school-based counseling, we are creating new ways to meet the growing mental health needs of Idaho's children and families. Thanks to our supporters, donors, and partners, we are not only preserving a piece of Boise's history but also shaping a stronger, more hopeful future, one where every child has the opportunity to heal, to belong, and to flourish.

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Stepping Down

We would like to extend our **heartfelt gratitude** to Jesse Hamilton and Tyler Anderson for their dedicated service on our Board of Directors. Their leadership, generosity, and commitment to the mission of the Children's Home have made a lasting impact. We are deeply grateful for the time, care, and insight they shared during their years of service, and we wish them the very best in all that lies ahead.

The Heart of Our Mission

Children's Home Counseling Center

Every day, children and families walk through our doors looking for hope and they find it through compassionate care and connection. At Children's Home Counseling Services, our dedicated clinicians provide emotional, behavioral, and mental health support for children, teens, and families through a variety of therapeutic approaches. During our 2024–2025 fiscal year, we **provided 18,884 sessions** that included individual and family counseling, peer groups, medication management, psychological evaluations, nature-based and animal-assisted therapy and school-based counseling.

Behind each session is a story of courage - a child learning to manage anxiety, a family rebuilding trust, or a teen discovering new ways to cope. Our counselors create safe, supportive spaces where healing begins through understanding, empathy, and connection. Together, we're helping families grow stronger and ensuring that every child knows they are never alone on their journey toward wellness.

Nature-Based and Animal-Assisted Therapy

At Children's Home Counseling Services, we believe healing can happen anywhere connection and compassion are found, even in the company of animals and the quiet of open fields. Through our Nature-Based and Animal-Assisted Therapy program, clients experience the powerful bond between people, nature, and animals as part of their therapeutic journey. Our trained and certified clinicians currently provide sessions at **Warm Springs Care Farm** in Boise and **One by One Foundation**, located in Meridian, with plans underway to expand to additional farms across the Treasure Valley. These serene, hands-on environments offer children and families a unique space to grow, build trust, and find peace in nature. We are deeply grateful to our partners at Warm Springs Care Farm and the One by One Foundation for opening their hearts and their farms to make this healing work possible.

Nature-Based and Animal-Assisted Training

Beyond serving our clients, this program also empowers the wider mental health community. Through specialized clinical training and certification, we're equipping professionals with the tools to integrate nature-based therapy into their own practices. Each participant earns continuing education (CE) hours, and upon completing the training, they have the opportunity to join our membership program, a growing network for clinicians across the Treasure Valley. This program fosters ongoing learning, collaboration, and support among mental health professionals dedicated to growth and community care. Thanks to a **generous \$300,000 grant from KeyBank**, we're expanding our reach and creating more opportunities for both therapists and clients to experience the transformative power of nature and connection.

Training Center

At the Children's Home Training Center, we take pride in being a hub for professional growth and collaboration across the Treasure Valley. As an ACEP member and NBCC-certified organization, we provide continuing education opportunities for both our staff and mental health professionals throughout Idaho. In our previous fiscal year, we delivered 1,179 total training hours.

This year's sessions covered timely topics such as Ethics and Scope of Work, Healing From the Inside Out: Resiliency-Informed Somatic Therapy for Trauma Healing, and Suicide Prevention with a focus on LGBTQ+ youth. These trainings strengthen clinical skills, community partnerships, and resilience within the mental health field. Notably, 80% of our clinicians are EMDR-trained, a highly effective therapy that helps individuals process and heal from trauma by reducing emotional distress and fostering lasting positive outcomes.

We also offer an Internship Program that helps address Idaho's mental health provider shortage. Many interns gain valuable hands-on experience and go on to join our team as full-time clinicians, continuing their commitment to care for children and families in our community.

Supporting Students Where They Are

At Children's Home Counseling Services, we believe that every child deserves access to quality mental health care, no matter where they are. By providing counseling directly in schools and at the Boys & Girls Club of Ada County, we remove barriers such as transportation and scheduling challenges, ensuring students get the support they need during the school day.

In our 2024 - 2025 fiscal year, our **school-based counselors worked with 100 students** across multiple schools, providing **1,654 sessions** focused on emotional, behavioral, and social well-being. At the Boys & Girls Club, we reached an additional **14 students**, delivering **108 sessions** that helped youth build confidence, resilience, and connection.

These partnerships allow us to meet children where they feel most comfortable; at school and in their community—offering early intervention and a safe, consistent space to talk, learn, and grow. Together, we're helping students thrive both in and out of the classroom.

Community Connections

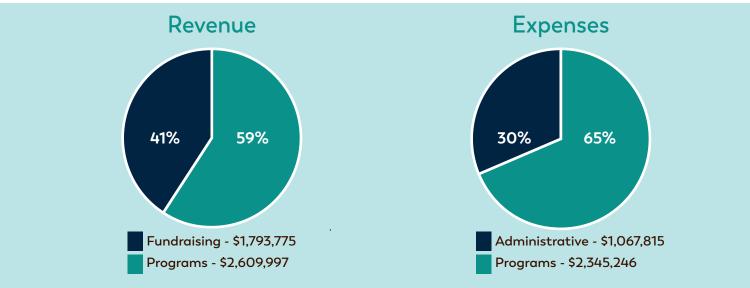
Community is at the heart of everything we do. Through our outreach drives, partnerships, and new initiatives, we bring people together to support children and families in meaningful ways. This year, our Backpack Drive helped local students start the school year ready to learn, while our Winter Wear Giveaway kept families warm through the colder months. Thanks to the generosity of partners like Pennecard Real Estate, Pacific Source, Pacific Crest, Boise East Rotary, Alpha Lambda Tau Sorority Inc., and countless donors and volunteers, these efforts remind families they are seen, valued, and supported. Together, they help extend our mission beyond counseling, creating a ripple of kindness and connection that strengthens our entire community.

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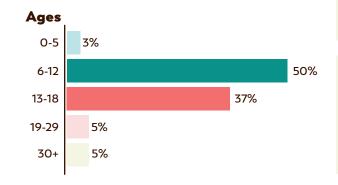
We have also expanded our reach through The Mindful Mic, an original podcast exploring real conversations about mental health. Hosted by Colbi Twiss and Grace Shimatsu, the podcast features guests like Jake Stockton of The Continuation Project and professional skier Drew Petersen, who share powerful stories of resilience, hope, and healing. Each episode reminds us that through honest storytelling, we find understanding, connection, and the courage to keep the conversation going.



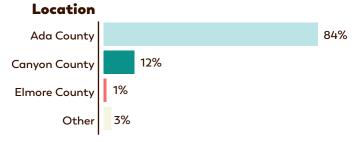
A Year in Review: At a Glance



Demographics



Private Medicaid Medicaid/Private Uninsured 8%



Total Encounters: 18,884

Financial Support

Number of Subsidized Sessions: **895**Total Subsidy Amount: **\$69,592**

Low-income Clients: 44%

School Support

Clients Seen in Schools: **100** School-Based Sessions: **1,654**

Clients Seen at Boys & Girls Club: **14** Sessions at Boys & Girls Club: **108**

Professional Training Support

Continuing Education Hours Provided: **369** (Community-Based Trainings)

Total Continuing Education Hours Provided: **1,179** (Community-Based and In-House Trainings)

Nature-Based and Animal-Assisted Therapy Support

Clients Seen: **49** Sessions: **376**

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We extend our heartfelt appreciation to everyone who has supported this important work. Your generosity and belief in our mission have allowed us to preserve our history while building a brighter future for the children and families we serve.

Each contribution has helped bring our vision to life, restoring not only our building but the spirit of hope it represents.

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Your support helps us provide essential mental health care to those most in need. Every tax-deductible gift to our Community Support Program makes a lasting difference for children and families.

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