Children in contrast

Children’s FRIEND

2011 Annual Report
Rhode Island has the highest percentage of single-parent households in New England, and 37% of them live in poverty.

Rhode Island has the highest percentage of children living in poverty among the six New England states: 1 in 6.

The rate of violent crime in Providence is 2.5 times that of the rest of the state; Central Falls is more than twice; and Pawtucket nearly two-thirds.

Average cost of center-based infant day care in the state is $11,400/year.

Rhode Island Early Head Start Services only had enough funding for 519 of the estimated 8,000 income-eligible children to participate.

Statistics courtesy of 2012 Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook: www.rikidscount.org

A tale of four shootings. In the state with the highest rate of child poverty in New England, Children’s Friend serves the cities where children suffer the most: Central Falls, Pawtucket, and Providence.

From delayed prenatal care to abuse and neglect, from high unemployment and poverty to limited access to quality education, from teen pregnancy to homelessness, the 64,000 children and their families in these three cities face daily challenges.

Safety in the streets is another one.
“Our centers are a refuge from everyday violence,” acknowledges Julie Casimiro, Children’s Friend Vice President Advancement. As she leads a tour of the Berkshire Street Center near the Chad Brown neighborhood, she stops on the sidewalk outside.

“There were four shootings in this neighborhood over 11 months,” She points down Donelson Street. “The first was over Memorial Day weekend in 2010, a killing of a young man at a party.”

She points in a different direction. “The second was later that summer at the gas station around the corner.

“The third was in November 2010, about 100 feet from our building.”

“And the fourth was last April, on a Sunday. Two teens chased and shot at two other teens right across our playground behind the building, at 4 in the afternoon!”

“This is the world our children experience. We owe them more.”
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Children’s Friend operates sites in 10 locations in Providence, Pawtucket, and Central Falls.

We operate family support centers in Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls.

In 2011, Children’s Friend was able to serve...

» 1,292 children ages 3-5 through Head Start, a comprehensive center-based and program that promotes school readiness.

» 719 families received crisis intervention, parent support, and other services through the Family Support Centers in Central Falls and Providence.

» 648 early care and school age education professionals, who took advantage of training and technical assistance programs.

To learn more about any of the Children’s Friend programs: www.childrensfriendri.org/services.html

Where everybody knows your name. Regardless of the conditions outside, once a child is inside any of Children’s Friend ten sites, he or she (and family) are home!

In Providence, Pawtucket or Central Falls, our sites are child-happy spaces. Most have gone through major renovations. At the Friendship Center, for example, children can now go directly to the playground without passing through the parking lot. The parent-run Policy Council now has a room for meetings.

Just as important, Children’s Friend is a good neighbor. “The Elmwood community needed our presence,” says Beverly, the Child Development Supervisor, about moving into the classrooms once occupied by the San Miguel School.

“We have eight classes of happy preschoolers livening up the neighborhoods. When we go out on the playground, people open the doors of their houses and smile. ‘Miss Maria’, the children’s librarian at the Elmwood Library, comes to visit. The Broad Street Fire Station brought a fire truck over.”

The story is repeated on Dexter Street in Central Falls, where Children’s Friend organized the clean-up of two community playgrounds. Staff and volunteers rebuilt the playgrounds at Garfield and Jenks Parks, while the Red Sox, CVS, and Covidien donated 500 backpacks stuffed with school supplies and lunchboxes.

In both Central Falls and Providence, Children’s Friend holds summer concerts for the neighborhoods. “It’s just the right thing to do,” concludes Julie Casimiro.
Between 2008-2010, 6.3% of Rhode Island’s children – 1 in 13 – were not covered by health insurance.

Rhode Island has the highest teen birth rate in New England: 26.8 births/1,000 teens ages 15-19.

Between 2006-2010, 4,500 women in the core cities experienced delayed or no prenatal care, twice as many women as the rest of the state.

In 2011, 417 babies were born at high risk, namely to unmarried teens who hadn’t finished high school.

Rhode Island’s food pantries and soup kitchens now feed 60,000 people a month; four out of ten households served include children.

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At risk even before birth.
Rhode Island KIDS COUNT is blunt about the facts.

“When a child is born to a teenage, unmarried mother who has not graduated from high school, he or she is nine times more likely to grow up in poverty.”

Consider the environment. Will the mother-to-be have health insurance, good eating habits, be free of substance abuse, and diligently keep doctor’s appointments?

Will she have enough to eat during the pregnancy, a supportive family, and sufficient exercise? Will she live in a safe and clean house and neighborhood?

When the baby is born, the same questions are asked again, with even more insistence. Again, KIDS COUNT points out:

“Young children who are eligible for WIC [a nutrition program offered for women, infants, and children] but not participating in the program are more likely to be in poor health, be at risk for developmental delays, be underweight, be short for their age, and/or experience food insecurity [which can] lead to impaired cognitive and socio-emotional development, limiting school achievement.”

Bleak origins
Essential help for the first-time mother: Anna came to Rhode Island from her native Ukraine to attend college. She fell in love with this country, and with Diego, a hard-working young man originally from Guatemala. When she became pregnant, Anna was a perfect candidate for the Children’s Friend Nurse Family Partnership program (NFP). “We start working with moms during their pregnancy and continue providing support though the child’s second birthday” explains Darryle, a Nurse home visitor, one of the five registered nurses on the NFP team, each of whom supports 25 families.

The program follows the Nurse-Family Partnership model as designed by Dr. David Olds, a developmental psychologist 30 years ago. It works. A 15-year New York study shows:

- 56 percent fewer doctor and hospital visits due to childhood injuries
- 48 percent less incidence of child abuse and neglect through child age 15
- 83 percent increase in workforce participation by unmarried mothers by the time their child is 4 years old

“Anna is the expert in her own life,” says her nurse. “My work is to help her recognize her own strengths and identify and achieve her goals”. 

In 2011, Children’s Friend was able to serve...

- 381 family child care providers through the Child and Adult Care Food Program, providing financial assistance and nutrition counseling.
- 292,037 healthy and nutritious meals to children in our classrooms.
- 719 families who received crisis intervention, parent support, & other services.
- 1,884 families with home-based outreach services through First Connections, which promotes the health of mothers and their newborn children.
- 6,798 families through WIC, providing healthy foods, nutrition education and referrals to other resources.
- 121 families through the Nurse Family Partnership, nurse home visits for low-income, first-time moms 24 years old and younger.
- 479 infants and toddlers through the Early Intervention Program, providing therapy and educational services.
Rhode Island has the highest percentage of children living in poverty among the six New England states: 1 in every 6.

Between 2006-2010, 12,915 children under 6 lived below the poverty threshold.

In 2011, Rhode Island had the nation’s third highest unemployment rate: 11.3%.

Youth are having babies. Rhode Island has the highest rate of teen pregnancy in New England.

Children witnessed 1,659 cases of domestic abuse in their homes in 2010.

In 2011 alone, 3,158 children were found to have been abused or neglected. Half the victims were 6 years or younger. One third were under age 3.

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The equation almost always begins with poverty. A mother, usually, and her two children live at the federal “threshold” of poverty at $18,123 – no more than $1,500 a month to pay for rent, food, utilities, transportation, child care, and health.

How did she get there? There are several possibilities.

They can begin with disabilities or discrimination or a teen who leaves high school without a diploma or a job, condemning him or herself to a fraction of the life’s income she/he might have otherwise earned.

If she gets pregnant, she risks not getting proper medical attention. She, and possibly the baby’s father, end up in substandard housing, further endangering themselves and the child.

The other factors that brought us here or that result? Domestic violence, unemployment, mental health issues, and substance abuse, to name a few.

Everyone hurts, but the child pays with his future.

Nights going to bed hungry, mornings going to school hungry. Walking a dangerous neighborhood in fear. Compromised health. Lack of a positive male role model. Reduced expectations for the future.
In 2011, Children’s Friend was able to serve...

» 1,097 children and their family members, with individual and family counseling, addressing issues of loss, parent-child conflict, school and behavioral issues, and more.

» 719 families through the Family Support Centers in Central Falls and Providence, with a full spectrum of crisis intervention and parent support.

» 250 families through the Family Care Community Partnership, a collaboration with Family Service of RI, Comprehensive Community Action Program, The Providence Center, and Tides Family Service, to provide wrap-around services.

» 164 families with substance abuse issues with intensive, home-based services through Project Connect to overcome addiction and safely parent their children.

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Ever After: When her son Ever was born, Marilyn couldn’t stop crying. Post partum depression affects one in 10 mothers, and Marilyn had an additional factor. DCYF was preparing to take permanent custody of her other children. “I was depressed because I wasn’t with my children,” Marilyn says. DCYF suspected Marilyn of substance abuse.

Enter Project Connect, a Children’s Friend partnership with DCYF to keep children safe by making homes substance free. “Our special goal from the start was to bring Marilyn’s family back together,” notes her caseworker, Regina.

A team of experts delivers a formidable list of services. Children’s Friend assesses the home and institutes a treatment plan. The plan provides case management, counseling, couples work, parent education, nursing services, transportation, and links to basic needs, like housing and health care.

And, typical of Children’s Friend, the services weren’t limited to Project Connect. Ever and Marilyn’s other children were connected to Early Head Start, Early Intervention, afterschool programs, and financial support. She remembers, “They said, ‘This is your team, Marilyn,’” including her in monthly staff meetings. “Even when I didn’t want to, I knew I had to listen. I love them!”

Children’s Friend also worked with the clinicians and temporary homes assigned to Ever’s brothers and sisters towards reunification.

Today Ever, now 2, is surrounded by his siblings. “And I am able to provide for each and every one of them, thanks to Children’s Friend,” Marilyn says with pride.
On December 31, 2011, 1,988 children were in out-of-home placements, including:

» 1,102 in foster care
» 247 in group homes
» 202 in residential facilities
» 36 in shelter care.

An estimated 30% of children in foster care could return home with adequate housing.

Half of the children in foster care are under age 5.

On September 30, 2011, 297 children in the custody of DCYF were waiting to be adopted, including:

» 1% were under age 1
» 29% were ages 1-5
» 25% were ages 6-10
» 31% were ages 11-15
» 9% were 16 and older
» 5% age unknown.

One in four people in a Rhode Island homeless facility is a child; half of them are under age 6.

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They can’t go home. The original vision of Children’s Friends Society in 1834 was to house in its orphanages or find homes for the lost and abandoned children who increasingly appeared on its doorsteps.

The children of all ages were victims of poverty, abuse, and abandonment. Children who desperately need a stable home still exist. They are now in DCYF care or Women & Infants hospital waiting for foster families.

They are also getting younger, reports Dana Mullen, Assistant Vice President of Programs. “The children used to be 5 or 6,” she notes. “Now they’re between birth and 3.”

The causes remain the same. Poverty strips away a family’s ability to provide the essentials. Perhaps the breadwinner’s loss of self-confidence – in a state with more than 11% unemployment – leads to substance abuse. It’s a short trip to domestic abuse and abuse and/or neglect of the children.

Teens – just a few years from childhood themselves – gave birth to more than 5,000 babies between 2006-2010. Maternity ward nurses witness other new moms with mental health issues or significant cognitive limitations. As mandated reporters, they call DCYF to intervene.

Nearly one in three of Rhode Island’s 223,956 children live in the four “core cities” where the odds are stacked up against them.

For too many children, it is still hard to go home.
Home at last. Like many young girls, Amy planned to be a mom. But her dream had a twist. “When I was 14, I babysat for a family who adopted one daughter, and had one biological child. They were so happy, so special. I decided that’s what I wanted.”

Amy and her “Prince Charming” Mark, put Amy’s dream into action. They contacted Children’s Friend to pursue their dream of building their family through foster care and adoption. After taking foster care parent training, the couple were soon caring for and parenting an 8-day-old boy.

“Children’s Friend provided so much support,” Amy says. “Whenever I called, whatever I needed: emotional support, a crib, car seat or stroller; they’d say, ‘We’ll get it for you.’”

After nine months, however, DCYF and family court placed the baby with his grandparents. “I learned that your responsibility is to love them like your own. Feel good that you gave them the best care you could.”

Five weeks later, Mark and Amy called their social worker and told her, “We’re ready.” They soon met 5-day-old Cody. His biological mother allowed the couple to adopt him.

“It’s an emotional roller coaster ride,” Amy admits. “But when we need to talk, we can call Children’s Friend anytime.”

The caseworker, Amy, returns the compliment. “When our permanency team was considering who might be good parents for Sean, who lacked permanency in his life, we immediately thought of Amy and Mark. They have a ton of love.”

“Cody and Sean will give us much more than we can ever give them,” Amy and Mark agree. Dream fulfilled.
dear Friend...

You provide the color where there’s often only black and white

Sadly, some unfortunate facts of life for Rhode Island’s children haven’t changed since Harriet Ware began the Children’s Friend Society 178 years ago. Nearly two centuries later, one in six children – 38,733 blameless, promising babies, toddlers, adolescents, and teens – still lives in poverty. Poverty alone can deny them sufficient nutrition, adequate healthcare, freedom from violence, and preparation for an essential education.

The state’s food pantries and soup kitchens now feed 60,000 people a month, and nearly half of those households include children. Teen girls ages 15-19, barely out of childhood themselves, gave birth to 5,384 babies in Rhode Island between 2006-10. In 2011, more than 3,000 Rhode Island children were victims of abuse and neglect. Half of them were under age 6 and, even harder to believe, a third were younger than 3. Too many children experienced violence in what should have been the safety of their homes. In 2010, children were present during a terrifying 1,659 arrests for domestic violence incidents.

The contrast reminds us why we work so hard

Like most people, I’d rather look at happy photographs of the sweet children and beautiful families we served in 2011, if not the 178 years since the Children’s Friend Society was founded. But in the face of budget cuts and continued economic challenge for our families, I thought it essential that this year’s annual report remind us of the reason we exist.

I ask you to read carefully the statistics on the black and white “spreads” at the opening of this annual report. Then remember: they aren’t numbers. They are innocent babies in their mother’s arms, like Ever was, when his mother Marilyn worked with Project Connect to build a substance-free home safe for her children.

They are adopted toddlers, like Cody and Sean, who have completed the family Amy and Mark always dreamed of. They are the giggling, active preschoolers who hungrily fill our childcare and Head Start programs in the safe centers we’ve built in the most challenging neighborhoods of Rhode Island. They are even the children who are yet to come, as the Nurse Family Partnership offers welcome support to first-time pregnant women, like Anna.

Our work, your support

We can, and do, report success: one child and one family at a time. We combat poverty and child abuse and neglect and family dysfunction every single day. Children’s Friend has – I’ve said it before and I will say it again – the most dedicated, qualified, and committed staff anywhere. They offer love and patience, with endless services. They also offer cribs and diapers and emergency rent and food, whatever it takes.

We can’t do it without you. That’s something else that hasn’t changed since Harriet Ware’s time. The pages of generous contributors make this work possible, from cash gifts to our newest bequest to your incredible enthusiasm during the holiday gift drive. I’d like to believe the conditions on the black and white pages will someday disappear. Until that day, we promise to work with you to bring color into the lives of the children and families we serve.

Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

David Caprio
President and Chief Executive Officer
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<td>Family Childcare Food Program</td>
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<td>CHILDSAN</td>
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Audit available by request, contact Julie Casimiro at 401-276-4359 or jcasimiro@cfsri.org.

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**Wise Stewardship:**

*Everyone working toward one goal is what enables us to make a difference*

As our Annual Income Statement shows there are many pieces that must come together to enable us to make a difference in the lives of 32,563 individuals per year.

While Government Contracts account for 67% of our funding most contracts do not cover the full cost of services and often require a matching contribution. Reimbursement for fee-for-service programs has grown from $2.8 million in 2008, to over $5 million in 2011. This supports 23% of our total budget. Together, these two sources make up 90% of our needs; that is where you and our many supporters and partners come in:

Donors provide the final 10% of resources needed to help our kids – through our walk, luncheon, donated goods, donated services, funds, and endowment proceeds.

Thank you for your help, we literally could not do what we do without you! No matter how small, every penny counts, and since our endowment earnings more than cover our administrative and development costs combined, we can assure you that every dollar contributed is used to support direct services to children and their families.

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**Contracts that generate revenue**

- Family Service of Rhode Island
- Ready to Learn Providence
- Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families
- Rhode Island Department of Education
- Rhode Island Department of Health
- Rhode Island Department of Human Services
- Rhode Island KIDS COUNT
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

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**Financials**

- **Services by Gender**
  - Female (57%)
  - Male (43%)

- **Services by Race**
  - White (37%)
  - Asian (1%)
  - African American (18%)
  - Multiracial (20%)
  - Native American (1%)
  - Other (20%)
  - Unknown (5%)

- **Services by Age**
  - Over Twenty (39%)
  - Ten - Nineteen (10%)
  - Zero - Nine (51%)

- **Services by Income Poverty Level**
  - Under 100% (96%)
  - 100 - 175% (3%)
  - Above 175% (1%)

- **Services by Ethnicity**
  - Unknown (7%)
  - Non-Hispanic (42%)
  - Hispanic (51%)

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**Come in for a tour!**

Interested in learning more about our work... seeing the children your donation supports?

Contact Julie Casimiro, Vice President Advancement at 401-276-4359 or at jcasimiro@cfsri.org to arrange your personal tour of one of our sites.