Children's Friend is the innovative leader in improving the well-being and healthy development of Rhode Island's most vulnerable young children. We accomplish this by providing flexible, effective, and culturally-relevant services, and advocating for programs and policies that support and strengthen these children and their families.

Our vision is that every child in Rhode Island grows and develops in a safe, healthy, loving, and stable family.

Children's Friend is accredited by the Council on Accreditation and a member of the Child Welfare League of America.
Dear Friend

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”
MARGARET MEAD

In 2014, Children’s Friend celebrated its 180th anniversary, a remarkable milestone and accomplishment for our organization and a true testament to those who have supported us throughout the years.

The Children’s Friend story began in the early 1830s, when Harriet Ware, Reverend Francis Wayland, and a small, committed group of concerned women stepped up to protect our most vulnerable children, long before the State took responsibility for protecting children.

Much has changed since 1834; however one constant has remained the same: a committed community can make the difference and the Children’s Friend community is making a positive difference every day for our vulnerable kids and families. Children’s Friend will always come together to do what is best for vulnerable young children and families – and we can only do it because of you.

While we are very much committed to helping children who are victims of abuse and neglect, the majority of our work today is focused on community-based prevention efforts. Our goal is to support and strengthen families so that we not only prevent abuse and neglect, but allow kids to thrive.

You make the difference for our children every single day, and we cannot thank you enough.

On behalf of our children and families, thank you for your continued generosity and support. Please know that you are making a difference in the lives and futures of the children we serve.

Sincerely,

David Caprio
President and Chief Executive Officer
Children’s Friend believes that when families are stable, children do better. It is that simple…

The families we serve face a myriad of obstacles in their lives, including poverty, language barriers, lack of education, substance abuse, homelessness, and difficulty accessing health care. Because of these obstacles, many parents have difficulty caring for their children.

At Children’s Friend, we support families and help them find the strength to overcome these hurdles. By creating safe and nurturing environments for children during the crucial early years, and by helping parents gain access to the resources, education, and support that they need, we provide children with the foundation to help them live healthy and productive lives.

Throughout the organization’s long, rich history, one guiding principle has remained the same—it takes a community to support children in need. From that original group of founders who identified a great need in their community, to the supportive community that parents find here at Children’s Friend today, the resources shared are life-giving… helping to sustain and revitalize lives. In the same way, the support and resources you provide to Children’s Friend are life-giving as well. Your support allows Children’s Friend to respond to the ever-changing needs of our families.

The following pages illustrate only a few of the many changes in families’ lives we see every day. Some changes are truly transformative for a family, while other changes are those small steps taken to approach that very first hurdle.

We are truly a community. The families that we have the privilege of supporting are the true champions in this work. Their courage, determination and commitment to bettering their lives makes the difference. Together, we are able to create a positive impact on the future of our children.

All names have been changed to protect privacy and confidentiality.
Support Makes the Difference
Classroom Services Create an Optimal Learning Environment

Jay is a four year old that faced circumstances that no one should have to face. Left to the care of his extended family by his mother, and estranged from his father due to incarceration, Jay did what any four year old was capable of doing in his situation; he expressed his anger physically – hitting, breaking things, and doing the exact opposite of what was asked of him. He was angry and unhappy, having moved often and shuffled around. He came to the Head Start program at Children’s Friend after being kicked out of his last child care placement.

Jay had difficulty focusing on activities and managing his feelings. When he began coming to the Head Start program, his teachers struggled to get him to sit for classroom learning activities, and his classmates often stayed away from him because he hit them or threw things when he was upset.

His child welfare worker knew that Jay would benefit from the additional supports in the program’s Head Start/Kids Connect classroom. Kids Connect is a specialized program designed to give children with disabilities direct support in the classroom to make their learning experiences successful. In addition to his teachers, Jay has a Therapeutic Integration Specialist helping to effectively use therapeutic materials, and strategies to help him express his feelings, learn how to follow the classroom routine, and how to play with his peers.

When our Kids Connect services were added to his classroom, Jay’s classroom experiences began to get better. His Therapeutic Integration Specialist was able to guide him throughout the classroom, and partner with his teacher to integrate sensory materials into his classroom routine. Jay sat on a textured cushion to help him focus during circle-time and table-top activities. A visual timer, a clock that provides a visual representation of time, was shown to Jay so he could see when an activity was ending to help him transition from one activity to another. Jay used picture cards to show others how he was feeling, and learned to squeeze a ball rather than hitting others or throwing objects. With these supports, Jay was able to fully participate in the classroom activities, learn, and began making friends.

Jay has progressed tremendously, and he now feels secure in his classroom. As his aggressive behaviors have decreased, Jay is able to fully participate in the program and learn. Best of all, he has begun to make friends, smile, and laugh.
PRESCHOOLERS ARE EXPULSED AT THREE TIMES THE RATE OF CHILDREN IN K-12, WITH AFRICAN-AMERICAN BOYS BEING MOST VULNERABLE.¹
Education Makes the Difference

A Family Builds the Foundation of a New Life

When Aisha came to Head Start to enroll her daughter Sanya, her family had just emigrated from the Middle East. The family spoke limited English, and they had no other family living in the area or ties in the community. They were alone in a new country and had no support.

Aisha found the services her family desperately needed at Children’s Friend. Head Start is a comprehensive child and family development program that promotes school readiness in low-income preschool children. Services include education, health, nutrition, social services, and other child and family supports. Parents are involved in their children’s learning, and the program helps families in meeting their educational, literacy, and employment goals.

Sanya was terribly shy when she started school. At first, she did not interact with the other children and often kept to herself. Within a few months, Sanya quickly learned many English words and began to settle in with a lot of comfort and encouragement from her teacher.

Sanya was a natural helper. Her teacher repeatedly found her helping other children in the class. She began to make friends through these interactions and her language skills continued to improve.

Sanya’s family development worker helped Aisha find an ESL class and invited her to join the Parent Committee. There, she learned important skills to support Sanya’s success. Parents who are actively involved in the education of their children build strong foundations for their child’s educational future.

Aisha is now enrolled part-time at the University of Rhode Island in an ESL program. She is proud that she is able to help her husband and her family with their English. Aisha has become an active member of the Parent Committee, and she is volunteering in the classroom whenever she can.

“When we arrived in Rhode Island, we had no one, but Children’s Friend helped us build a home,” said Aisha. Aisha has now enrolled her younger son in Head Start, and he has the same teacher that Sanya did when she started. The family is off to a good start in their new home.
26% of children in Rhode Island live in immigrant families, higher than the national rate of 24%.2
A Family Makes the Difference

A Safe, Loving Home is Needed

A baby girl was born on a cold, snowy day, testing positive for illegal substances. Her birth mother immediately created an adoption plan knowing that she was unable to care for her newborn.

Alone in the hospital, the nurses affectionately nicknamed the newborn “Sweet Pea” because of her sweet disposition. Despite the medical complications Sweet Pea faced, she was remarkably content, always making the nurses smile. They took Sweet Pea under their wing and looked out for her during the long hospital days.

Once discharged, Sweet Pea was immediately placed in temporary foster care with a pre-adoptive family, the Thompsons. As Sweet Pea settled into her new home, she found the safety and security she needed to thrive. The Thompsons were thrilled to begin the adoption process, after trying unsuccessfully to have children for many years.

The adoption program at Children’s Friend finds permanent, loving homes for children. Many of the children we place in adoptive homes are born to families that are struggling with a variety of social and economic issues. Though they are unable to care for their children, these parents want them to have safe, stable, loving families.

Sweet Pea’s nickname has stuck with her, and she is happy and healthy, growing and learning new skills every day. Within a few months, her adoption will be finalized. “After so many years of waiting, our family is now complete,” says Beth Thompson.

A Family Finds Hope

Linkages Make the Difference

Melissa, a young mom, was referred to our Early Head Start program by the Department of Children, Youth & Families two years ago. Melissa grew up in foster homes and spent a few years homeless. Melissa and her 4-month old, Lily, were living in a group home for teen mothers. She was overwhelmed and having a hard time managing their daily needs.

During a home visit, Melissa’s family development worker recognized the warning signs of depression and brought in a mental health clinician to help Melissa. She was then referred to the WIC program for breastfeeding and nutrition support, and Lily received services through Early Intervention. Lily’s father, John, enrolled in the Dads Making a Difference program, where he gained parenting and nurturing skills, as well as help with education goals, job training, and employment.

Melissa’s family development worker helped her create goals to become self-sufficient and knowledgeable in child development, so she could enable her children’s growth and development. With help from the staff at Children’s Friend, Melissa is now back in school, Lily’s father is working full-time at a job he found through the Dads program, and DCYF has closed the case on the family.

Two years after Melissa came to Children’s Friend, her family is doing well. The family still needs a number of supportive services, but according to her family development worker, “they have beaten the odds and have turned their lives around completely”.

[ 10 ] YOU MAKE THE DIFFERENCE
53% OF RHODE ISLAND CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE ARE UNDER THE AGE OF FIVE. 11% ARE UNDER THE AGE OF ONE.²
Three year old Christian needed a lot of support. During the academic year, he participated in a classroom based special education program provided by his local school department in the morning, and in the afternoon, he participated in the Head Start program at Children’s Friend. As the summer approached, Christian’s parents learned that he would not be able to receive special education services over the summer.

Christian’s parents were worried... Christian had significant developmental and behavioral needs, and he already showed extreme difficulty adjusting back to school during short holiday breaks. This would only be worse after a long summer break. His parents were afraid that Christian would lose all of the skills that he worked so hard to gain during the academic year since they could not afford to pay for a summer program on their own. For many parents, the summer often means an end to essential services families rely on throughout the school year.

Thanks to scholarship funding, Children’s Friend enrolled Christian in the Summer Learning and Enrichment Program (SLEP). In addition to the traditional SLEP program, Christian was given one-on-one support to help make each of his days a success. Our staff designed a visually supportive curriculum that helped Christian and other children who had special needs in a hands-on way that engaged them in consistent and structured daily activities. He thrived in this specialized setting.

When the school year began, Christian started to attend his special education program and Head Start. Christian’s parents reported that his transition back to his special education classroom went well. There were some small bumps in the road during the first few weeks, but they knew that they would have been much bigger bumps if he had not been able to participate in the SLEP.

Christian’s parents were very thankful that he could concentrate his efforts on learning versus re-acclimating to a classroom environment. Our Head Start staff is working with the school department to ensure that Christian continues to receive appropriate special education services during the academic year and for next summer.
Guidance Makes the Difference

A Young Mother’s Pregnancy Inspires a New Direction

Sarah is a single mom who is currently living in supportive housing with her 6 month old daughter, Arianna. Although her resources are limited, Sarah is a parent who tries her best to ensure her baby’s needs are met and works hard to have a strong parent-child relationship with her baby. Arianna means the world to her and Sarah is willing to do whatever it takes to ensure that Arianna has the best start in life.

Sarah is rebuilding her own life after a history of substance abuse. Sarah once was homeless with nowhere to turn. Her life quickly unraveled, and she could not see a way out. When she became pregnant, Sarah knew she had to make a change. A healthy pregnancy was her goal, and she found the support she needed in the Healthy Families America Program, an evidence-based, maternal and child home-visiting program.

Sarah was assigned a family support worker, who helped her find a medical home early on in her pregnancy, and she received the proper prenatal care. Her family support worker built a trusting, consistent relationship with Sarah and helped her access the community resources and supports she needed, helped her plan her education and job goals, and worked to decrease social isolation she felt as a recovering first-time mother. They also offered her the encouragement and emotional support she needed to prepare for Arianna’s arrival.

Sarah continues to work hard to stay on a positive recovery path. She has set educational goals for herself and knows that she has to invest in herself for the sake of her baby. She is back in school and works part-time.

Sarah wants the best for Arianna and does not want her to face the same challenges she has faced. Sarah is doing a fantastic job with her baby and has worked to strengthen her relationship with Arianna to improve their overall family health. She is now doing all she can to ensure that her daughter has the best start in life.
THE NUMBER OF BABIES BORN WITH EXPOSURE TO OPIOID DRUGS AND ALCOHOL NEARLY DOUBLED IN RI BETWEEN 2006 AND 2013. ²
CHILDREN’S FRIEND IS DEEPLY GRATEFUL TO THE INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES, FOUNDATIONS, AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO GENEROUSLY INVEST IN THE LIVES OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.

Your investment has great impact! You provide essential services to build the foundation for our families to succeed. Thank you for your generosity! You truly make the difference!

Please join us in recognizing those donors who supported Children’s Friend in 2014.

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The Heislers built their family through the adoptive services of Children’s Friend and were forever committed to the mission of the organization. “Your organization has played an important role in our family, as without it, my parents would have had no children, and my brother and I would surely not have been blessed with such terrific parents,” states Gretchen Heisler Ecclestone.

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Make a Sustaining Contribution

You can ensure that our most vulnerable families have the resources they need throughout the year... give a recurring monthly gift and sustain the needs of our children every day. Your monthly gift provides Children’s Friend with regular and reliable income to respond to the needs of our families.

It’s so simple and convenient! Go to childrensfriendri.org and set the amount of the deductions from the account of your choice. If your life changes, you can change or suspend your monthly payments at any time.

With just a couple of clicks, you can make a difference, one child at a time!

WISE STEWARDSHIP
of Resources

With continued cuts to limited funding at the local, state, and federal levels, disciplined spending allows Children’s Friend to provide a remarkable level of services and staffing when our families need us the most. This is accomplished thanks to wise stewardship of our resources and a disciplined “spending rule” that holds our annual spending to 5.5% of the rolling three year market value average of the endowment.

You can invest in the future of Children’s Friend and earmark donations to the endowment by contacting Stacy Couto, Vice President External Affairs, at 401-276-4306 or scouto@cfsri.org.
Children's Friend employees are dedicated and committed to the mission of the agency. Their combined skills, creativity, and knowledge have a great impact on the families we serve.

PLEASE JOIN US IN THANKING OUR TEAM FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION IN SUPPORTING OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.
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FOSTER Heros

All children need safe and loving homes. Children’s Friend Foster Parents serve Rhode Island’s most vulnerable children—well after the work day is over and most of us go home at the end of the day. Our Foster Parents come from all walks of life and from all types of professions. However they have one thing in common: a commitment to making a difference in a child’s life by providing a safe and loving home.

Please join us in thanking our dedicated Foster Parents for opening their hearts and homes to children in need.

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If you have thought about becoming a foster parent and would like to learn more, please contact Joyce La France Tormey, Foster Parent Recruitment and Retention, at 401-276-4318 or jtormey@cfsri.org.

Looking for Ways to Help?

WE NEED YOU!

There are countless ways to make a difference in the lives of our youngest and most vulnerable children. Children’s Friend offers many volunteer opportunities on an on-going basis. Read in our classrooms, hold a donation drive to collect the necessities families need every day, such as diapers and formula; or donate your new or gently used items for young children, such as books, backpacks, school supplies, and household items.

Interested in volunteering? Please contact Maryellen O’Mahony, Director of Advancement, at 401-276-7624 or momahony@cfsri.org.

See our Mission IN ACTION

Come in for a tour and learn more about what we do! Contact Stacy Couto, Vice President External Affairs, at 401-276-4306 or scouto@cfsri.org to arrange a visit.

CONTRACTS THAT Generate Revenue

City of Providence
Central Falls School District
Family Service of Rhode Island
Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative, Inc.
Providence School District
Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth & Families

Rhode Island Department of Human Services
Rhode Island Department of Education
Rhode Island Department of Health
Rhode Island Foundation
US Department of Health and Human Services
United Way of Rhode Island
Let’s do the Numbers... STATISTICS

Thanks to you, Children’s Friend was able to provide services at 18 sites throughout Providence, Pawtucket, and Central Falls in 2014.

34,343 children and families benefited from Children’s Friend services.

104 children and families received concurrent permanency planning services, foster care placement, and adoption services – including children with special needs.

4,525 vulnerable children and their families received child and family development services, including education, health, nutrition, social services, and other supports.

271,821 nutritious meals were provided to children in our programs.

322 children were placed in high quality, bilingual childcare services.

882 children and their families received individual and family counseling services addressing issues of loss, parent-child conflict, school and behavioral issues, etc.

341 early care and school age educational professionals participated in training and technical assistance.

456 infants and toddlers with developmental delays and disabilities were provided therapy and educational services.

109 substance-affected families participated in intensive home-based services designed to help parents overcome addiction while safely parenting their children.

1,830 families received home-based outreach services intended to promote the health and well-being of mothers and their newborn children.

7,368 families participated in a nutrition program that provides healthy foods, nutrition education, and referrals to doctors, dentists, and other community services.

224 families received home visits by a registered nurse including prenatal and parenting education, developmental screenings, social supports, as well as support for educational and professional goals for the client.

33 expectant mothers and families with newborns received home visiting services to promote and strengthen positive parent-child relationships, promote positive growth and development in children, and build strengths of families and their protective factors.

16 pregnant or parenting teens received essential support in building daily life skills, educational goals, and a strong foundation for their child’s future.

135 at-risk families received high fidelity wrap around services.

29 families participated in parent-child relationship-based therapeutic intervention and support services to improve parenting abilities.
ANNUAL Income Statement

A BREAK DOWN of those we served

**AGE**
- Over Twenty (38%)
- Ten - Nineteen (11%)
- Zero - Nine (51%)

**ETHNICITY**
- Unknown (4%)
- Non-Hispanic (40%)
- Hispanic (56%)

**GENDER**
- Female (60%)
- Male (40%)

**INCOME POVERTY LEVEL**
- Under 100% (96%)
- 100 - 175% (2%)
- Above 175% (2%)

**RACE**
- Asian (1%)
- Black (20%)
- Multiracial (10%)
- Native American (1%)
- Other (27%)
- Unknown (2%)
- White (39%)

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**2014 Revenue**

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**2014 Expenses**

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