

2019-2020

Letter from BOARD PRESIDENT Rob Morris

So many changes have come about over the last several years. Not long ago we celebrated 35 years of service to children and remodeled the Castle at Jasper Mountain Center. In 2020, our Executive Leadership transitioned, and new challenges came with the addition of Crystal Creek to our JMC site. Then appeared dangers from the outside: COVID-19 and the fears that the virus has brought and the wildfires of 2020 that forced an evacuation of the SAFE Center for a time. These events challenged us but also proved how strong this organization is because of the dedication of our employees and community. Thanks to all of you for your efforts in dealing with the many issues that have confronted our organization this past year.

Change is inevitable, but the mission of the organization will not change. As stated by our Founder Dave Ziegler, "No greater help can be offered to another person than to enhance their bonds of love and caring to others."

On behalf of the Jasper Mountain Board of Directors, a group I am proud to represent, we want to thank everyone for your hard work and efforts to continue the excellent work that this organization has been known for throughout its history.

Be Safe and Be Well,



COVID-19 Impacts Jasper Mountain

When word first began to spread about a novel virus that was infecting people worldwide, there were many unknowns and questions without answers, as a global pandemic of this scale had not needed to be dealt with for over a century. As information became more available, Jasper Mountain began to form a plan to keep children and employees as safe as possible, while continuing to serve our essential functions. In the first several months, it became a running joke that the rules and expectations seemed to be changing daily. Despite all the uncertainty, it was incredible to see employees of our agency pull together during those trying times and work to ensure the children were always well-cared for.



BJ in compliance with the mask mandate on campus.

It has been said in the past that the children we work with are masters at picking up on the underlying energy of the adults around them. Despite our employees dealing with a heightened level of anxiety due to COVID-19, our children always felt a sense of safety and protection.

EQUESTRIAN Program

The Equestrian Program at Jasper Mountain continues to be a highly impactful therapeutic tool for the children. In March, 15 children were able to demonstrate their skills at the annual horse show. Over the past year, the Equestrian team provided over 1,000 individual lessons to the children in the program.



Sara Walz leads Rose and rider around the Jasper Mountain Center campus.

The human members of the team are led by Sara Walz, our Equestrian Program Coordinator and include this year: Jewel Weigand, Heather Porch, Morgan Boozer, Jezreel Wilder, Cierra Atchley and Carolyn Norland. The four-legged team members were Rocky, BJ, Sage, Rose, Bella and Habi.

FUN TIMES!



Throughout this past year there were plenty of fun and exciting times to be had at both campuses. Children and adults alike partook in games, food and celebrations,

helping to bring everyone together and enjoy each other's company. Highlights from some of the fun this year included a dunk tank, a giant inflatable waterslide, a shaved-ice truck, and Duck football games!

Also, the end of the 2019-2020 school year marked the 20-year anniversary of Kristi Slaughter and Cory Taylor teaching together at the SAFE Center. Kristi and Cory have been staples at SAFE Center, teaching next door to each other and impacting hundreds of children that have come through the program.

Not only are they both amazing teachers, but they are best friends, and a SAFE Center dynamic duo!



Left: Dunk tank fun at the end of school carnival, Top right: Beau Garner tackled the 25 foot tall Hurricane Slide, Above: Cory Taylor and Kristi Slaughter celebrated their 20-year work anniversary!

Founders CELEBRATION











Above: Photos from the Founders Celebration. Below: Dave & Rosemary Ziegler pictured after Rosemary recieved a Lifetime Achievement Award. On January 1st, 2020, Jasper Mountain found itself with a new Executive Director for the first time since the agency began in 1982. Dave Ziegler, Ph.D., a founder and Executive Director since the organization began, did not retire on that date. He transitioned into the role of psychologist. In his new role, Dave is providing clinical training and consultation throughout the organization. This included, offering advice and support to the new Executive Director, Beau Garner, M.Ed., LMFT. The transition of the Executive Director position from Dave to Beau was the culmination of a process that has been ongoing for the past ten years.

To celebrate such a meaningful event, Jasper Mountain hosted a large dinner party at the Eugene Country Club. The event honored the three founders: Judy Littlebury and Dave & Joyce Ziegler, and as a surprise, also honored Dave's mother Rosemary Ziegler with a Lifetime Achievement Award. The gathering consisted of friends, family and colleagues, who traveled from near and far to celebrate the amazing accomplishments of the founders. The night included good food, live music and plenty of laughs and tears. Old photos and videos were shared, as well as stories that highlighted the journey of Jasper Mountain's humble beginnings to the world-class treatment center it is today.

EUGENE BALLET& Jasper Mountain

In February of 2020 the Eugene Ballet performed the world premiere of an original ballet based on the book, *The Large Rock and the Little Yew*, a story written by Greg Ahlijian, and inspired by the children of Jasper Mountain. Greg has been a long-term Jasper Mountain volunteer, and wrote a tale about overcoming life's challenges with courage. Eugene Ballet dancers came to Jasper Mountain and worked closely with the children to help choregraph the performance. It was clear by observing this creative process,

that not only did the children learn about ballet, but the dancers were inspired by the energy and imagination of the children as well. When performance took place at the Hult Center the children were there to see their own suggestions in the choreography on the stage. It was a very special event, and we are grateful to the Eugene Ballet community: Suzanne Haag, choreographer, dancers, sponsers (National Endowment for the Arts, The

ROCKS ONLY

Photos of Eugene Ballet dancers performing
The Large Rock
and the Little
Yew courtesy
of Ari Denison,
Eugene Ballet.

LARGE ROCK

Hult Endowment, and The Oregon Cultural Trust) and author Greg Ahlijian, who has also established a scholarship for foster child eduation through the Oregon Community Foundation.







It may seem like just yesterday the idea of adding a 15 bed residential building to the Jasper Mountain campus was being proposed by the management team, but the reality is that the journey to completing Crystal Creek has been many years in the making. The completion of the building required countless hours of work, preparation and planning by many different people and groups. Throughout the entire process, it became clear that no matter what area of expertise was bringing people into the project, the focus on creating an amazing, therapeutic space for children was everyone's main objective. The final product is a one-of-a-kind 7,000 sq. ft. residence with every detail designed to enhance the therapeutic healing process for children.

Since the very beginning, the vision for Crystal Creek has been to provide an inspiring space for children to finish their final phase of residential treatment and "polish the gem" within themselves. This uniquely designed, diamond shaped building with panoramic views provides a space with family focused treatment goals. Children will need to show progress and make therapeutic gains in the Castle, our current residential building, before transferring to Crystal Creek.

Photos clockwise from top: Drone photograph of the Jasper Mountain Center Campus bordered by the confluence of the North Fork of the Willamette River and Fall Creek, Crystal Creek Interior, Crystal Creek Porch and view, Crystal Creek and Castle drone photo.

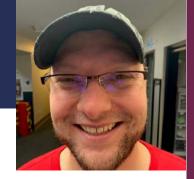


SEAN WILLIAMS Memorial

In April of 2020, Jasper Mountain experienced a tragedy when Treatment Team employee Sean Williams passed away unexpectedly. Sean had worked at Jasper Mountain for a lit-

tle over four years. He was an active part of the Crisis Response Program, helping many families in the community. He had been based out of the SAFE Center campus for the past several years, providing solid leadership to shifts. Sean was known as a favorite among the children and his coworkers because of his caring spirit, therapeutic interactions and commitment to helping children heal. Needless to say, it was extremely difficult on employees and the children at SAFE Center when Sean died. To help with the healing process the leadership team at SAFE Center created







Sean's infectious, beaming smile is so very missed by the staff and children of Jasper Mountain

a memorial garden to honor Sean. Staff members, SAFE Center children, and community members were given the opportunity to contribute to the memorial garden. Rocks were painted and small tokens were thoughtfully placed to recognize the many lives that Sean touched during his time with the agency.

BOARD PROFILE

The Board of Directors at Jasper Mountain is comprised of a highly dedicated group of individuals, with the average length of tenure at 14.5 years. Having a skilled group of volunteers on the board has been extremely helpful this past year, as the agency transitioned Executive Directors and finalized the building of Crystal Creek. The longevity of board membership, coupled with an unwavering commitment to our children, sets the foundation of excellence for the entire agency.

Our Board of Directors uses collective wisdom to ensure that a fair and broad representation is used to govern the agency. This past year, two board members in particular played crucial roles in the two biggest challenges the agency faced. Rob Morris, our board president for the past five years, helped to facilitate the executive transition from Dave to Beau. Rob worked to bridge the gap between the Executive Director transition and the Board of Directors. He helped guide

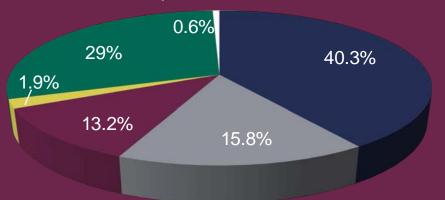
the agency through this unprecedented process, showing leadership skills that have made him a great president.

Chuck Davis, a board member since 1994, also played a critical role for the agency this year. He has always been willing to lend a hand to the many plumbing and irrigation issues that arise at either campus, drawing from his years of experience at the Springfield Utility Board. Chuck's help was instrumental throughout the process of designing Crystal Creek's complex water system. He attended weekly planning meetings and was on campus many other times to support the project in a variety of ways.

The entire board helped support and guide the agency this past year. The time and energy our board dedicates to the mission of Jasper Mountain allows the agency to impact many children and families.

EXPENSES FOR 2019-2020

Total Expenses: \$6,283,260



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■ JMC \$2,529,487

Admin. \$1,026,409

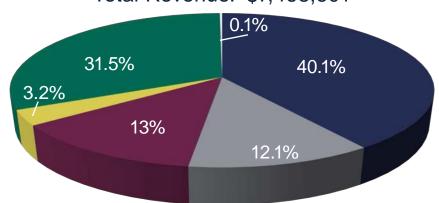
School \$725,429Crisis \$118,886

SAFE \$1,845,974

□ CBS \$37,075

REVENUE FOR 2019-2020

Total Revenue: \$7,468,601



2019-2020 MC \$2,993,287

REVENUE FOR

Admin \$900,285

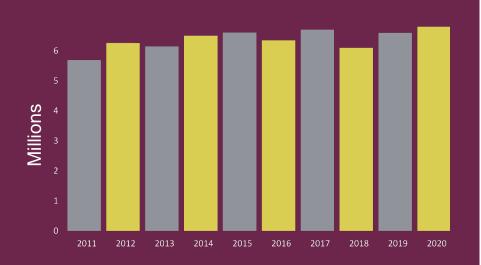
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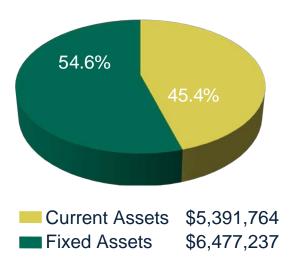
CBS \$11,072

BUDGET COMPARISON 2011-2020



YEAR END TOTAL ASSETS

Total: \$11,869,001



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Resident turtle, Wilma, enjoyed some affection prior to he winter hibernation. Right: Staff celebrate in style at the end of school carnival.









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