

2017 annual report

ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY CARE

Providing dignified, affordable alternatives to nursing home care since 1985

St. John's Community Care has been the leader in aging and dementia care support services and resources in our community since 1985.

Like any good ministry, it has grown and changed. We have added programs, embraced new families needing care, and welcomed new faces to our staff.

2017 included a number of milestones:

- Our Edwardsville Adult Day Center welcomed new participants whose programs in Alton and Godfrey closed their doors. While the loss of two Adult Day Programs in Madison County was sad, the increased attendance at our Edwardsville Center assured the financial viability of that site. Kudos to our staff for helping so many participants adjust to a new environment.

- The State of Illinois passed a budget for their fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, which authorized them to pay us for services provided as long ago as July 2016! This influx of cash allowed us to pay off our line of credit completely.

- The Area Agency on Aging chose us to teach the first Savvy Caregiver Classes in Metro-East, funded through a grant from the IL Dept. on Aging. Our first session of six two-hour classes was held in the fall. The eight families who participated, each of whom cares for a spouse or parent with dementia, told us they learned important skills and strategies on dealing with challenging behaviors. Equally important, they learned the importance of caring for themselves as they travel this difficult journey. We plan to teach four more sessions in 2018.

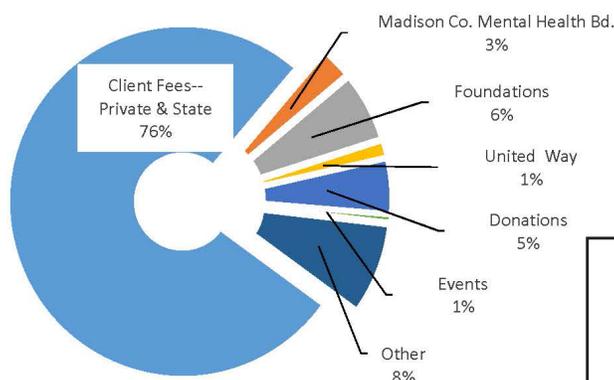
- Another aspect of this grant will support Dementia Friendly USA presentations we are offering to local groups – law enforcement, health care providers, financial advisors, faith communities, business, etc. – to educate them on how to be welcoming and helpful to individuals with dementia whom they encounter. Most wish to help but do not know how.
- Our four Support Groups touched more family caregivers than ever before – 86 compared to 69 in 2016. Our surveys prove the value of these meetings for families. We are blessed to have a combination of qualified staff and volunteers to facilitate the groups.
- We launched a new website (www.stjohnscc.org) and added radio to our marketing efforts.

Individuals Served in 2017

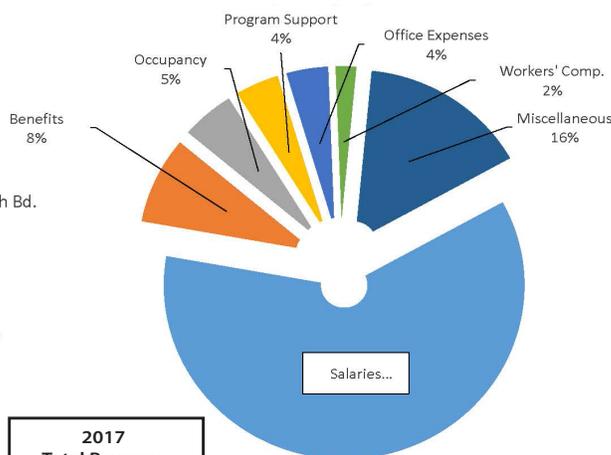
▶ Home Services	71
▶ Adult Day Collinsville	58
▶ Adult Day Edwardsville	70
▶ Support Groups	86
▶ Workshops/Presentations	1,340
▶ Medical Equipment Loans	281

We are proud to count the congregation of St. John Evangelical UCC as a vital stakeholder as we continue to bring God's compassion and love to those in our midst dealing with challenges which too often come with aging.

Operating Revenue



Operating Expense



2017 Total Revenue \$1,534,112:
Total Expenses: \$1,461,624

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Our ministries made life easier for hundreds of families in 2017!

"It is difficult to express how we feel about the care St. John's staff provided. Words are so inadequate. Please know we are forever grateful for the gentleness, humor, compassion and professionalism with which you and your staff have cared for our family."

Sincerely,
Kent and Colleen

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