



Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2024

Dedicated to providing free, quality services for the positive development and recovery of children, youth, and families.

INTRODUCTION

Payne County Youth Services, Inc. is pleased to provide this Annual Report to our stakeholders. In this report we have highlighted activities, community partners, members of our Board of Directors and Advisory Board for Sustainability and Public Awareness, Staff, and our programs. We have presented our financial position and highlighted some of our most loyal volunteers and donors.

PCYS is in our 53rd year of service provision. We are grateful to the many staff, members of boards, donors, volunteers, and others who facilitated this milestone. We remain dedicated to excellent quality, effective, and efficient services that never require payment from the service recipient or their families.

We invite you to help us increase our impact by serving on a board, donating, volunteering, attending fundraising events, and connecting us with your contacts. Please lend your talent, time and treasure to this endeavor. You can make a positive difference in the life of a child, youth, and family by joining forces with PCYS. As a 501(c)3 organization, donations are tax deductible.

PCYS RECEIVES OUTSTANDING REVIEWS



Payne County Youth Services continue our long and exemplary history of receiving a 100% Compliance rating along with Commendations on Peer Review by the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services and the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs Monitoring.

The Emergency Youth Shelter received outstanding results from the OKDHS Licensing Division.

Payne County Youth Services continues our 3 year certification of a 99.9% Compliance rating on our 2020 CARF audit, the longest certification CARF bestows.

PCYS ACCREDITATIONS AND LICENSES

Payne County Youth Services strives to provide services every day in the most professional, effective, and efficient manner. Our most important feedback comes from our stakeholders, which include clients, families, referral sources and the community. PCYS is accredited, monitored and licensed by:



The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitative Facilities (CARF International)
The Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
The United Way of Payne County
The Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs
The Oklahoma Association of Youth Services
The National Safe Place
The Oklahoma Department of Human Services Licensing Division
The Oklahoma Department of Commerce
The Federal Department of Health and Human Services
The Oklahoma Office of District Attorney's Council

16th Annual An Evening to Remember Family Feud

The 16th annual An Evening to Remember gala was held at the OSU Wes Watkins Center and featured guests playing Family Feud. We are grateful to Functional Polly, Darren Shrum, Matt Fletcher, Garden Party, and Godofredo's Catering for their participation in this year's event. More than \$5,000 was raised to purchase new mattresses and a large freezer for the Emergency Youth Shelter. Thank you to everyone who participated in raising a total of \$14,000 to support our services.

Save the date for the 17th annual gala: Saturday, January 25, 2025 for an 80's Prom theme: Don't You Forget About Me!



FY2024 PROGRAM OUTCOMES AND OUTPUTS

July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

Emergency Shelter – The Emergency Youth Shelter provides a safe place to stay for youth in crisis, protecting children and youth from child abuse, neglect and trauma. In FY2024, 105 young people stayed a total of 1,970 days in the Shelter. Average length of stay was 24 days, with some residents staying over a year.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Counseling – Individual family and group counseling helps clients work through issues and meet goals. The program counseled 166 youth and their families, improving their functioning and quality of life. Counseling services are available in-person and via teletherapy.

Community Education/Development – Provides opportunities and information to the community in order to work collaboratively in support of youth and families, thus creating a more productive and healthy community. These services were presented to 7,218 community members for 268 hours.

Skills for Success/First Offender Program – A program for youth who have violated or are at-risk for law-violation, this program reduces future progression into the Juvenile Justice System and enhances communication and relationships within families. 37 youth and their parents/guardians were served by the program. The PCYS program demonstrated a success rate of 96% with only 4% progressing further into the Juvenile Justice System.

Safe Place – Safe Place ensures young people in crisis can get help 24/7/365. 33 youth accessed Safe Place in FY2024. Safe Place information and training is provided to students across 7 school systems. The knowledge and courage for youth to advocate for their safety and that of their peers is strengthened by this program. Safe Place sites total 54 in 6 communities, as well as 20 rolling sites with the OSU BOB's Bus Transit System, which create a county-wide safety net where children and youth get help fast. The program educated 99 youth on the use of Safe Place.

Victims of Crime (VOCA) Services – VOCA services empower and engage clients to process and recover from abuse, neglect, and trauma and advocate for victims' rights and needs. 336 clients were served by this program.

Adopt-A-Family – 20 clients and families were served by this program, impacting 145 people.

Voices of Today Art, Poetry, and Photography Contest – 22 youth participated in the PCYS Art, Photography and Poetry Contest. This contest provides opportunities and supports to youth to express themselves appropriately. Performance feedback and prizes are provided.

Transitional Living Program – TLP provides intensive support for youth transitioning into adulthood by protecting youth from the risks of homelessness, teaching life skills, counseling, fostering independence and permanent connections and facilitating successful independent living. TLP served 5 clients during FY2024.

Botvin Life Skills – An evidence-based curriculum provided to Stillwater Public Schools Middle School students, this program assists youth to learn skills that enhance appropriate behavior, critical thinking, and decision-making and builds supportive substance abuse prevention skills. 535 youth benefited from Life Skills Education.

Building a Competent Community for Suicide Prevention – An evidence-based curriculum to provide training to adults and youth to identify, intervene, and assist persons contemplating suicide. 178 individuals were trained in FY2024.

Training – PCYS staff benefited from 281 hours of specialized, program-specific training to ensure quality interventions. Staff provided training to others for 87 hours and 550 hours of consultation/supervision.

Performance Measures for Counseling Program

Effectiveness — Effectiveness is measured in counseling progress using an industry-standard assessment, the Client Assessment Record. 70% of clients showed an improvement on this measure.

Accessibility of Services – Accessibility of services is measured by the length of time it takes from a person's initiation of a services request until they are contacted by PCYS, with a goal of no more than 15 days. Our output measure is 80%. Services are available in-person and via teletherapy.

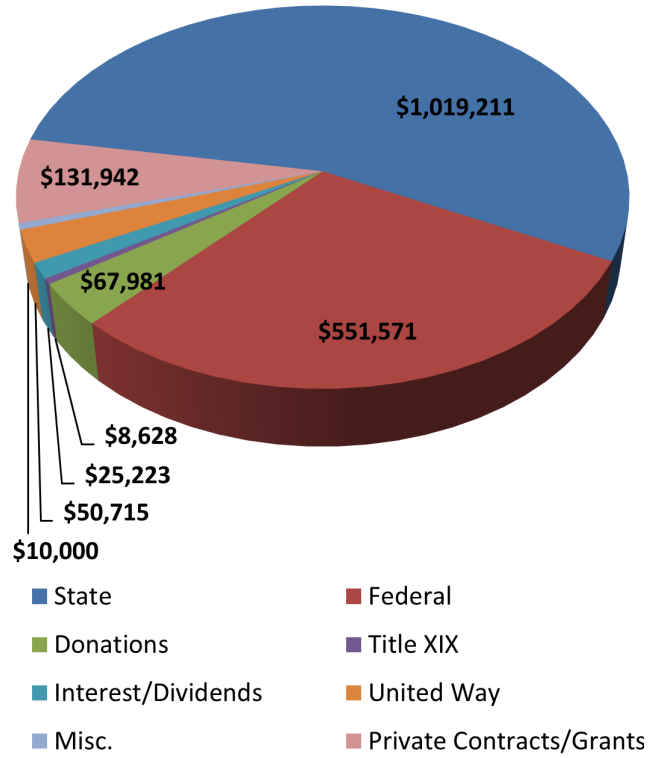
Client Satisfaction – Client satisfaction is measured using a scale of 1-5 on a set of questions with 5 being the most favorable response. Responses averaged 4.5 on this measure.

FY2024 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

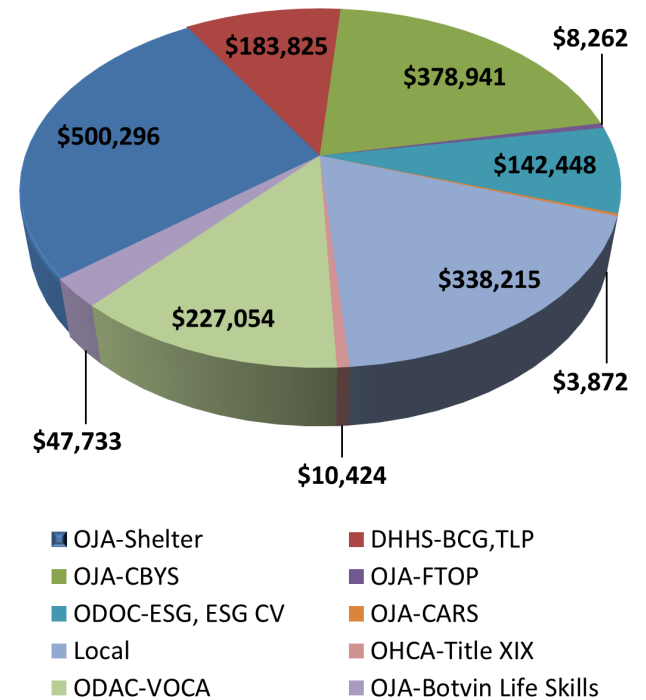
| Statement of Financial Position | |
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| as of June 30, 2024 | |
| Assets | 2024 |
| Cash | \$446,893 |
| Investments | \$362,111 |
| Accounts Receivable | \$455,172 |
| Prepaid expenses | \$23,055 |
| Property & Equipment | \$0 |
| Total Assets | \$1,287,231 |
| Liabilities | |
| Accounts Payable | \$28,385 |
| Accrued Absences | \$74,987 |
| Total Liabilities | \$103,373 |
| Equity | \$1,183,858 |
| Total Liabilities & Equity | \$1,287,231 |

| Statement of Activities | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| as of June 30, 2024 | |
| Revenue | 2024 |
| State | \$1,019,211 |
| Federal | \$551,571 |
| Donations | \$67,981 |
| Medicaid | \$8,628 |
| Interest | \$25,223 |
| United Way | \$50,715 |
| Misc. | \$10,000 |
| Private Contracts | \$131,942 |
| Total Revenue | \$1,865,271 |
| Expenses | |
| Program Services | \$1,502,857 |
| Administrative & General | \$338,215 |
| Other | \$0 |
| Total Expenses | \$1,841,072 |
| Equity at Beginning of Year | \$1,150,735 |
| Equity at End of Year | \$1,183,858 |
| Change in Equity | \$33,123 |

Revenue FY24



Expenses FY24



FY2024 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024



MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING AND CRISIS SERVICES

The PCYS Counseling Program provided mental health counseling and crisis services across Payne County and surrounding areas. School-based services increased access to counseling while highly trained clinicians utilize a variety of evidence-based, trauma-informed interventions to children, youth and families. Telehealth and in-person counseling were and remain available.



TRANSITIONING INTO ADULTHOOD

The Payne County Youth Services Transitional Living Program continued with 3 adults placed in apartments. Clients pursue educational and employment goals as well as receive individualized case management, counseling, and supportive services. Several clients successfully completed the program moving into full time employment, post-secondary education, and their own apartments.



PARENTING EDUCATION AND SUPPORT

The Payne County Youth Services evidence-based Parenting Education and Support classes continued both in virtual and in-person formats. Parents learned to better communicate with their teens, parent for prevention, and identify supports and challenges of parenting today. Botvin Parenting and Parenting by L.O.V.E. (new program for parents of LGBTQ+ youth) began in May 2024.

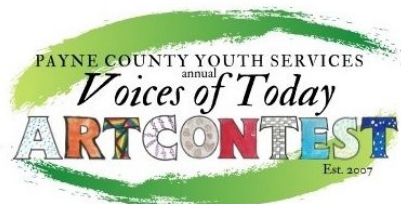


NATIONAL SAFE PLACE WEEK CELEBRATED

PCYS celebrated National Safe Place week from March 21-27, 2021. Safe Place is a nationally acclaimed outreach program that makes help readily available to young people in crisis. Payne County Youth Services has operated the Safe Place program for Payne County since 1996. Payne County currently has 54 Safe Place sites and 20 OSU buses that carry the Safe Place sign.

FY2024 COMMUNITY EDUCATION/DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTS

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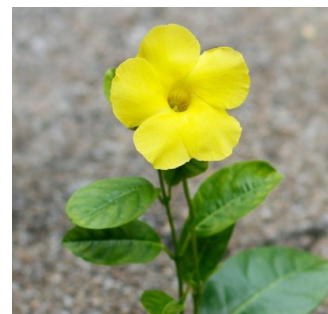
A.I. & ART: #STILLHUMAN

The 16th Annual *Voices of Today Art, Poetry, and Photography Contest* was held with 22 participants. The theme for this year's contest was *A.I. & Art: #stillhuman*. Participants explore and refine skills and talents, express thoughts and ideas in positive, age-appropriate ways.



PARENTING BY L.O.V.E.

Growing from requests by parents in the community, PCYS partnered with OSU Health Education and Rural Empowerment (HEaRE) to create Parenting by L.O.V.E., a parenting group for parents of LGBTQ+ youth. Thanks to Dr. Douglas Knutson, OSU and Kim Shenold, PCYS, who have written the curriculum workbook, conducted focus groups, and facilitated the groups.



BUILDING A COMPETENT COMMUNITY FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION

PCYS continues to provide the Building a Competent Community for Suicide Prevention community training directly to first responders, schools, civic groups, churches, businesses, and individuals utilizing evidence-based programming. PCYS also observed National Suicide Prevention Week in November 2023.



EMERGENCY YOUTH SHELTER

The PCYS Emergency Youth Shelter is so much more than a bed and a meal. When a child or youth is in residence at our shelter, they receive counseling, tutoring, medical evaluation, attend public school, provided school supplies, many have a part-time job, learn life skills, go on outings, participate in recreational and other activities including the new fitness center, and much more.



NATIONAL RUNAWAY PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP

PCYS continues to participate in National Runaway Prevention Month and serves runaway and homeless youth across our programming.

VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT

VOCA SERVICES CONTINUE

Serving Victims of Crime is something that Payne County Youth Services has done well for over 50 years. This year the VOCA grant award was \$133,350, which will continue to allow PCYS to expand victim services. VOCA funds are administered by the State of Oklahoma through the Oklahoma District Attorney's Council.



SHELTER RENOVATION GRANT

Through a grant from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce in conjunction with ESG, PCYS has completed the shelter fitness center.



CITY OF STILLWATER

PCYS received a contract from The City of Stillwater in the amount of \$15,000. This contract supports crisis intervention, counseling and sheltering clients, as well as the general operations of the organization.



FAYE ALLENE RIFE BROWN FOUNDATION

PCYS received a grant of \$50,000 from the Faye Allene Rife Brown Foundation. Strict guidelines and integrity of the granting process by the Brown Foundation add to the honor of being once again selected for this grant. Support from local communities continues to be essential to continue to provide free, high quality services to children, youth and families.



STILLWATER NOON LIONS CLUB

The Stillwater Noon Lions Club and Lions Club International Foundation provided a grant to purchase 3 fitness machines for the new fitness gym at the youth shelter. A ribbon cutting was sponsored by Stillwater Chamber of Commerce.



TULSA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

To contribute to our Endowment Fund, please contact PCYS or Tulsa Community Foundation. Planned giving ensures your legacy continues to support programming and the people you care about.

UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING



PCYS sent a staff team to volunteer at the home of a local resident and hosted volunteers at the Youth Shelter and the Outpatient Offices. We are always grateful for the work of our volunteers and the opportunity to help others.

Thank you to United Way of Payne County for all of your support and hard work!

MIND AND MOTION FITNESS CENTER



The PCYS Youth Shelter fitness center went from a dream to a reality this year. Named the Mind and Motion Fitness Center, this area provides much needed space and activities for shelter residents to focus on physical, behavioral, and emotional health. Research is clear, there is a significant interaction among these elements. Plus, our kids have fun!

ELITE REPEAT

Elite Repeat, an upscale resale shop in Stillwater, continued its generous support of the programs of PCYS by continuing their funding of \$24,000. Additional support includes grants for special projects and donations of clothing and household items to PCYS program participants.

Elite Repeat solicits donations of items from the community and then awards grants to local non-profit organizations. A critical partner to PCYS, Elite Repeat provides a unique shopping experience at great rates to customers while providing cash and in-kind donations to PCYS. Support such as this assists PCYS to bring additional state and federal dollars to our community.



MORE NEWS...

OSU NUTRITIONAL SCIENCE INTERNSHIP

A unique collaboration with the Nutritional Sciences Department provides interns who work with shelter and TLP residents to encourage healthy nutritional choices and learn cooking skills. Internship experiences create learning opportunities for university students while enhancing resident experiences.

STILLWATER MAKES A CHANGE

PCYS was chosen as the SMAC recipient for the upcoming Stillwater Makes a Change fundraising efforts for the 2024-2025 school year at Stillwater High School. We are excited to help raise a goal of \$50,000 toward remodeling the Youth Shelter kitchen.

HARVEST II

PCYS received a significant and much appreciated annual donation of non-perishable food from Harvest II along with other support provided throughout the year. Junior Service League of Stillwater represents an amazing community partnership in Payne County.

CIMARRON VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

This talented group of artists created handmade quilts and pillowcases for our shelter and TLP residents. Youth are given a quilt of their own that they take with them when they leave our programs. This is a beautiful expression of warmth and support the community offers our youth!

MIND, MOTION, AND MUSIC

Kicker/Stillwater Designs graciously donated a sound system for the new fitness center at the Youth Shelter.

PCYS HONORED DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS AT ANNUAL APPRECIATION DINNER

An annual celebration of the many ways in which donors and volunteers support the agency and the children, youth, and families it serves, this event was held November 14, 2023. Awards were given in several categories to recognize some of the donors and volunteers.

*November 2024 awardees may be found on our social media

Heart of the Community

Meridian Technology Center
Friends of the Shelter
Robert and Debbie Breedlove
Barry and Robin Fuxa
Jen Johnson
Yale Library
Lance Reece
Charitus Sunday School Class
Harvest II
Elizabeth's
Fenton Office Supply

Builders

Dr. Douglas Knutson
Life Church
Anne and Michael Greenwood

Outstanding Board Member

Amy Parsons
Kylie Moulton
Dustin Bledsoe

Outstanding Advisory

Board Member

Chris Young

Outstanding PCCWAC

Board Member

Steve Carpenter

Outstanding Collegiate

ATO
OSU Nutrition Science
Collegiate 4-H

Key Resource

Elite Repeat
Faye Allen Rife Brown
Foundation
United Way of Payne County
CareerTech

Outstanding Corporate

Sponsor

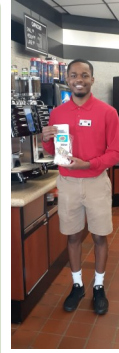
Furniture Showcase
OnCue
McKee Construction

SHINE A LIGHT ON RUNAWAY AND HOMELESS YOUTH PREVENTION



NATIONAL RUNAWAY PREVENTION MONTH

To help reduce the incidence of youth homelessness and recognize November 2023 as National Runaway Prevention Month (NRPM), Payne County Youth Services hosted a candlelight vigil. In addition, many businesses, organizations and individuals partnered with PCYS to shine a green light at their locations to show support. This effort was designed to raise awareness of the issues faced by runaway and homeless youth and educate Payne County residents about strategies that help prevent youth from running away from home.





17th Annual
An Evening to Remember

Don't You Forget About Me

80's PROM

THE DEETS:

- January 25, 2025 @ 6pm
- OSU Student Union Ballroom
- Dinner by Celebrations Catering!
- Dancing and Games!
- Silent Auction!
- 80's Celebrity Look-a-Like Contest!
- Cash bar



TOTALLY RAD SPONSORSHIPS

Event Presenter: \$3,000

- 1 table of 8 guests
- 8 drink tickets
- Deluxe Marketing Package

Table Sponsor: \$1,500

- 1 table of 8 guests
- Premium Marketing Package

Friendship Sponsor: \$500

- 4 reservations

\$75
Individual
Reservation

Come stag, with your
main squeeze, or
bring the whole
gang!



Scan the QR code to secure reservations
online or call us at 405.377.3380.



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