2015 Annual Report



Jewish Family Services of Delaware's mission is to strengthen individuals, families and the community by providing counseling and support services, based on Jewish values.

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Dear Friends,

Dory Zatuchni and Valerie Middlebrooks

If 2015 can be defined by three words, they would be *transitional* and *thoroughly awesome*. Driven by the desire to better serve individuals and families as a "whole," we redefined and restructured our core service areas in order to assure coordination among our many programs. This integration of services did not just happen; our stakeholders committed themselves to hours of service helping us move forward with this new dynamic.

Below are but a few of our accomplishments and accolades:

- Employees voted JFS one of The News Journal's Top Workplaces in Delaware in 2015.
- Maggie Ratnayake, our Director of Older Adult Services, was named one of the *Delaware Business Time's* 40 Under 40!
- Plans to open our third office and provide services throughout the state of Delaware were realized when we leased our newest office in Lewes, Delaware. Our plans to open another Village serving older adults in eastern Sussex County were realized following many collaborative meetings with the Seaside Jewish Community, Epworth United Methodist Church and CAMP Rehoboth.
- The agency earned licensure from the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health as a provider of drug and alcohol counseling.

Our special thanks to all who have worked to further our mission, expand our reach and increase our impact:

- Michael Silverman for leading JFS's efforts in our first ever golf outing.
- Marci Aerenson and Regina Kerr Alonzo for spearheading the building of our Village Garden which will provide a peaceful environment for older adults, and vegetable and herb gardens to supplement our Bag Hunger Food Pantry.
- Lisa Driban and Rachel Harad for chairing not one but two events to introduce the garden concept to the community and to celebrate its opening eight months later.
- Sarah Driban, for sharing her artistic talents to design and brand all materials for the Village Garden campaign.
- Dan Rosenthal for helping us identify key staff to develop our video production program.
- Berta Borgenicht Kerr for ensuring the agency's future by making the first actualized gift to JFS through the community's Create a Jewish Legacy campaign.
- Phyllis and Buddy Aerenson for their unswerving love and support of JFS and the community.

Due to the efforts of our devoted supporters and tireless advocates, JFS is well positioned to increase our capacity to assist those in need to live full and productive lives. It is our honor to have this opportunity to serve our community.

Thank you,

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Valerie Middlebrooks, President

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Dory Zatuchni, LCSW, Chief Executive Officer

2015 Highlights



Named one of The News Journal's 2015 Top

Workplaces in Delaware — an honor bestowed on Delaware companies based on surveys of staff members. JFS was ranked among small companies and received the Special Award for Job Meaningfulness.

Launched campaign to build the Dory Zatuchni Village Garden outside JFS's Wilmington office.

The Garden Committee unveiled designs to the community in October 2015, launched a fundraising campaign to build and maintain the garden, oversaw its installation, and planned a gala to celebrate its opening. Completed in June 2016, the Village Garden is designed to meet the specific needs of older adults and is open to all ages and abilities.

Began expansion of JFS counseling and support

Services to Sussex County. Delaware's southernmost county faces a shortage of mental health services and higher rates of anxiety, depression, and mental health issues among children compared to the rest of the state. JFS's new office in Lewes, which opened in January 2016, was warmly welcomed by elected officials and local organizations like Seaside Jewish Community, CAMP Rehoboth, and Epworth United Methodist Church.

Youth-led #OtherOptions substance abuse prevention campaign reached thousands of young

Delawareans. Eighteen youth and young adults encouraged their peers to pursue healthy activities instead of trying drugs. Their photographs, tagged with the activity they themselves choose over drug use, appeared on the direct mail postcards and in the social media campaign. They wrote and starred in the 30 second PSA that reached 53,000 people at local cinemas and many more online.

Awarded License to Provide Alcohol and Drug Outpatient Treatment from Delaware's Department of Health and Social Services' Division of Substance

Abuse and Mental Health. Many JFS clients treated for stress, anxiety, depression, and other issues also struggle with substance use. The new license and expertise from our Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselors (CADC) enables JFS to meet the needs of those clients in-house.

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Vanessa Stansbury and Alice Stevens winners of the 2015 Mensch Award for Employee of the Year

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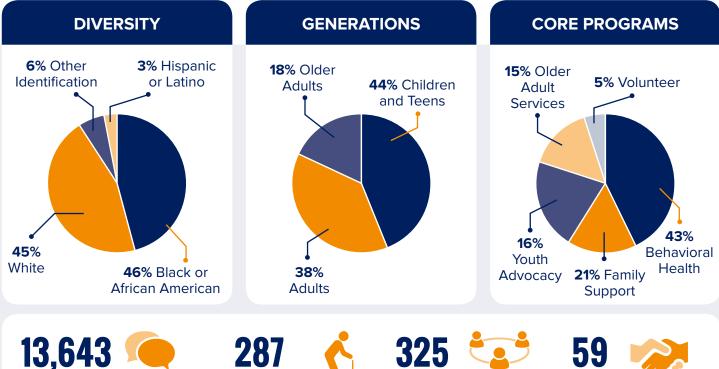
"You all work very hard to help me and my family...I love the fact you come to the house and listen to us, see what is really happening." – Mobile Therapy Client







Through our work, we live out these Jewish values: TIKKUN OLAM: Repairing the World TZEDEK: Justice KEHILLAH: Community CHESED: Compassion GIMELUT CHASADIM: Acts of loving kindness **B'TZELEM ELOHIM:** In G-d's image / Respecting the inherent dignity of the individual



counseling sessions helped children, adults, and families better manage their mental health.



young adults learned to build healthy relationships and connections.

287 older adults gained or maintained their independence.

people connected

to support systems & increased their families' stability.

refuaee families obtained workforce training or jobs.

Homeless women residing in a

Wilmington shelter received vital counseling and support.

VOLUNTEER STATS





youth learned substance

prevention, conflict resolution, and

new technological and workplace skills.

abuse and dating violence







OUTPATIENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

meeting life's challenges and managing mental health

Mobile Therapy
(formerly Intensive Outpatient Therapy)
Psychiatric Assessments & Medication Management

SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS

living and aging well in the place that is home

Brandywine Village Network – Northeastern New Castle County	Resident Services at B'nai B'rith House
	Care Management
Brandywine Village Network – Eastern Sussex County (coming Sept. 2016)	Delaware Aging Network (DAN)

YOUTH & FAMILY SUPPORT

strengthening skills to build a safe and secure future

Youth Advocacy	Family Support	Refugee Services
Youth Counseling &	Healing Hearts Seminar for Divorcing Parents	Healthcare Access
Case Management	Promoting Safe and Stable Families	Economic Integration
Media Literacy & Production	Family Crisis Therapists at Shortlidge,	Family Strengthening
Prevention Education	Marbrook, and Silverlake Elementary Schools	Citizenship Education and
FutureNet Workforce Development	Support Group for Women in Shelters	Naturalization Services
	Bag Hunger Food Pantry	





I thought that when I could no longer handle things, I would have to move out. I've been in this house for 60 years and it would have decimated me to leave. *JFS's Brandywine Village Network gives me the security to stay here.*

- Ruth, Brandywine Village Network

It is so important to have an organization that provides a way for immigrants to find their footing. JFS refugee program has helped me to get a job at Royal Farm, enroll and graduate from DELTECH and now I am UD doing pre-med at Christiana Health system.

– Anonymous, *Refugee Services*

Ms. Sophie is always pushing me to do better: to get a job, to apply to college, to learn about running a daycare. It is great to know that *there is someone who cares about my future* like that. – Darius, *Youth Advocacy*



You've helped me so much. I wish I would have met you 20 years ago. – Anonymous, *Outpatient Behavioral Health*

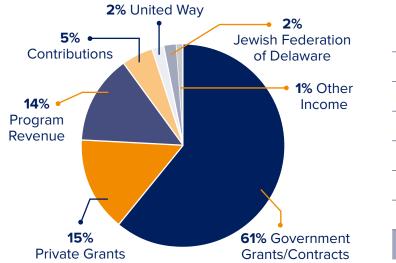


The most effective part of the program is teaching families the process of handling very difficult situations. When they learn how to take that big situation, break it down into little pieces, and conquer one piece at a time, *they can accomplish a lot*.

– Vanessa Stansbury, Family Resource Coordinator Promoting Safe and Stable Families

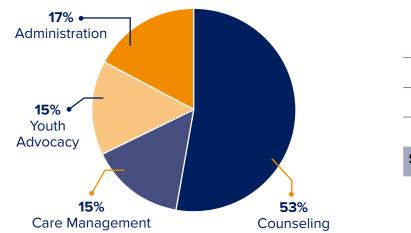


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\$2,963,177	TOTAL	
21,363	Other Income	1%
47,500	Jewish Federation of Delaware	2%
58,690	United Way	2%
161,350	Contributions	5%
432,759	Program Revenue	14%
445,732	Private Grants	15%
\$1,795,783	Government Grants/Contracts	61%

2015 EXPENSES



\$1,382,614	Counseling	53%
393,048	Care Management	15%
391,890	Youth Advocacy	15%
454,003	Administration	17%
\$2,621,555	TOTAL	

The 2015 audit was completed by Belfint, Lyons & Shuman, P.A., Certified Public Accountants. Comprehensive audit information is available at **jfsdelaware.org**.





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- Delaware Community Foundation
- Bank of America Charitable
 Foundation
- Longwood Foundation
- New Castle County Council
- Milton & Hattie Kutz Foundation
- Marmot Foundation Marmot

LOCAL CONTRACTS

American Lung Association

Robert and Joan Appleby Foundation

ALLOCATIONS

- Jewish Federation of Delaware
- United Way of Delaware
- B'nai B'rith Senior HousingMinistry of Caring

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

- Department of Services for Children, Youth, and their Families
- Division of Prevention and Behavioral Health Services
- Division of Youth Rehabilitative Services
- Department of Health and Social Services
 - Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance
 - Division of Public Health
 - > Division of Social Services

- TD Bank
- Pollyanna Foundation
- Chrystal Trust

- Refugee Assistance Program
- Emergency Food and Shelter Program
- Grant in Aid
- New Castle County Community Development Block Grant

LOCAL SUPPORTERS & SPONSORS

- Airbase Carpet & Tile Mart
- ATI Physical Therapy
- Bank of America
 Charitable Foundation
- Cardiology Physicians, P.A.
- · Cole Schotz, P.C.
- Dynamic Physical Therapy

- Services, LLC
- Fairfax Discount Liquor
- Gunnip and Company, LLP
- Parcels, Inc.

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- Ross, Aronstam, & Mortiz, LLC
- Seaside Jewish Community
- Silverman, McDonald & Friedman
- Spine Care Delaware
- Stempler Family Foundation
- Weiss & Saville, P.A.
- Wilmington Family Eye Care

- **MATCHING GIFTS & EMPLOYEE GIVING**
- ACE Charitable Foundation
- Agilent Technologies
- Bank of America Charitable
- Foundation
- BNY Mellon
- Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation
- FMC Corporation
- Macy's Foundation
- Prudential Foundation Matching Gifts

JFS volunteers turn their values into action.

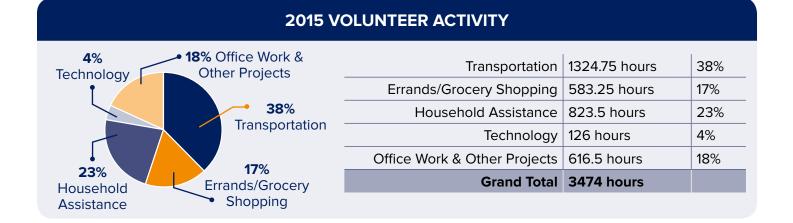
2015 Volunteer of the Year Donald Thureau



People of every age and from all walks of life generously give their time and talent to support older adults in our Brandywine Village Network. As friendly visitors to seniors in our community. As technology tutors assisting with computers and smart phones. As caring neighbors who help water plants, organize the garage, spruce gardens, rake leaves, and assemble furniture. As kindhearted cooks who prepare meals for our Bag Hunger Food Pantry.

Volunteers drove a total of 12,525 miles, ensuring that BVN members reached their doctors, beauty salons, grocery stores, and more. They "adopted" families in need, gifting countless children with a special holiday and reminding their guardians that there is hope. They collected and sorted food and toiletries. They helped young adults practice interview skills.

When they connect with clients and increase our ability to serve, volunteers make our community a better place to live.



VOLUNTEERS

- Andrew & Cecilia Abraham
- Catherine An
- Rena Applebaum
- Katie Askren
- Aisha Baig
- Barbara Bedwell
- Robert Bergman
- Jen Blackwell
- Sharisse Borst
- Myrle Bowe Freida Brako
- Trevor Brandt
- Prince & Steph Burns
- Luis Caceres-Garcia
- Larry Caldwell
- Alexis Carey
- Jamie & Sara Carty

- Bob Caughey
- Myeshia Christopher
- Kassandra Clarke
- Gerard & Chrystal
- Clodomir
- Debbie Cluley
- Molly Cohen
- Carol Coleman
- Gabe Cotsell
- Linda Curran
- Andy Danner
- Adithya Dattatri
- Al Delaney
- Matthew D'Elia
- Doug DeVoll
- Pete DiBona
- Treiva Dungee

- Bob Dunlap
- Susan, Amanda,
- & Ben Ebner
- Susan Fox
- Sheila Gardner
- Alisa Garnek
- Claire Gerchman
- Morgan Germack
- Joe Goldberg
- Lynn Goldberg
- Samantha Graver
- Lillian Gray
- Jody Grinberg
- Corey Hahn
- Ryan & Chayla Hare
- Ivy Harlev
 - Deneen Hart

- Mark Herzing
- Ed Hickey
- Pete Higgins
- Gene Hitchens
- Patrick Horsky
- Rick & Elspeth Hynes
- Olivia Iffland
- Linda & Jacob Jaworski
- Susan Jonas
- Terri Kaplan
- Jason, Stephanie, Jordan, & Charlotte Kaplan
- Fred Katz
- Martin Kirk
- Bob Krajeski
- Anand Kunkekar
- Bethany Kutz

- Kathy Kuypers
- Juliette Laws
- Rachel Lee
- Lexie Lerman
- Allen Levine
- Danna Levy
- Paula Long
- Bill Long

- Debbie & Aaron Nachlis
- Mike Nesnow
- Emily Nisbet
- Ashish Parbhakar
- Peg Parsons
- Lynn Paxson
- Kristina & Annie Penrod
- Alison Perez

- Dylan Rothschild
- Michelle Rowland
- Helen Rubin
- Anne Saks
- Katie Salmon
- Simon Schatz
- Teresa & Max Scheiner
- Lauren Schindler

- Michael Turco
- Diane VanScoyk
- Robin Vernon
- Heidi Vorrasi
- Laurel Wagenheim
- Joseph Wahl
- Bill Wallach
- Monica Wamsley



Volunteering refreshes me. I think that all people should try it.

I volunteer to do the vacuuming for two older ladies who are part of the Village. One uses a walker, so it's hard for her to vacuum. The other has bad hips, so it's helpful for her too. They tell me 'you help me so much. I can't even tell you how much this helps.' – Amy, *Volunteer*

- Greg Maccari
- Susan Makowski
- Regina Mancini
- Emma Manniso
- Nora Martin
- Bill & Mary Ann McLaughlin
- Campbell McKay
- Aron Megyeri
- Jay Merenda
- Tracey Messenger
- Daniel Metz
- Georgina Mezher
- Eric Montanez
- Sharon Moorhead
- J & Kate Morgner

VOLUNTEER GROUPS

Boy Scout Troop 70

Training

Chemours

Camp JCC's Leaders in

- Lenore Moston
- Tim Murphy

- Doug & Pam Perkins
- Gabriel Peters, II
- Terry Pierse
- Huguette Piha
- Perry Polss
- Sebastian Quintero
- Mamatha Ratnam
- Hiran Ratnavake
- Carolyn Ray
- Stephanie Reilly
- Christina Renzette
- Debbie Roberts
- Jeanette Rodriguez
- Taylor Rogers
- Matthew Rosen
- John, Karen, & Dylan
 - Roskovensky

Christiana Care Health

Hospital Multicultural

Heritage Committee

System Wilmington

- Barbara Schneider
- Jack & Mary Ann Sellers
- Jeannie & Érica Seraiva
- Mary Shaver
- Angelique Shepard
- Robbie Simon
- Ilene Sivakoff
- Stefan Small
- Dorothy Sterling
- Kristen Stuart
- Joshua Stull
- LaShonda Tate
- Stephanie Thomas
- Davichan Thomas
- Alison Thompson
- Donald Thureau

If we want to keep everyone safe, we have to step up and help. I've learned that there aren't great transportation options around here. If you can't drive and you don't have family in the area, it's really difficult to get anywhere. That's why the Village is so important. We make sure that members who don't drive anymore

Carol Troy

can still get where they need to go.

City Church

Chapter 96

National Association of

Women in Construction,

– Emily, Volunteer

- Amanda Warren
- Kevin Warwick
- Evan Wells
- Joan White
- Deborah Wi
- Sarah Willard
- Megan Williams
- James Williams
- Tonia Williamson
- Josh Wilson
- Beth Winnington
- Linden Wolf
- Maggie WoodTom Youse

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