

GROWING TOGETHER

Impact Report 2019



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Summer 2020

Dear Friends,

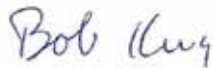
For more than 150 years, The Foundling has represented stability, strength, and support for our neighbors. Since our bold beginnings, we have been committed to innovation and growth. 2019 was no exception — we celebrated our milestone 150th anniversary, expanded many of our programs, and witnessed thousands of successes among the children, adults, and families who participate in our programs. Our impact report highlights accomplishments from last year, but we would be remiss not to recognize the challenges and hardships facing our community right now as our lives are impacted by COVID-19.

Through this crisis, The Foundling has risen to the occasion to do what we do best: support our community in times of great need. Our programs currently look and feel different — video conferences replace in-person family counseling sessions, our direct service workers wear masks and gloves in their daily interactions, and the children in our programs connect with teachers and friends on tablets and laptops instead of in classrooms. Despite it all, The Foundling continues to be a source of comfort and guidance for everyone who is working to transform their lives and reach their full potential.

We remain amazed and inspired by the tenacity and resilience of our Foundling Family to create meaningful opportunities for us all to grow together and help our clients on their own paths to independence and success. Please enjoy the following personal stories of growth you've helped shape this past year.



Bill Baccaglino
President & CEO



Bob King
Board Chair



OUR SERVICE AREAS

Since our bold beginnings in 1869, The New York Foundling has supported hundreds of thousands of our neighbors on their own paths to stability, strength, and independence. With an internationally-recognized and interrelated set of research-backed services, The Foundling works in partnership with children, adults, and families in New York and in Puerto Rico who are working to create transformational change in their own lives.



Child Welfare

Setting up children and families for a healthy future.



The New York City Council Recognizes our Work

Our Child Abuse Prevention Program, which teaches children how to recognize and report abuse, inspired the City Council to allocate \$248,000 in new funding to continue the program in 2019.



Developmental Disabilities

Opening doors for people with developmental disabilities so they can live their best lives.



Education

Pioneering distinctive educational programs that provide opportunities for young people to succeed in the classroom and in life.



A New Home for the Long Run

Ardley House, a residence for six men in Westchester County, opened in October 2019. This 'forever home' is single-level and was designed to enable its residents to comfortably age and grow in place.



Health and Behavioral Health

Preventing and addressing medical, mental health, and behavioral health needs using proven evidence-based practices.



Juvenile and Criminal Justice

Using positive pathways and supportive networks to provide alternatives to incarceration and divert children and youth from the criminal justice system.



Opening The Foundling's Home of Integrated Behavioral Health

In January 2019, we opened a standalone community health center in East Harlem to best serve the mental health needs of our community. The center is designed to serve 200 families each year.

 **Spotlight:**
**FOSTER
CARE**

Providing care for children separated from their parents has been core to The Foundling's mission since 1869. Today, we are one of New York City's largest providers of foster care services, partnering with children, biological families, and foster families to provide loving foster homes and support services for more than 1,000 young people each year. Additionally, our preventive programs — which are focused on keeping children with their families and out of the foster care system — use research-based counseling and support models to keep all members of the household safe, supported, and together.



Sandra has loved caring for young children her entire life — and through The Foundling, she’s found opportunities to share her heart and home with more than 20 children.

Over the past 19 years, Sandra has partnered with The Foundling’s foster care team members to get the specialized training and support she needs, arming her with the resources and tools to address the unique needs of those in her care. Over the years, Sandra’s family has grown in unexpected ways, most notably through the adoption of three children who were previously in foster care. In addition to her adopted sons, she is currently fostering two younger children. With Sandra’s support, her foster and adopted children are defying the odds and finding the stability and strength to thrive.



Last year at The Foundling:

- 501** Foster parents
- 104** New kinship foster parents
- 69** Children adopted
- 43** New foster homes opened - an increase of 54% over last year
- 84** Foster parent orientations hosted

Our prevention programs work:

This year, city officials announced that the number of New York City children in foster care is at an all-time low. There are currently 8,000 children living with foster families - down from 17,000 in 2010. This drop is attributed to the high-quality prevention programs provided by The Foundling and other agencies city-wide. We’re proud to be helping families thrive!

 **Spotlight:**

FOSTERING COLLEGE SUCCESS INITIATIVE

(AKA The Dorm Project)

Fewer than 4% of youth in foster care earn a college degree, compared to 35% of their peers. The Foundling's Dorm Project, a partnership with the Administration for Children's Services and City University of New York, provides students in foster care with the academic, social, and financial support they need to defy these odds. Students live in CUNY dormitories and have specialized support as they grow academically and work toward college degrees.

The Dorm Project provides students with opportunities for educational success.

In the 2018-2019 school year:

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Students earned associates degrees or transferred to 4-year universities.

40%

More than 40% of grades earned by Dorm Project students in both semesters were A's and B's.





Alex has his eyes set on the future.

He's majoring in business at Queensborough Community College with the goal of turning his passion for athletic footwear into an opportunity for international entrepreneurship.

The Foundling has been an integral part of his journey. In three years with the Dorm Project, the support he's received from his team of case planners, tutors, social workers, and coaches have allowed him to succeed in classes, find career mentorship, travel abroad, and work toward making his dreams a reality.

Latina wants to help others.

As a first-year student at Borough of Manhattan Community College, she is enjoying the independence, stability, and support that the Dorm Project has provided. Over the past few months, she has appreciated the emotional and academic assistance that her coaches have provided in navigating college life.

As a Childhood Education and Psychology major, she's planning for a career in Social Work. She is innately driven by her desire to give back, and to use her own experiences growing up to assist others in foster care.

**“I've been in foster care since age 7,”
Latina says.
“I've been through a lot.”**

 **Spotlight:**

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

At The New York Foundling, our programs for people with developmental disabilities take a person-centered approach, weaving together tailored solutions for people so they can live their best life. Our Developmental Disabilities Division's supportive residences, day and community habilitation programs, and employment services build wellbeing and help people with developmental disabilities unlock their potential.

**Today, our Developmental
Disabilities Division:**



**Serves
1,000
people**



**Manages 104
residences,
home to
504 people**



**Operates
15 day
programs**

Michael, who has lived in a Foundling residence since 2014, has made great strides in his path toward independence and personal growth.

With the help of caring staff both at his home and within our Day Habilitation program, he has overcome behavioral challenges over the past 6 years, and is now taking charge of his future. He enjoys watching movies, spending time with housemates and staff, and is taking on progressively harder tasks around the home, including yard work, grocery shopping, and cleaning. Michael continues to grow and pursue new opportunities and interests, and he's also actively looking for a full time job.



Growing Our Reach

Beginning in 2019, The Foundling took over the management of residences and programs formerly operated by two other New York non-profits, expanding our ability to provide services in all five boroughs of New York, as well as in Orange, Rockland, and Westchester Counties.

**Last year, our
Developmental
Disabilities
Division doubled
in size.**



THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

During our festive Blue Party, our special 150th Anniversary Gala at The Plaza Hotel, and numerous other celebrations throughout the year, we were honored to celebrate this milestone year with our dedicated supporters.

The generosity of our Board of Trustees, Junior Board, individual donors, corporate partners, volunteers, and other supporters make our work possible. Thank you for your commitment and for being a part of our Foundling Family.



Co-chairs of the Gala Host Committee Jim Brune and Mickey Lyons welcomed 500 guests to our record-setting 150th Anniversary Gala.



Excitement filled New York City's legendary Plaza Hotel during our 150th Anniversary Gala live auction, which raised more than \$150,000 to support The Foundling's programs.



Greg Markaway presented *"Telling Your Story"* during The Foundling's Reunion Day, which brought together Foundling adoptees, Orphan Train descendants, and other alumni.



TD Bank employees welcomed spelling bee champions from Haven Academy for a special holiday event and gift drive.



The Sisters of Charity led Foundling staff and supporters with the processional at St. Patrick's Cathedral during a special mass honoring The Foundling's 150th anniversary.



An annual tradition, volunteers from Macy's brought holiday cheer by decorating the lobby of our Chelsea location.



Claire Tetart and Laurene Coral were participants in the 2019 TCS New York City Marathon as part of Team Foundling.



We are grateful for everyone who supported The Foundling during the 2019 Fiscal Year (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019), and are proud to acknowledge their generosity.

Visit www.nyfoundling.org/2019donors for a full list of supporters.



OUR REACH

The Foundling currently operates more than 50 programs in all five boroughs of New York City, surrounding counties, and Puerto Rico.

In 2019, our **2,751** staff members provided programs and services to nearly **30,000** of our neighbors.

We received generous donations from **1,983** supporters, including gifts from donors in **43** states.



OUR FINANCIALS

Operating Expenses



Donations from Private Sources:



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of every dollar donated to The Foundling goes directly to supporting our programs

2018 - 2019 Fiscal Year:

Total Revenue: \$198,925,517
Total Revenue from Private Sources: \$6,873,124
Total Operating Expenses: \$195,501,411

Net Assets, Beginning of the Year: \$80,602,996
Net Assets, End of the Year: \$84,027,102
Change in Net Assets: \$3,424,106



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