

Family Solutions Annual Report 2017-2018



Every Child Deserves a Safe and Loving Home.

Our Mission

The mission of Family Solutions is to provide safe and loving homes, families and services that will enable foster children in our care to heal from family trauma and develop into strong, self-reliant, moral adults.

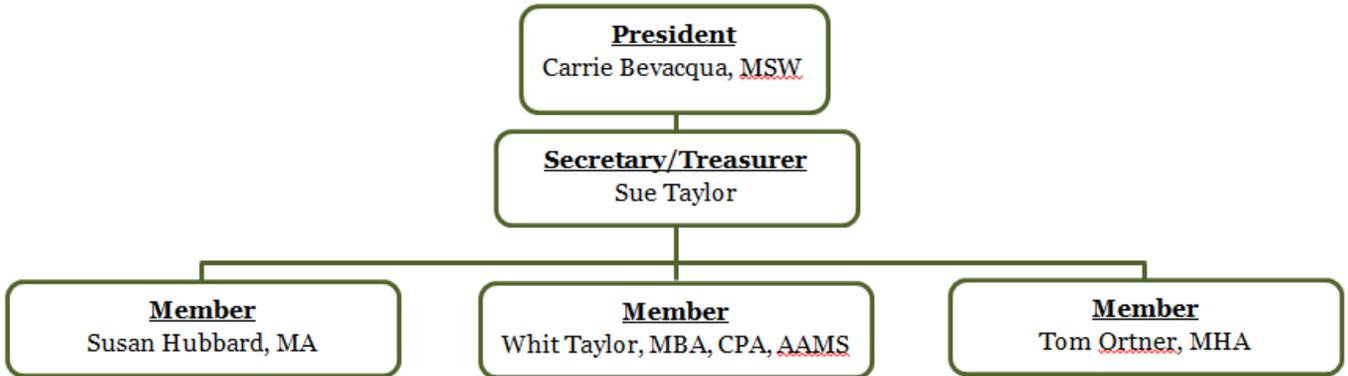
We are devoted to nurturing children's emotional, social, spiritual, academic and physical development. We also strive to facilitate families in maintaining healthy, productive, supportive family systems; in so doing, we commit to establish a stable home environment in which children can grow.

Our Vision

The Vision for Family Solutions is to develop our organization to provide the utmost in quality care for children placed with our carefully chosen foster families; assure that supervision and staff training afford all staff the opportunity to grow and increase their abilities to provide quality service; expand the number of Family Solutions' foster families to better meet the growing need in the counties we serve; and create a culture of excellence through Performance and Quality Improvement activities to assure the integrity and viability of our services.

Family Solutions

Board of Directors



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Staff Members

Trishanne Lininger, MA, LMFT, LPCC, Executive Director

Courtney Calkins, MA, LMFT, Supervising Social Worker

Rebecca Williamson, MS, LMFT, Social Worker

Melanie Whelchel, MSW, Social Worker

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Janelle Otten, Administrative Assistant



We're Accredited!

In order to comply with California's new Continuum of Care Reform (CCR) regulations, Family Solutions, Foster Family Agency applied for national accreditation through the Council on Accreditation (COA) in May of 2016. After submitting our application, Family Solutions worked to improve our current practices to not only meet the standards developed by COA that reflect best practices, but to ensure Family Solutions is delivering the best possible services to our community. On August 1st, 2018 Family Solutions successfully obtained national accreditation! Family Solutions' accreditation is valid through August 31, 2021.

Our Program

Foster Care Services

The purpose of Family Solutions' Foster Care Services is to provide healthy home environments for youth and non-minor dependents (NMD) and develop individualized, culturally relevant, trauma informed, age and developmentally appropriate treatment plans to assist in that effort. The ultimate goal is to take the neglected and abused youth/NMD in whom we have been entrusted and offer them safe and loving homes, families and services that will enable them to heal and live content, healthy lives. It is the mission of Family Solutions to support all family members in the development of a family system which protects, provides for, and honors all family members, especially the youth/NMDs. In order to accomplish this goal, Family Solutions delivers a comprehensive system of care to teach youth/NMD, as well as the biological family members.

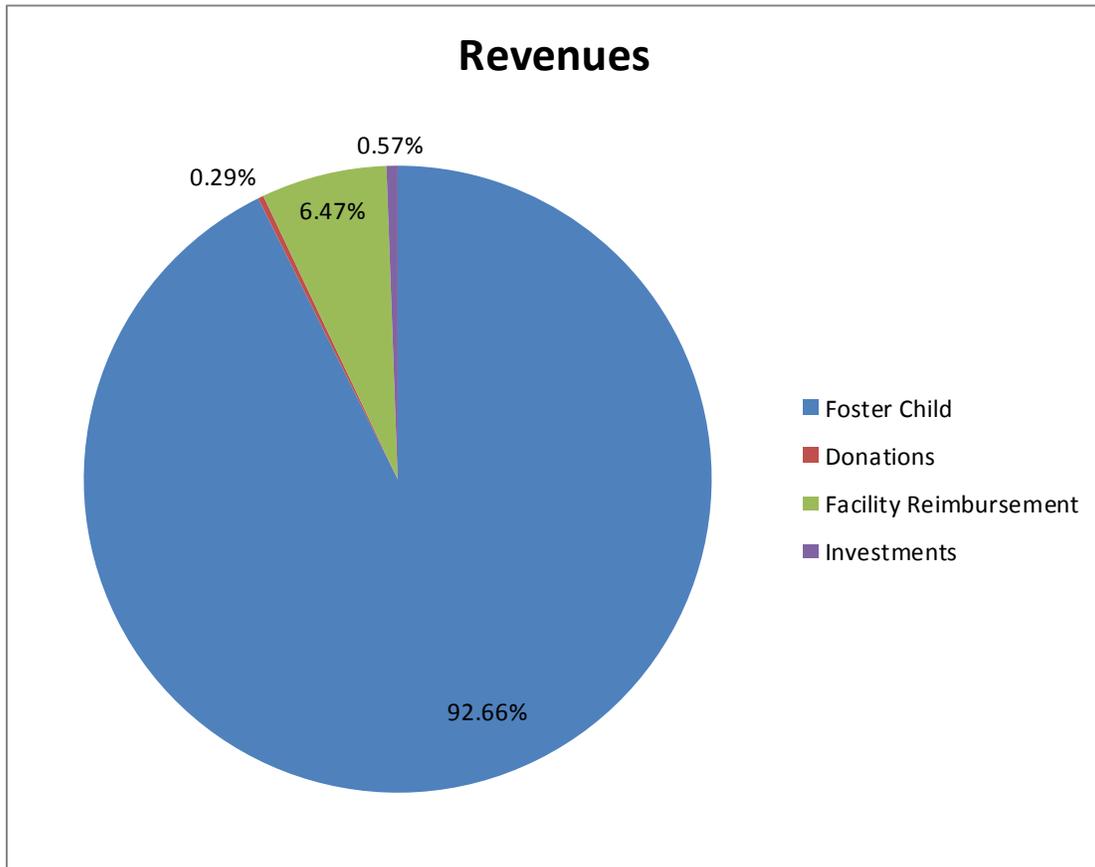
Integral to this mission is the goal to recruit quality, experienced, loving Resource Families who:

- Are interested in supporting the emotional, educational, physical, social, and spiritual growth of the youth/NMD;
- Have realistic expectations regarding the challenges of foster care;
- Are individually prepared to offer their love and family resources for the care of a youth/NMD.

Family Solutions only recruits Resource Families who are unanimously approved by at least three staff members and also achieve the state standards and county requirements for becoming a Resource Family.

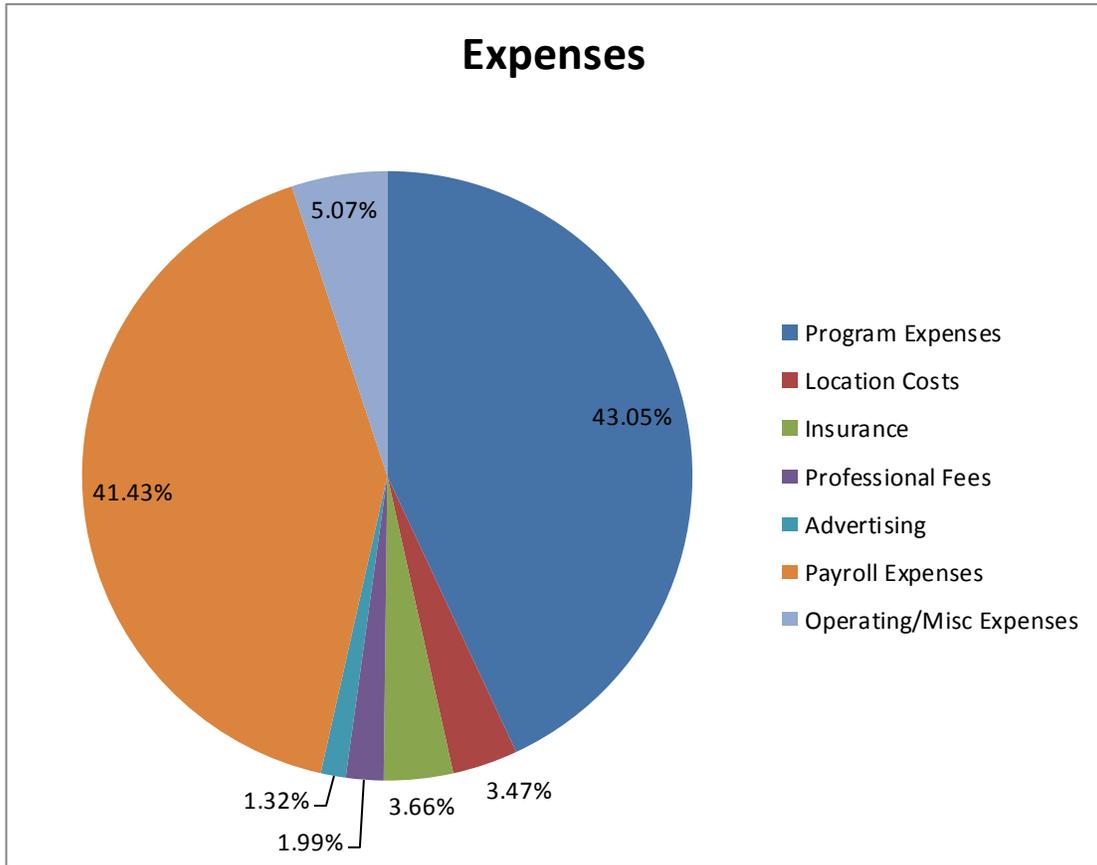


Financial Highlights



Family Solutions receives 92.66% of its income from the counties from which we receive foster child placements. Additionally, Family Solutions receives a facility reimbursement from Counseling Solutions for the use of Family Solutions' building, equipment and supplies that makes up 6.47% of our total revenues. .86% of Family Solutions' income comes from outside donations and investment income.

Financial Highlights



Family Solutions' spends 43.05% of expenses on the program, which includes paying foster/resource parents to care for children in care and for the licenses and fees required to run a foster care agency.

41.43% of expenses are spent on staff. 5.07% of expenses for operating and miscellaneous areas include training, travel, office expenses, etc.

Foster Children

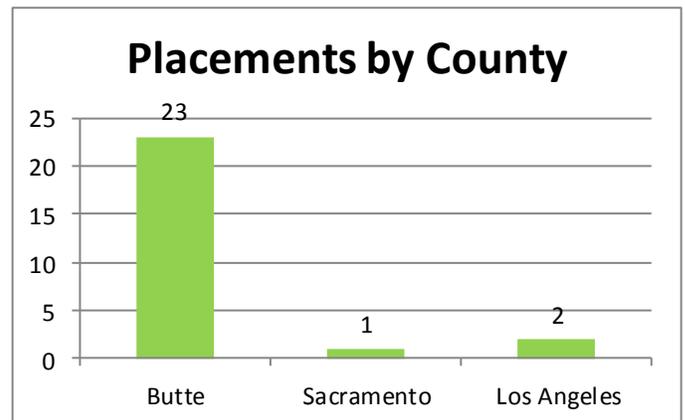
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foster children were placed with a Family Solutions' safe and loving home between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018.

Of the children placed...

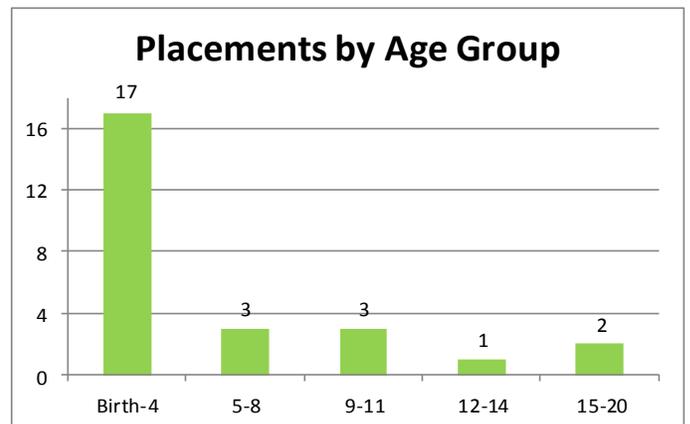
88%

were from Butte County.
One was from Sacramento
County and two were from
Los Angeles County.



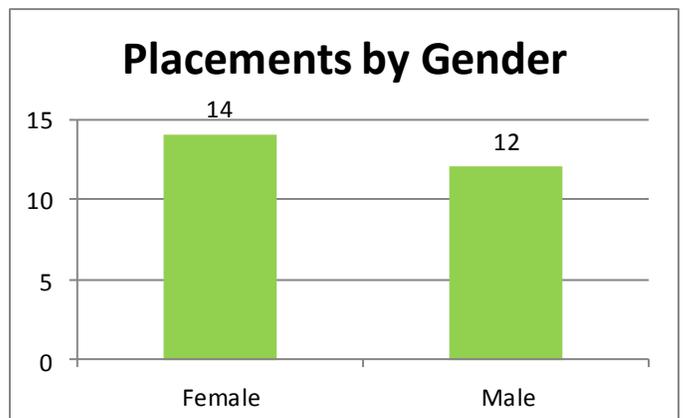
65%

were between the ages of
0 and 4 years old.



54%

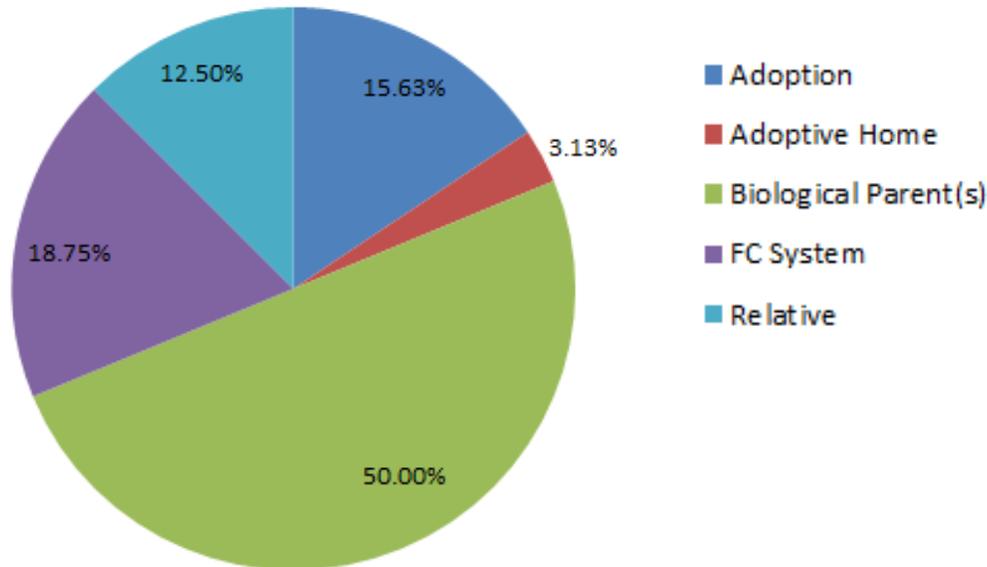
were female.



32

foster children were discharged from Family Solutions between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 for a variety of reasons, as explained below:

Outcome of Discharges



Biological Parent(s)

16

foster children were successfully reunited with their biological parent(s)!

FC System

6

foster children were transferred to another home in the Foster Care (FC) System.

Relative

4

foster children were successfully reunited with a relative!

Adoption

5

foster children were adopted by their Family Solutions' Foster/Resource Family.

Adoptive Home

1

foster child was transferred to a Foster/Resource Family in the Foster Care System that wanted to adopt them.

Number of Foster/Resource Families on June 30, 2017:



Changes in the 2017/2018 Fiscal Year:

6
New **Resource**
Homes

4
Closed
Homes

What is a Resource Family?

Starting January 1, 2017, Family Solutions began certifying Resource Families. The Resource Family Approval (RFA) program, part of California's Continuum of Care Reform (CCR) established a new family-friendly and child-centered approval process for all related and non-related families seeking to care for children and youth in foster care. Family Solutions will convert all current Foster Families to Resource Families by December 31, 2018.



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Foster Families yet to be converted to Resource Homes.

Foster/Resource Families

How Can You Help?

There are many ways to help Family Solutions fulfil its mission and vision...

- Become a Resource Family
- Make a monetary donation
- Make a donation of gently used clothes to our clothing closet

Get started today by visiting www.familyolutions.com or calling 530-893-4245.

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