2016 MEND Annual Report



Mission: With dignity and respect, powered by volunteers, MEND's mission is to break the bonds of poverty by providing basic human needs and a pathway to self-reliance.



"Although my husband and I work, having assistance at MEND with dental care, clothing and food services is invaluable."

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209 home gardens were built through our **Grow Together** Project.



388 ndividuals participated in special distributions including Project Glamour, the baby showers and costumes for Halloween.



La Colectiva's cottage product sales raised an additional \$300 which will be used for micro-loans for future endeavors.









773 students received health services career training.







1,724 participated in the job training program



ago - "You gave our family food" or "You made sure we had Christmas" they tell us. And there's nothing more gratifying than receiving donations from the 100 or so people who have helped support MEND since we opened 45 years ago in a handful of storefronts on Van Nuys Boulevard. We cherish each face, past and present - our clients, the thousands of volunteers,

There's nothing so heartwarming as meeting someone who remembers us from years

the tremendous staff and all of you who have help us build MEND into one of the most successful and respected nonprofit groups in California. MEND is unique in its approach to ending poverty. With dignity and respect, we help meet the needs of our clients, providing food, clothing, and medical, dental and vision care. But we both believe the most valuable service we offer is education because it opens the path out of poverty.

What will always make MEND special is its heart – our volunteers. In fact, for the first 17 years, we were powered entirely by volunteers. As MEND has grown, we've hired a small staff to advance our mission. We dream a lot about what more we can do to help our less fortunate neighbors. But the truth is, we believe it's important to enhance the programs we have rather than go in new directions where we don't have the expertise. We can be much more effective by working with partners and referring our clients for special services.

Seeing clients succeed and often return as volunteers to give back to the organization that lifted them gives us confidence that MEND will continue to be a leader in caring for our neighbors in need. To those considering volunteering at MEND, we both have found that life is more complete when you're involved.

We wish you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2017 and thank all of those who support this important work.

Ed and Carolyn Rose, MEND CO-FOUNDERS

93% of spring semester students stated that the course increased their speaking, reading, listening and writing abilities in English.









The Give Kids a Smile event provided free dental services to 181 children.



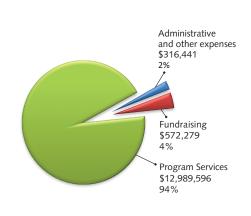
109 students in the computer lab program completed and advanced to the next level at the end of the Spring Semester.

Medical Clinic has graduated 20 patients through the Diabetic Health Education Program. 40% of diabetic patients have decreased blood sugar levels.

57% of patients improved plaque levels and Oral Hygiene by an average of 21%

Total Expenses \$13,878,316

including depreciation: \$331,585 for the year ending June 30, 2016



Total Income \$13,495,336

Total of all volunteers (unduplicated)

Equivalent FTE (Full time equivalent)

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Total Job Trainee Volunteer Hours

(63% of total vol. hrs) (59% of total vol.

Total of new volunteers

Total volunteer hours

Total client encounters

Total volunteer hours

Total participants

Total Children

Total Encounters

Total MEND Encounters

Total MEND Encounters

Gardens built to date

Total Patient Encounters

Total Patient Encounters

Total Number of Showers

Total Computer Lab students

Total unduplicated students ages 6-18

Total Agency Wide Collaborations

Total Community Group Volunteers

New Community Group Volunteers

Total unduplicated special event participants

Total ESL students

Collaborating Universities/ Colleges

Number of Dental patients improved oral

Number of Diabetic patients improved blood

Health Education/ Event Encounters

Outreach Recipient Encounters

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Total Number of Organization Hosting

Total Number of Outreach Pantries/Agencies

Total unduplicated clients

5,050

187,252

497,644

16,494

45,067

111,755

1,724

2629

4.861

80.718

105,785

68,309

205.971

5,211

57%

4,912

40%

1.859

2,192

331

451

197

759

375

112

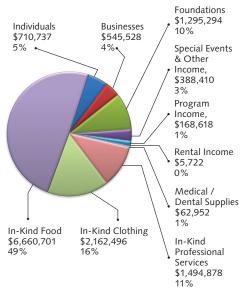
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for the year ending June 30, 2016



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