

# Reading Legacies

2015

Annual Report



*“Empowering the next generation through the shared-reading experience”*

# **Reading Legacies 2016**

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## 2015 Annual Program Report Reading Legacies... creating family connections

The **Reading Legacies program for families** benefits children and youth who are experiencing a stressful lack of connection to a parent or other family member due to incarceration. Read-aloud books and DVDs are sent home to the children.

During 2015, Reading Legacies helped to create **4,994** shared-reading experiences for over **2,400 Participants** through our **Reading Legacies program for families**. This is all possible due to our dedicated volunteers who have provided over **2,000 hours** of their time, as well as generous contributions from community members.

### Survey results from family members at home:

- ✓ **85%** report the child is doing more independent reading
- ✓ **86%** report child's relationship with the incarcerated family member has improved
- ✓ **81%** of the caregivers report their relationship with the incarcerated family member has improved
- ✓ **75%** report they are reading more with the child at home
- ✓ **51%** report an improvement in the child's school work and reading skills

### Survey Results from participating inmates/detainees:

- ✓ **93%** report satisfaction with the program
- ✓ **86%** report that this program is important
- ✓ **73%** report this is the **ONLY** source of VISUAL contact with the child at home
- ✓ **53%** report an improved relationship with the child at home
- ✓ **12%** report this is the **ONLY** form of communication with their family



### Testimonials:

***"Before receiving the book, the sister was depressed because she felt abandoned. After receipt of the book and video she felt that her brother loved her. She also went to school and talked with a counselor about her brother being away. It helped her understand that she shouldn't blame herself. The mom saw a positive change in her daughter."*** Statement from a mother whose son is detained in a Juvenile Detention Facility.

***"She loved it so much. She still reads along with it and her book. She reminds me if I could send her another video and book. It keeps my baby busy and puts her heart at ease."*** Statement from a mother incarcerated at a San Diego County Women's Detention Facility.

In this program-

- Total Participants: 2,418
- Total Shared-reading experiences: 4,994
- Total volunteer hours: 2,032



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### Reading Legacies... creating community connections

The **Reading Legacies program for teens** benefits at-risk children and youth by giving high school students the opportunity to learn leadership skills while sharing of themselves through reading aloud regularly with preschool children in their own communities.

In 2015, Reading Legacies helped to create **4,015** shared-reading experiences for over **300 children and teens** through our **Reading Legacies program for teens**. This was all made possible through the dedication of our volunteers who provided over **1,600 hours** of their time, as well as generous contributions from community members.

#### Teen Survey Results:

- ✓ **100%** reported that participation with this program allowed them to have a positive impact on their younger siblings/relatives as well as the preschool children with whom they read
- ✓ **100%** report that participation in the program has strengthened their leadership skills
- ✓ **86%** report they are reading more for personal enjoyment
  - An **increase of 69%** from before participation in this program
- ✓ **77%** report increase use of the public library
  - An **increase of 23%** from before participation in this program
- ✓ **77%** report they are reading with a younger sibling/relative
  - An **increase of 7%** from before participation in this program



#### Testimonials:

***"I believe it will help benefit us both because they got to learn new things through me and also by me being kind and respectful to them they will hopefully follow my example. This taught me more of what it means to be responsible which will help me a lot in the future. Thank you for letting me be a part of this program; I gained a lot through it."***  
High school volunteer reader/role model

***"Reading Legacies has been an incredible experience. Reading to these kids, helps spark a love for reading in them. I also realized how important it is for the children to have an adolescent reading to them, because they then think of reading as something everyone does. I believe that participating in Reading Legacies has inspired me to continue being an active member in my community, by part-taking [partaking] in volunteering programs, such as Reading Legacies that not only benefit our community as a whole, but also help make a difference in a child's life."*** High school volunteer reader/role model

#### In this Program:

- Total Participants: 300
- Total Shared-reading experiences: 4,015
- Total Volunteer hours: 1,693



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## Contributing Partners August 2010- December 2015

Reading Legacies is a 501(c)(3), nonprofit, public benefit organization supported by gifts and grants from individuals, corporations, foundations, civic groups and service organizations. Each of these donors has helped to provide shared-reading experiences for **27,009** children, parents, and other family members since our inception. On their behalf, **thank you!** \* = 2015 Donors

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Reading Legacies established the Stephen R. Lewis, M.D. Legacy Fund at the Jewish Community Foundation of San Diego to honor Steve's life. All donations made in his memory are directed into this fund to provide ongoing support for the leadership of our organization through the *Stephen R. Lewis, M. D. Presidential Chair*. Thank you for this tribute to his life by creating "reading legacies" in many children's lives. \* = 2015 Donors

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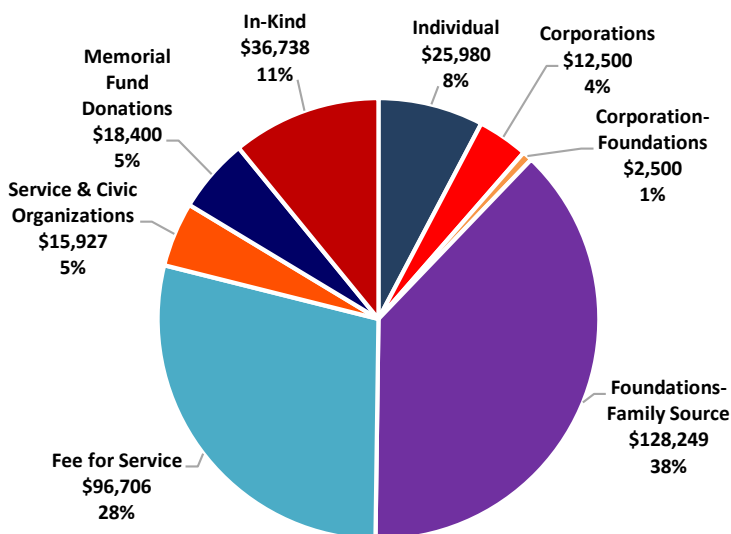
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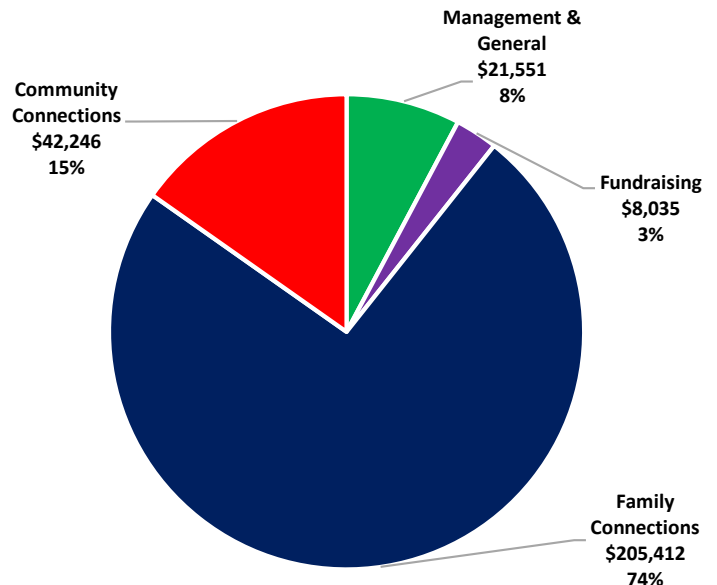
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## Reading Legacies 2015 Income & Expense Report

Total Income = \$337,000



Total Expenditures = \$277,244



Source: Accountant's Compilation Report for 2015, prepared by Lynda Ann Walker, C.P.A.

### In both programs from 2010-2015

•Total Number of Participants: 14,716 •Total Shared-reading experiences: 27,009 •Total Volunteer hours: 12,875

## **Mission**

Our mission is to empower children and youth as valued family and community members through intergenerational shared-reading experiences.

## **Vision**

Our vision is that shared-reading will connect all children and youth to their families and communities.

## **Core Values**

- We value children and youth as powerful and important resources for the future of any community.
- We value intergenerational social interaction as an opportunity to share cultural heritage and values.
- We value reading aloud as an effective medium to build relationships and develop an interest in reading.
- We value service to others as a powerful method for personal growth and increase in self-worth.
- We value our relationship with our community and our country as a public trust by providing services with the highest integrity and sound business practices.





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