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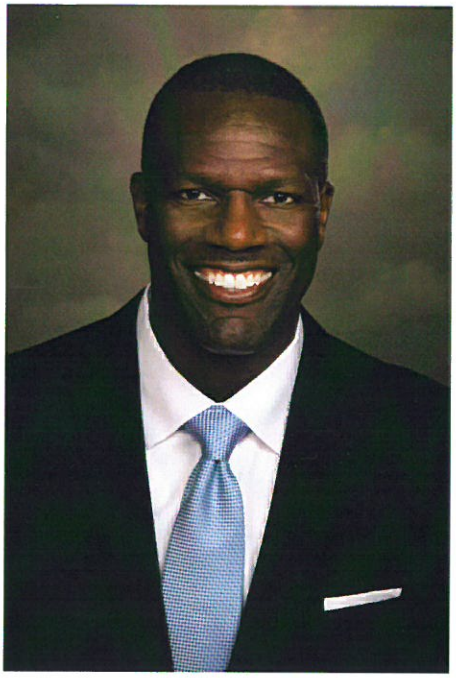
Dear Friends of Wernle,

While visiting our campus, pause and reflect on the names on buildings and rooms that pay honor to people who have helped us immeasurably grow in our healing mission.

The Maley's of Richmond have been supporting Wernle for decades. Bob Maley, one of the first people who stepped forward after I was hired as CEO in 2001, recognized that we were something special, anticipating our true potential, to grow and to help more hurting young people. He served tirelessly on our board; he was a true catalyst for change on campus, a visionary for what has happened in the last several years. His wife, Charlotte, now is the picture of Wernle optimism, a diligent advocate who serves on our board. John Maley continues the vision as our amazing attorney. It was with great pleasure to me in 2016 that we acknowledged them and their legacy. The Maley name graces our Girl's Unit, one of the most significant legacies of the biggest building campaigns in our history, $10 million raised over two phases.



In addition to Maley Hall, other names of generous people grace new facilities on campus including: Gordon Hall, funded by the Mathile Family Foundation, and Sharpe Hall, funded by the Sharpe Family Foundation from Ohio. The Sharpe Family has been strong supporters for over ten years, which began with a life-saving donation to replace a boiler that had gone out. They continue their contributions over the years via our Golf Events, Capital Campaigns, Annual Funds, and Catalyst4Change, for which they are our Premier Sponsor. In 2016, the Tom and Betty Leininger Family Foundation nameplate was added on rooms in the new Girls Private Secure Unit, another example of our campaign successes.

In 2017, watch for another name to be honored on our flagship administration building that will be the most visible on our campus, generously funded by the Hawk Family. Construction began at the foot of our campus off Wernle Road on the building that will also house outpatient services and a welcoming center. It will help paint a more complete picture of our transformation, our professionalism, our future.

We marched forward in staffing and team-building, services and focus. We hired new directors of clinical services, quality assurance and finances. We added a new church relations officer and are working strategically to strengthen our commitment to the vital spiritual aspects of our work.

Honors continue with marquee national names, such as Mike Golic, who as National Honoree, attended the most successful Catalyst4Change ever last year that raised in excess of $500,000. This year, a Wernle friend, author Nicholas Sparks, will return to lead the event. Fittingly, he wrote a novel titled: "Safe Haven." It's caring and creative people who make Wernle a safe haven for troubled youths. Their names all stand out as testaments to our worthy cause.

Darrell Gordon

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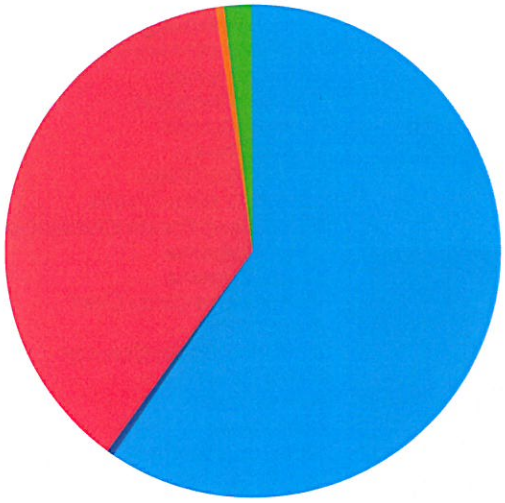
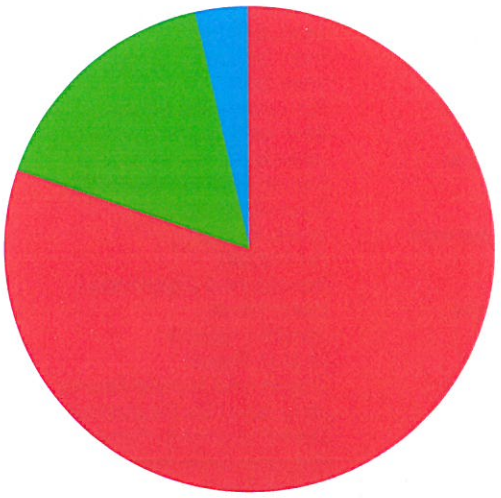
Public Support and Revenue



Service Fees (59.55%)	$7,738,060
Grants (Title I) (.46%)	$60,271
Contributions and Bequests (37.68%)	$4,897,672
Gifts in Kind (.55%)	$71,783
Auxiliary (School Lunch, Investment, Other) (1.76%)	$229,276
	$12,997,062

Contributions & Bequests include $2,746,410 of Temporarily Restricted and Permanently Restricted Net Assets

Functional Expenses



Program Services (84%)	$7,209,863
Management and General (13%)	$1,075,413
Fundraising (3%)	$284,540
	$8,569,816
Increase in Net Assets	$4,427,246
	$12,997,062

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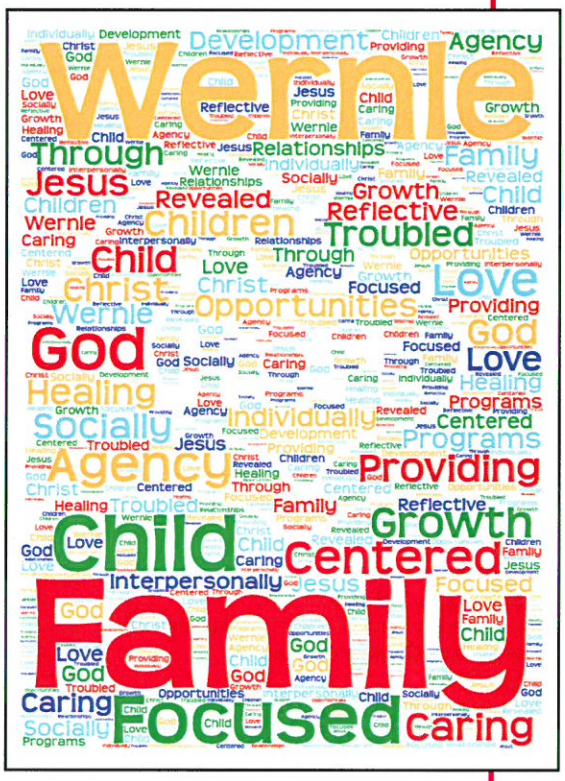
Wernle Mission & Core Purpose

Wernle is a family focused, child centered agency providing opportunities for the growth and develop-ment of troubled children and their families—individually, interpersonally, and socially-through caring programs and healing relationships which are reflective of God's love revealed in Jesus Christ.

"Rebuilding Relationships . . . Restoring Hope . . ."

Wernle Facts

Wernle has been a safe haven for children since it was founded in 1879. It was dedicated as Wernle Orphan's Home on May 4, 1879 after a bequest made in the name of Rev. Carl Wernle, Lutheran Pastor in Galion, Ohio. Children have always been the focus of Wernle's ministry. A commitment to providing the quality care that enables growth and success has defined who we are.



Wernle serves emotionally and behaviorally handicapped youth of all religious, social, economic, racial and ethnic backgrounds. Most have been victims of abuse, neglect, abandonment, sexual exploitation, and family substance abuse. Many suffer from a variety of psychological and psychiatric problems. For some of them, Wernle literally represents their last, best hope of acceptance and assistance. The treatment philosophy focuses on a child's ability to learn to live successfully outside the treatment environment. Since 1998 we have served 1,255 residents. In 2016, we served 110 youth in residence.

Wernle's continuum of care includes therapy, education, and independent living and job skills training.

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