

**STARRY nurtures children, strengthens families, and restores hope through counseling, foster care, and adoption.**





## A MESSAGE FROM **RICHARD SINGLETON**

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If you take a second and look around the room the next time you're in a crowded restaurant, you'll see that each of us lives a unique story. We all have different preferences and varied styles. We are wonderfully and incredibly diverse.

In addition to that, we are all shaped by our experiences - our struggles and circumstances are varied in significant ways. For many of those who have grown up in nurturing families, this has a positive impact on the trajectory of their lives. But for those who have grown up in abusive or neglectful homes, they don't always have the chance to recover or find healing from their difficult pasts. And for those of us who experience deep trauma, we're often unable to make sense of it all and feel trapped by the emotions it brings. At some point in our lives, we all need the help of a friend or a listening ear.

Your gifts to STARRY help provide the hope that our community needs! Your generosity provides loving homes for foster children who have been abused or neglected and who long for the peace of a stable home environment. Your gifts give hope to families who are walking through difficult seasons. And because of you, children who were once without parents to care for them have been adopted into forever families!

It's through your faithfulness that we are able to nurture children, strengthen families, and restore hope through the services we offer to the community. By offering counseling, foster care, and adoption, STARRY is able to extend hope to those who are in their darkest hours. And it's all because of you! I will forever be grateful for your partnership in this ministry of restoration and healing.

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# STARRY 2017 SERVICES REPORT

## COUNSELING

STARRY continues to be one of the leading providers of counseling services to children and families across the state of Texas. This year, STARRY Counseling had the most substantial growth in the history of the program! Our licensed counseling staff provided more than 30,000 hours of professional counseling to children and families at no cost to them. Over 70 percent of the families we served were completely out of options and had no other resources available to them. But STARRY was able to offer help in their darkest hours!

**17,588** CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVED

**70** COUNSELING LOCATIONS IN 4 REGIONS

## OPERATION STRONG FAMILIES

In its second year, STARRY's Operation Strong Families (OPSF) program served active duty, reserve, National Guard, retiree, and veteran military families in the Killeen community. Our Military Family Specialists met with families in-home or at the office for monthly or bi-monthly visits depending on the family's needs. These essential support services are provided to families at no cost and without a referral.

**62** MILITARY FAMILIES SERVED

**73** MILITARY CHILDREN & THEIR FAMILIES RECEIVED ASSESSMENTS, SCREENINGS, AND TRAUMA-INFORMED COUNSELING SERVICES

## FOSTER CARE & ADOPTION

STARRY's Foster Care and Adoption program continues to make a difference by providing safe, loving homes where children who have suffered from abuse or neglect are loved, nurtured, and given the chance to succeed. Did you know that the average foster family stays with an agency in Texas for about 7 months? However, STARRY foster families stay with us for an average of 3 years. We are grateful to have such strong program leadership and, this year, we saw the greatest results of the last 5 years!

**19,809** NIGHTS OF CARE PROVIDED TO 150 FOSTER CHILDREN

**17** CHILDREN ADOPTED INTO FAMILIES

## TBRI® TRAINING

All STARRY staff is trained in Trust-Based Relational Intervention® (TBRI®), which helps to meet the needs of the body, soul, and spirit of children by using the principles of connecting, empowering, and correcting. This year we piloted our TBRI® Coaching program that allows all foster parents to have in-home TBRI® instruction and support, as well as access to a TBRI® professional in real-time. In addition, STARRY continues to grow in influence by training key community leaders in trauma-informed approaches.

**979** INDIVIDUALS TRAINED



# OPERATING STATEMENT

Unaudited Year Ending December 31, 2017

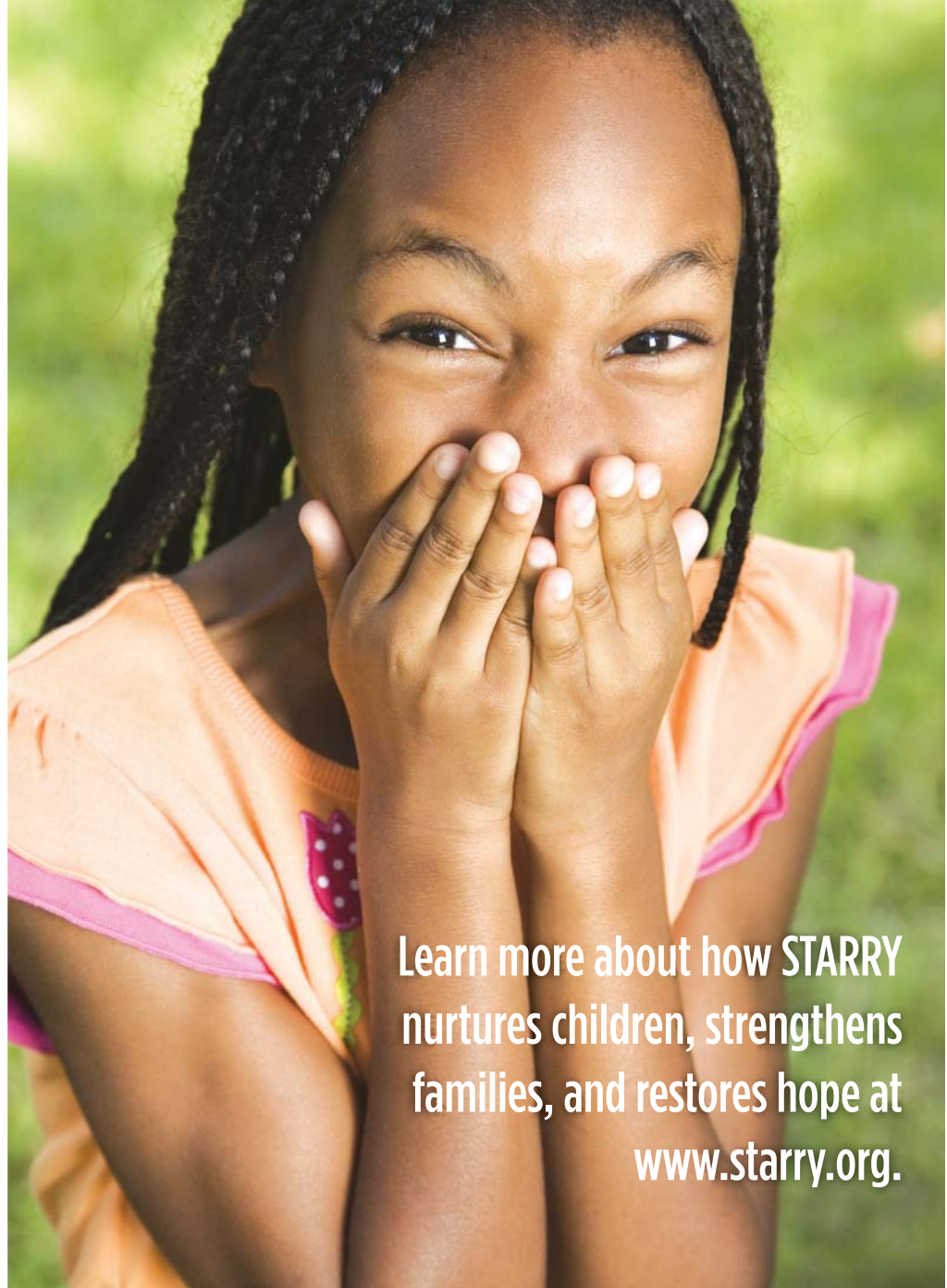
## REVENUES

Individual Gifts	\$105,736	1.8%
Church Gifts	19,103	0.3%
Texas Baptists Cooperative Program	138,389	2.3%
Reimbursement for Care	4,490,279	75.3%
Foundations & Corporate Gifts	295,831	5.0%
Children At Heart Foundation	70,704	1.2%
Other Revenues	845,251	14.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,965,293</b>	<b>100%</b>

## EXPENSES

Non-Residential Services	4,059,275	69.4%
Foster Care	1,094,439	18.7%
Management & General	662,057	11.3%
Fundraising	31,277	.6%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,847,048</b>	<b>100%</b>

STARRY benefits greatly by its affiliation with other ministries of Children At Heart. Texas Baptist Children's Home & Family Services provides all land and buildings at no cost. Children At Heart Ministries supplements administrative, accounting, human resources, information technology services, fundraising, and communications services at no cost. These affiliate arrangements allow STARRY to significantly control general administrative and fundraising costs, which maximizes donor gifts for direct care of children and families in need. In-kind contributions are included in Other Revenues above.



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