

# 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Lori's Hands   
Community Health Service Learning



# LETTER TO OUR SUPPORTERS

Like so many others, when I first learned about Lori's Hands, I was inspired. The concept of pairing energetic, caring college students with individuals with chronic illness in meaningful service learning was ingenious and had great potential to impact lives.



I started as the Director of Lori's Hands in March, knowing I was joining a mission-centered organization that genuinely cared about the welfare of clients and the future of students. Since that time, I have seen that beyond the numbers of clients served and students engaged, strong bonds are being formed. Students are developing a deeper understanding of the realities of living with chronic illness and clients are finding new purpose and joy in sharing their experiences.



From celebrating a 92nd birthday to supporting a caregiver after the loss of her husband, Lori's Hands students have spent the year experiencing life together with their clients. We are pleased to share with you a glimpse of the work that has been done in 2017 and invite you to continue to partner with us in 2018 to ensure more clients and students have the opportunity to participate in Lori's Hands well into the future.

*Maggie*



## ENROLLMENT

91

individuals with chronic illness

128

student volunteers

3156

hours volunteered

# VOICES

“ I had a visit from Marissa and Jenna on Tuesday this week, and I **have been ecstatic ever since**. They worked for over an hour, organizing my clothes, taking out my winter clothes and putting away my summer clothes. I thought I had died and gone to heaven. They said they're looking forward to our next visit, but I think **I am looking forward to their visit even more than they are.**” -Lillian





# HIGHLIGHTS

- Volunteers are supporting the largest number of clients in Lori's Hands' history
- Through the Sunny Day Fund, Lori's Hands approved \$689 in funding to support clients with tangible in home needs. Projects included repairing a home's electrical work and obtaining in home care to provide respite for a caregiver.
- We hired our first full time Program Director and also have a part time Graduate Assistant

# VOICES

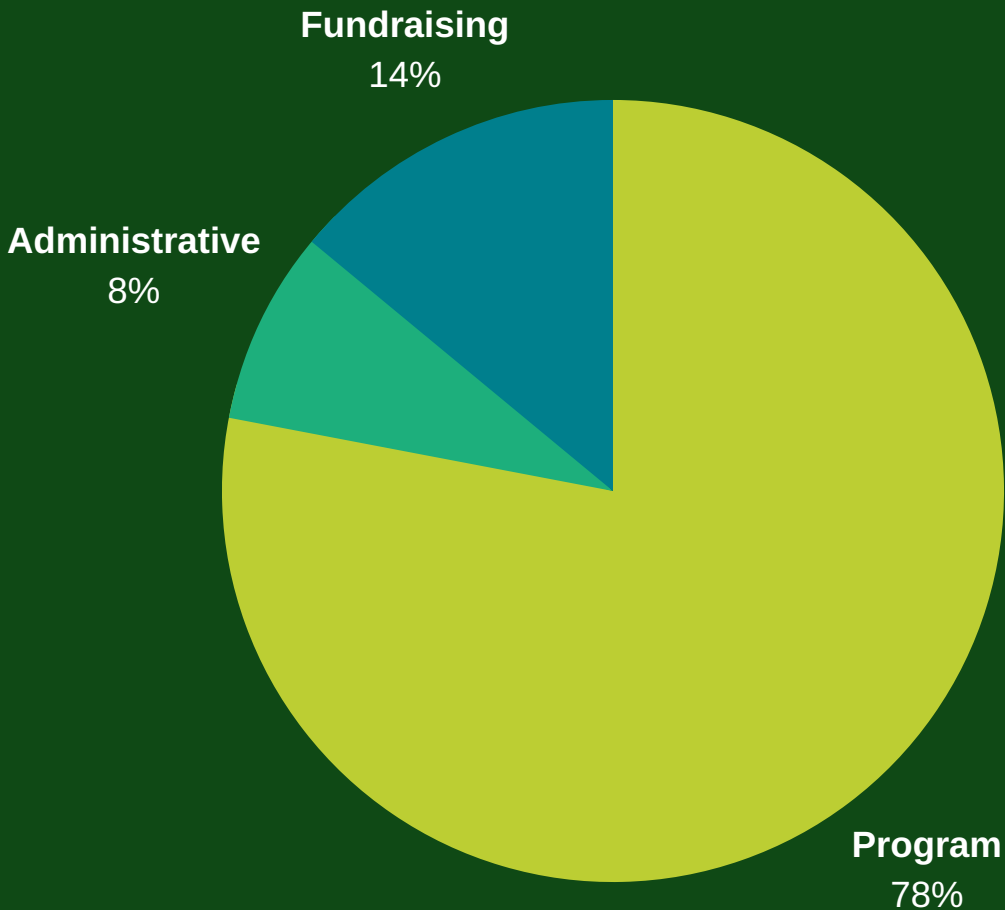
“Wednesdays with my client have become one of the most special experiences within college, and I am forever thankful that we crossed paths in a way I had never seen coming. It's taught me more than I ever expected, and it's given me so much to walk away with. Lastly, it's also given me this **really beautiful friendship** in the most unlikely of places.”

- Lexi



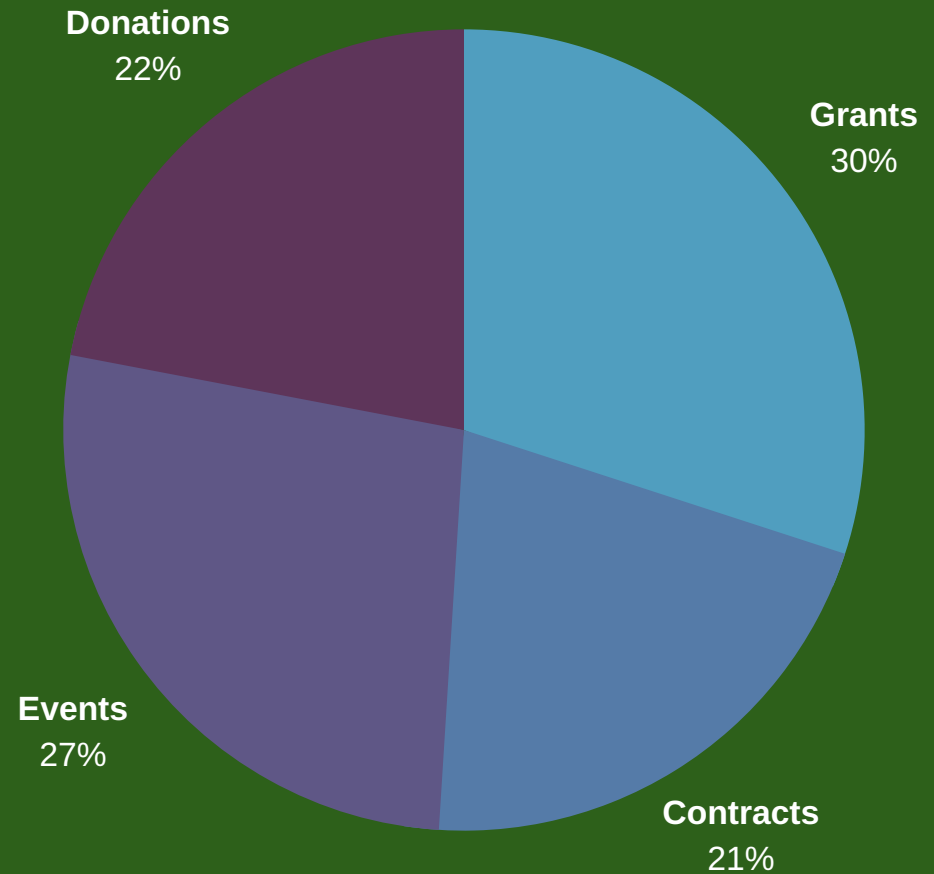
# FINANCIALS

Expenses: \$79,179.38



Revenue listed includes multi-year grants, which will be used for future programming.

Revenue: \$133,893.70



# VOICES

“ I visited my client for the first time on Tuesday and It was **absolutely amazing**, I love this program.”

-Natalie





# 2018 GOALS

We are looking forward to the potential of the year ahead!

- 100 clients by the end of 2018
- Enhance volunteer training to incorporate home safety checks
- Initiate pilot expansion project
- Raise \$100,000 to support expansion efforts



It is with your support that Lori's Hands has become established in the Newark community and we can envision big plans for the future.

**THANK YOU.**

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