

# EMPOWERING STUDENTS

For A Lifetime Of Success



2016 Annual Report

**EMPOWERING  
STUDENTS  
TO STAY IN  
SCHOOL AND  
ACHIEVE IN LIFE**

# Suki's Message

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For 32 years, Communities In Schools has been a trusted partner in Central Texas public schools:

- *Supporting students, families, administration, and teachers*
- *Helping students improve grades, attendance, and behavior*
- *Supporting healthy school climates*
- *Empowering every student, including those facing the greatest obstacles, to graduate, break the cycle of poverty, and go on to achieve in life*

Looking back at our 2012-2016 Strategic Plan, we have much to celebrate. We added a new school district and 11 new schools. We are case managing more students and we've improved our student success indicators. I have never been more proud of the highly skilled and trained social service professionals we have on 61 elementary, middle, and high school campuses, meeting students wherever they are in life -- whether they need counseling, tutoring, a mentor, help with a college application, or leadership opportunities. Communities In Schools also partners with dozens of community organizations to further ensure that students

have their needs met. On campus full-time, we support our schools as safe and affirming communities where all kids learn, grow and have opportunities to succeed.

Among the students who receive our most intensive supports, 99 percent remain in school, 96 percent are promoted to the next grade, and 85 percent improve in grades, attendance, and/or behavior. Our model works.

Inside this report, you will read about our successes in 2016. Thank you for making this critical work possible.



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# ON-CAMPUS STUDENT SUPPORT

The founding principle of CIS is to establish one-on-one relationships with individual students in order to support them beyond obstacles to success in school. CIS places a full-time social service professional on each school campus to deliver a wide range of services. Campus-based programming includes crisis intervention, individual counseling, support groups, life skills, tutoring, mentoring, basic needs, and enrichment activities. These services are all tailored to meet the individual needs of students so they can fully engage in learning and be academically successful.

## 2015-2016 Year in Review

### OUTCOMES



- 85%** improved grades, attendance or behavior
- 96%** were promoted to the next grade level or graduated
- 99%** 99% completed the school year enrolled in school

### IMPACT

**6,155**  
case managed  
students served



**6,083**  
parents served

**39,002**  
additional students and  
adults served

# WHO WE SERVE

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**In 2015-2016, CIS staffed offices on 61 campuses with students at greatest risk of dropping out of school. CIS served 51,240 individuals, including intensive case management services for 6,155 students.**

Children cannot learn at their potential when they are in crisis or face significant non-academic needs. Communities In Schools provides support by bringing resources and relationships to school campuses -- surrounding students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. Communities In Schools builds upon deep and trusting partnerships with schools to place highly skilled social service professionals, volunteers, interns, and AmeriCorps members on school campuses.

***Special Characteristics of Case Managed Students:***

- 87.6% Low or Very Low Income Households
- 29.8% English Language Learners
- 14.3% Special Education
- 5.4% Incarcerated Parent
- 4.2% Teen Parent
- 9.2% Previously Held Back A Grade

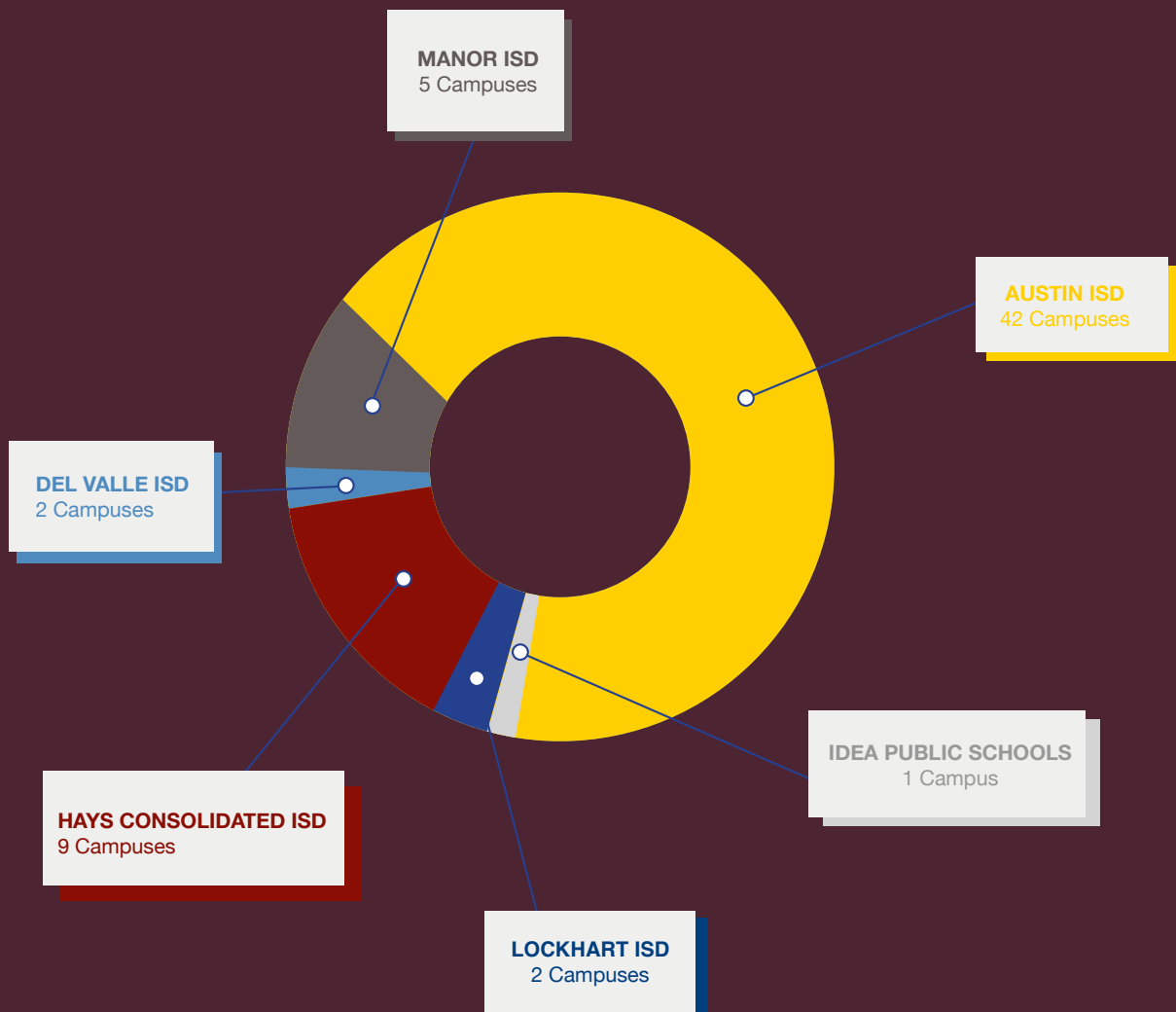
***Client Ethnicity:***

- 69.3% Hispanic
- 19.4% African American
- 8.9% Anglo
- 2.4% Other



# WHERE WE SERVE

## 6 School Districts



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# 2015-2016 Service Coverage

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## 61 Campuses



### 3 Counties Served



TRAVIS  
50 campuses



HAYS  
9 campuses



CALDWELL  
2 campuses

#### *ADDITIONAL PROGRAM COVERAGE:*

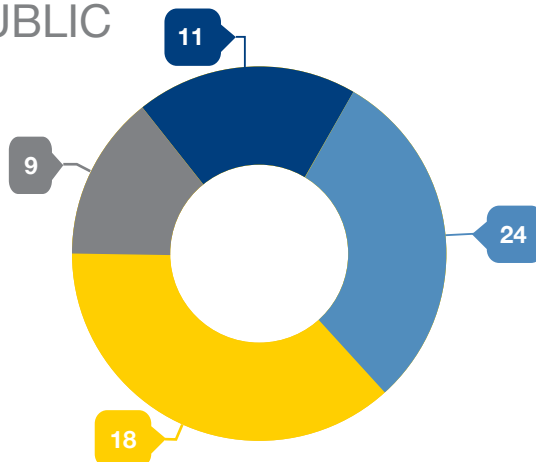
In addition to individual student supports on school campuses, Communities In Schools provided services on 4 public housing sites, and home-based support for the families of the children we serve.

**Total Clients Served:**  
**51,240**

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

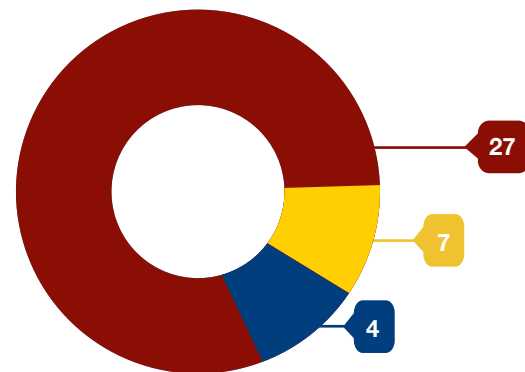
## REVENUE \$9,133,469

### PUBLIC



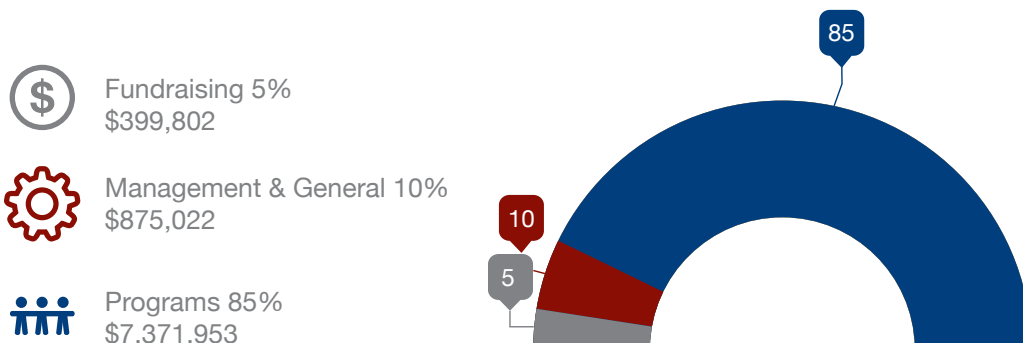
State	9%	\$790,150
Federal	11%	\$961,307
School District Match	18%	\$1,643,258
Local	24%	\$2,186,777

### PRIVATE



United Way	4%	\$396,691
Corporations/Individuals	7%	\$650,915
Foundations	27%	\$2,504,371

## EXPENSES \$8,646,777



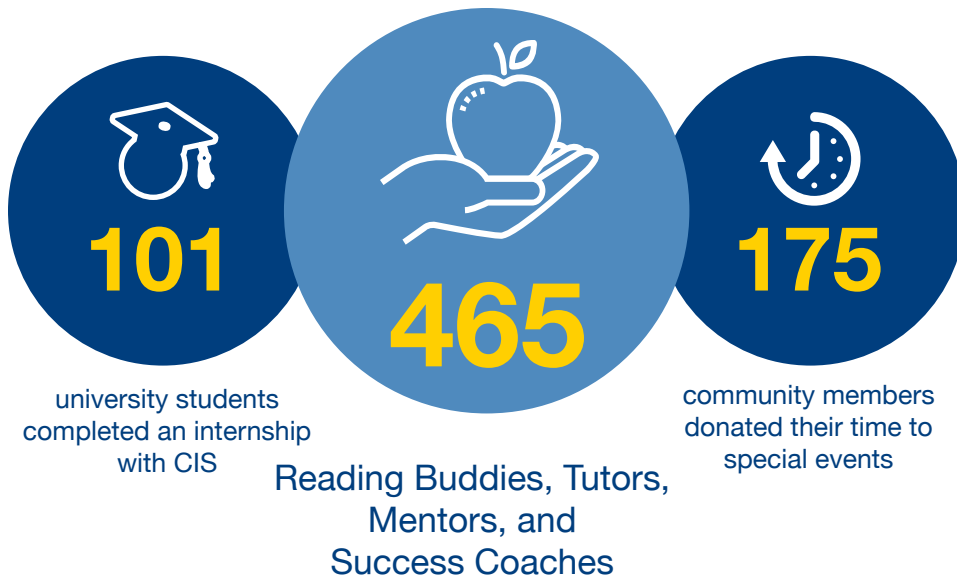
Note: \$486,692 carried over to help fund planned strategic initiatives



# A COMMUNITY OF SUPPORT

## VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNS

Communities In Schools engages community members in the mission of helping kids stay in school and prepare for life. Volunteers are matched with a wide variety of volunteer roles, including reading buddy, tutor, mentor, and success coaches.



## 2015-2016

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## AMERICORPS

AmeriCorps members are an integral part of the Communities In Schools of Central Texas service delivery model. They serve as tutors, mentors, and service learning project leaders on campuses with CIS programs.



# SPECIAL CIS PROGRAMS

## ASPIRE

The award-winning ASPIRE Family Literacy Program serves families who have children 0-7 years old with parents in need of ESL and/or GED classes.

### IMPACT

ASPIRE raises literacy levels of adults and children. School district data indicate that ASPIRE children academically outperform their peers even years after having left the program.

**117 families and  
181 students  
received services**

## Care Coordination

Care Coordination provides home-based intensive services to children and their families. This team-based planning and problem solving approach helps families and youth with behavior, mental, and emotional problems.

### IMPACT

Care Coordination “wraps” the child and family in services and supports, so the family can attain their goals and have improved quality of life

**93 families  
received Wrap-around Services  
with a total of 289  
youth served**

## Pebble Project

The Pebble Project provides effective abuse prevention training to thousands of children annually on 41 elementary school campuses. They connect children to counseling services and other appropriate agencies if they disclose abuse or harm.

### IMPACT

The Pebble Project prevents child abuse and neglect by empowering children to contribute to their own safety through recognizing abusive or dangerous situations, resisting bullies, and telling a trusted adult if they have been harmed.

**6,091 children  
participated in  
child-abuse  
prevention  
workshops**

## SmartKids

SmartKids Coordinators provide case management and other supports to hundreds of students in seven elementary schools, three middle schools, and two high schools. In addition to services at school, staff provide after school and summer programming at four public housing communities.

### IMPACT

SmartKids provides a continuity of programming from school to community, and the depth of service that allows students to work toward goals that are key to promoting self-sufficiency as adults.

364 students received services including basic needs, family and individualized supports

## XY-Zone

The award-winning XY-Zone is a leadership development and peer support program that develops productive life skills in at-risk high school-age males.

### IMPACT

XY-Zone participants demonstrate improvements in grades, attendance or behavior; they decrease risky behaviors, increase volunteerism, leadership, and future aspirations, and they are challenged and empowered to aim high, complete their education, and break the cycle of poverty.

427 students participated and 90% showed improvement in grades, attendance, and/or behavior



# THANK YOU

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★ First-time supporter   ★ 5 consecutive years of support   ★ 10 consecutive years of support

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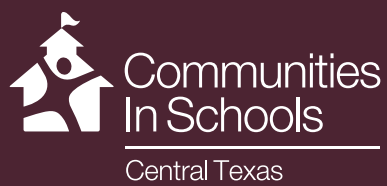
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