



## Letter from the Board President

Dear Friends,

As I reflect on 2017, I can't help but revel in the excitement of the Destination Playground. This community gem is the largest accessible playground in the State of Minnesota. It is sure to be a destination for many families, including those families with mobility challenges. I'm proud that many of the staff of PFF participated in building this incredible community treasure.

Over the past two years, PFF's Board of Directors has developed a new strategic plan for the organization. While the commitment to the people and families that we serve will not change, we will be launching an ambitious plan to raise awareness and funds to make a greater difference in the community.

As services for people with intellectual disabilities have shifted to a community-based model of care and empowerment, PFF has risen to the challenge of adapting and embracing this effort. However, limited government funding has not kept up with rising costs of care. In our role as a trusted provider and leader, PFF must embrace the challenge to make the dreams of every person we serve a reality. Moving forward, we'll be sharing the stories that exhibit the transformational power of caring communities. At PFF, we are dream makers!

With excitement,

Kevin Halliday  
President of the Board



PFF celebrates our staff and their families with John and Shelli Marthaler and Kevin Halliday.

2017  
annual  
report

## MISSION

Protecting,  
supporting and  
empowering  
people to pursue  
an authentic life  
of purpose and  
fulfillment.

### It's exciting to launch the new PFF logo!

Ever since PFF was founded in the 1960s, we had the same logomark with visible links to other meanings and associations. As our organization moves forward with new energy



and strategies for future growth opportunities, we have created a fresh logo to present ourselves to our community.

Our new look better matches who we've become over the past 50 years: an organization that empowers people to live authentic lives in their communities with the guidance needed.

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### PFF Board Members

Kevin Halliday, President  
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Tom Odens, Treasurer  
Nancy Birkeland, Secretary  
Sharon Jones, Director  
Alvina Henrickson, Director

## A Story of Impact

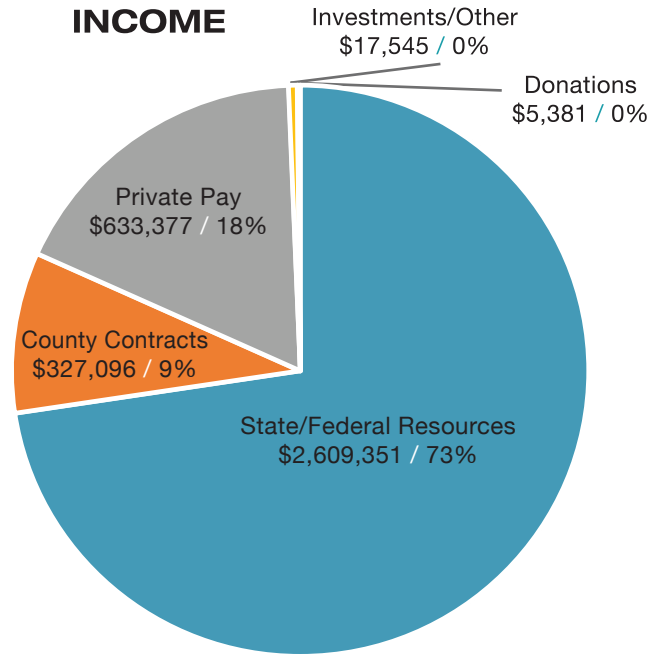
Much of the work that PFF does to make a difference for people with vulnerabilities is invisible to the community due to its confidential nature. Humbly and compassionately, PFF staff provide care, encouragement and support. The following story illustrates the power that support and community can make for someone. Truly, a night and day contrast.

When Claudia was first referred for services through PFF, she was living independently in poor housing conditions. At 65 years of age, Claudia had lived with her parents and her brother all of her life. After her family passed away, Claudia was on her own. While she owned her own home in a rural area, she had no heat, no electricity, and no indoor plumbing. Her inheritance was gone after she had fallen victim to a charismatic religious leader's plea for financial support. Claudia was left without financial resources, isolated and had virtually no social contact.

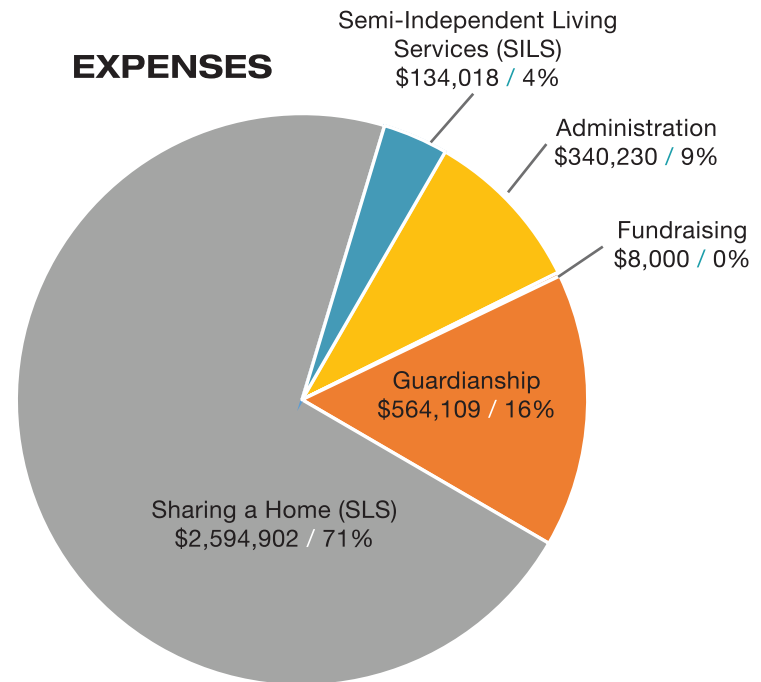
County social services intervened when a vulnerable adult report reached their desks, specifying that Claudia had sought treatment at a local emergency room for possible vermin bites. Through the courts, PFF was appointed to provide guardianship and conservatorship services to Claudia. Claudia moved into an assisted living facility where she received three meals each day. Claudia gained strength through proper nutrition. Additionally, her health improved when her medications were monitored with accurate timing and dosing.

Now, Claudia is thriving! She is in charge of the community garden at her assisted living facility. She attends group activities including cookouts, bingo, crafts and celebrations. With the support of PFF staff, Claudia's quality of life has increased dramatically.

## INCOME



## EXPENSES



## VISION

An inclusive community where people of all abilities contribute, thrive and pursue their dreams.



## BALANCE SHEET

Current Assets	\$1,167,575
Net Long-Term Assets	\$ 689,918
Other Assets	\$ 253
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$1,857,746</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 147,193</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$1,710,553</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$1,857,746</b>





## Letter from the Administrator

I recently had knee surgery and I have experienced the difficulties that mobility challenges can create in just about every single area of my life. It's been an eye opening and humbling experience. For me, these challenges are temporary. As the leader of PFF, I am inspired and driven by our calling to support and empower people with vulnerabilities. I watch as our dedicated staff patiently and consistently support the dreams of the people we serve. Sometimes progress is rapid and sometimes it is slow and steady. Over time, the people we serve make incredible progress and achieve their dreams. I am proud and honored to work at an organization that believes in possibilities and helps to make dreams a reality.

*Catherine C. Johnson*  
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## PFF Program Impact & Highlights

**\$2.5M**

UNDER CONSERVATORSHIP,  
INCLUDING LAND AND  
PROPERTIES

**\$1M+**

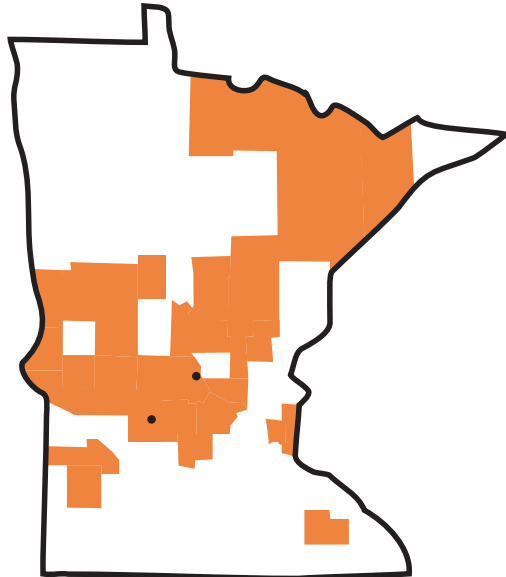
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CONSERVATORSHIP

**300%**

GROWTH IN THE  
GUARDIANSHIP PROGRAM  
SINCE 2000

**155**

PEOPLE SERVED



PFF has recently expanded its G/C service area to include 31 Minnesota counties. We have Administration offices in Willmar and St. Cloud.

**12**

SHARED HOMES

**49**

PEOPLE SERVED

**2**

HOMES NEWLY  
REMODELED

**1**

STUDIO APARTMENT  
ADDED TO ENHANCE  
INDEPENDENT LIVING  
SKILLS

**100%**

OF PEOPLE SERVED ARE  
MAKING PROGRESS  
TOWARD THEIR GOALS



WE HAVE FUN WITH  
SILS AND SLS!

Some of the highlights of the year: Stingers games, Chanhassen Dinner Theatre, Twins game and a visit to the Mall of America

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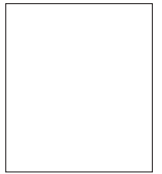
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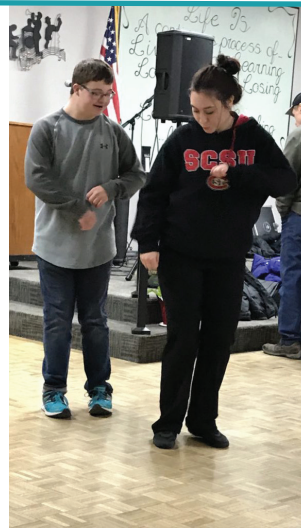


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“A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles.”

CHRISTOPHER REEVE



“The most important thing people did for me was to expose me to new things.”

TEMPLE GRANDIN

