



2024

ANNUAL REPORT

Mission: DSC supports people in living a rich and meaningful life.

Vision: Striving to assure that every person lives a full life in the community.



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

As we reflect on another year at DSC, I am grateful for the progress we've made in supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in leading rich and meaningful lives. This year has been one of growth and positive change, and none of it would have been possible without the unwavering dedication of our staff, our loyal supporters, and the communities we serve.

One of the highlights this year was the creation of two new positions, a Resource Coordinator and Direct Support Professional (DSP) Support Specialist, thanks to a generous grant from the Champaign County Developmental Disabilities Board. These roles will help us enhance our respite, self-advocacy, and behavioral support services we provide and allow for even more personalized, support for the individuals we serve.

I would also like to take a moment to express my heartfelt thanks to our Direct Support Professionals (DSPs). These incredible individuals are at the core of everything we do. Their commitment, compassion, and dedication to those we support are immeasurable. They build relationships, offer support, and empower individuals to reach their fullest potential. We are truly fortunate to have such a talented and passionate team of professionals.

Finally, I want to extend my sincere gratitude to our loyal supporters—donors, volunteers, community partners, and advocates. Your generosity enables us to provide the resources and services to those we support

As we look to the future, we remain fully committed to our mission of helping individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities lead lives full of opportunity, respect, and meaningful connections. With your continued support, we will continue to innovate, adapt, and grow to meet the evolving needs in our community. Thank you for being a part of this journey with us.

With Appreciation,



Danielle Matthews



OUR PROGRAMS

FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

Family Development provides families with a holistic team approach connecting them to services to best support their infants and toddlers. Early Intervention offers service coordination and in-home developmental, occupational, speech, and physical therapy. Home visiting services are available through the Parent Wonders program including inclusive, therapeutic playgroups for children, parents, and caregivers. Free developmental screenings are available for any child birth through age five residing in Champaign County.



832 children received services
272 developmental screenings
72 families participated in Parent Wonders

CASE MANAGEMENT/SERVICE FACILITATION

Adults may request support to maintain or enhance their independence in the community, at work, and home. A Case Coordinator will assist in planning agency support and access to community services, offering intensive and ongoing guidance through all phases of a person's adult life and responding to their needs by providing seamless service delivery. Guided by the person's individualized plan, Case Coordinators help put support in place in life areas such as independent living, community resources and access, medical, health/wellness, financial, behavioral, counseling, housing, and long-term care.



338 people received case management support
62 people received individual and group counseling



INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY SUPPORT (IFS)

IFS includes advocacy training and opportunities for individuals as well as respite for families. The advocacy program solicits input from adults interested in expanding their knowledge, skills, and interests in areas such as human rights, sexuality, and advocacy. Advocates explore their interests and increase their roles with enhanced engagement, empowerment, and community involvement. The respite program provides families with a personal support worker to provide a temporary break for the caregivers. Respite may also provide funding for adaptive equipment, specialized camps, transportation, or home/technology equipment to ease mobility and community connectivity.



30 families received respite services
22 people participated in self-advocacy opportunities

COMMUNITY DAY SERVICES (CDS)

CDS offers a variety of enriching activities for people to develop and strengthen connections with their peers and others throughout the community. Opportunities may include: recreational, social, educational, volunteer, advocacy, technology, and other areas of interest to enhance personal fulfillment. This program emphasizes broadening personal experiences and empowering people to have a meaningful day.



187 people supported
67 people worked or volunteered
More than 40 weekly unique groups offered



RESIDENTIAL

DSC offers independent, semi-supported, and 24-hour supported living options for adults with IDD. The Community Living program optimizes independent living in a persons' own home while promoting choice, community access, social, health, safety, and financial well-being. C-U Independence is a 24-unit building offering semi-supported apartment living. And, multiple residential locations offer 24-hour supported Community Integrated Living Arrangements (CILAs), commonly known as group homes throughout Champaign County. All residential may support medication management, administration, medical advocacy, behavioral support, transportation, and other interests/needs presented by each person.



133 people supported
754 medical appointments
DSPs worked 10,144 shifts

EMPLOYMENT

The Employment program offers services to support individual community employment and supported community employment opportunities. The focus of this program includes securing and maintaining a job in which the person receives the support needed for success. Services are provided to meet the needs of the employee and the employer, with flexible and available support as long as needed to enjoy success and independence.



60 people supported in 52 different businesses
16 people started new jobs
12 employers hired someone for the first time





TREE OF HOPE CAMPAIGN

The Gaffney Family

**2024 Tree of Hope
Spokesfamily**



2024 RECOGNITION AWARD WINNERS

Personal Achievement Award: Joe Trueblood



Wendy Webber Award for Staff Excellence: Essa Sarr



Employer of the Year: Advanced Medical Transport East, Inc.



Special Recognition Award: Salt & Light



EVENTS



The 2024 Tree of Hope Campaign marked our 31st year, and we are very grateful to the Gaffney family for sharing their personal journey in receiving an autism diagnosis for their 4-year-old daughter, Addelyn. Their story highlighted the hope and excitement they feel for Addelyn's future, thanks to the support they receive from DSC. We're also thrilled to announce that this year we reached a new milestone, raising over \$267,000!





In August the Eastern Illinois Parrot Head Club held their 4th annual Back to the Prairie event at Riggs Beer Company, benefitting DSC. Almost 500 people joined us for a laid back evening featuring live music, food trucks, beverages, and raffles. The club raised over \$15,000 for DSC bringing their lifetime to over \$519,000! We are so grateful to the Parrot Heads for believing in the work we do!



We gathered over 40 employees and friends and volunteered at the starting corral during the 2024 Christie Clinic Illinois Race Weekend. DSC has been a beneficiary of the race weekend since its inception in 2009. This year we received a generous gift of \$4,025. To date we have received over \$212,000! We are so grateful for our partnership with this wonderful community race and truly appreciate the support they give us in return.

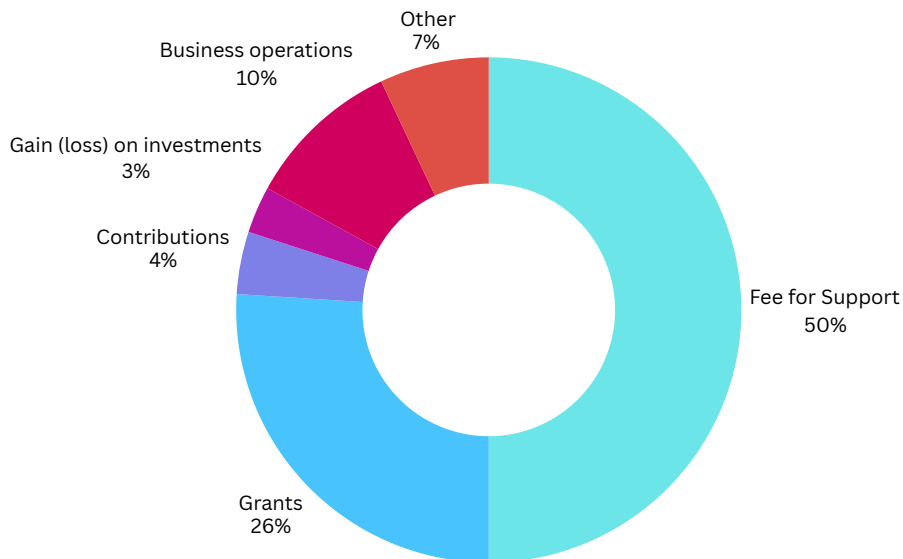


STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024

SUPPORT

Fee for Service	8,176,969
Grants	4,270,024
Contributions	618,906
Gain (loss) on investments	467,701
Business Operations	1,577,784
Other	1,074,422
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Total Support	16,185,806

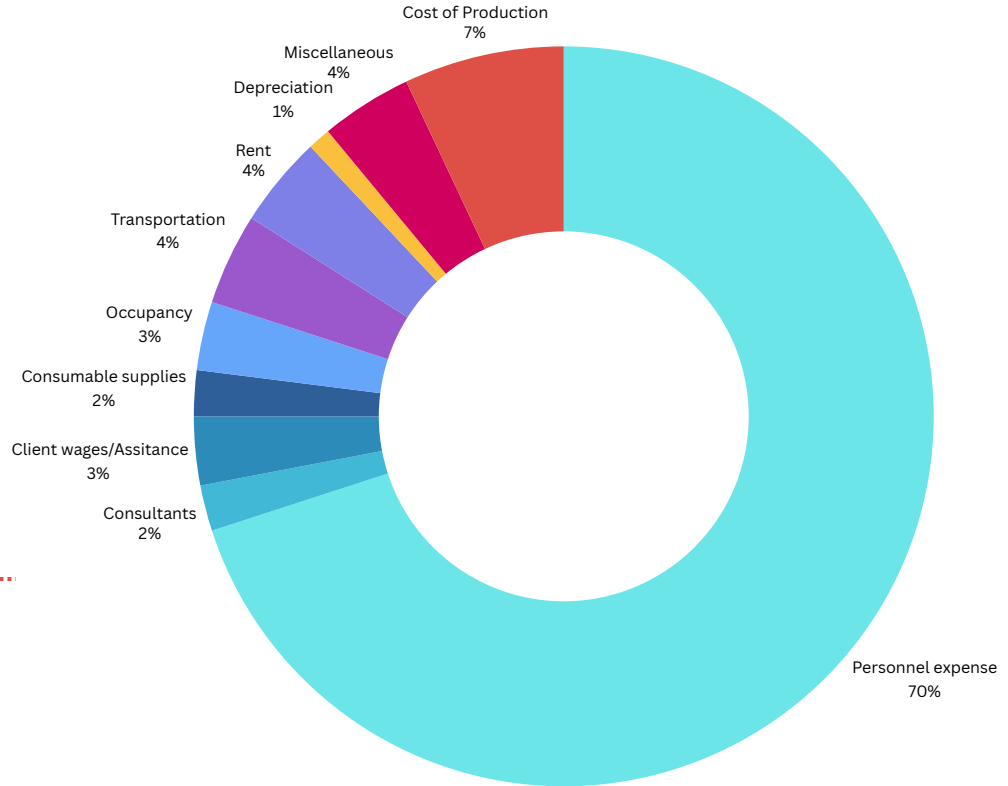


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EXPENSES

Personnel expense	10,764,283
Consultants	232,157
Client wages/Assistance	421,968
Consumable supplies	299,603
Occupancy	487,408
Transportation	644,747
Rent	636,803
Depreciation	172,218
Miscellaneous	666,502
Cost of production	1,051,597
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Total Expenses	15,377,286



STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

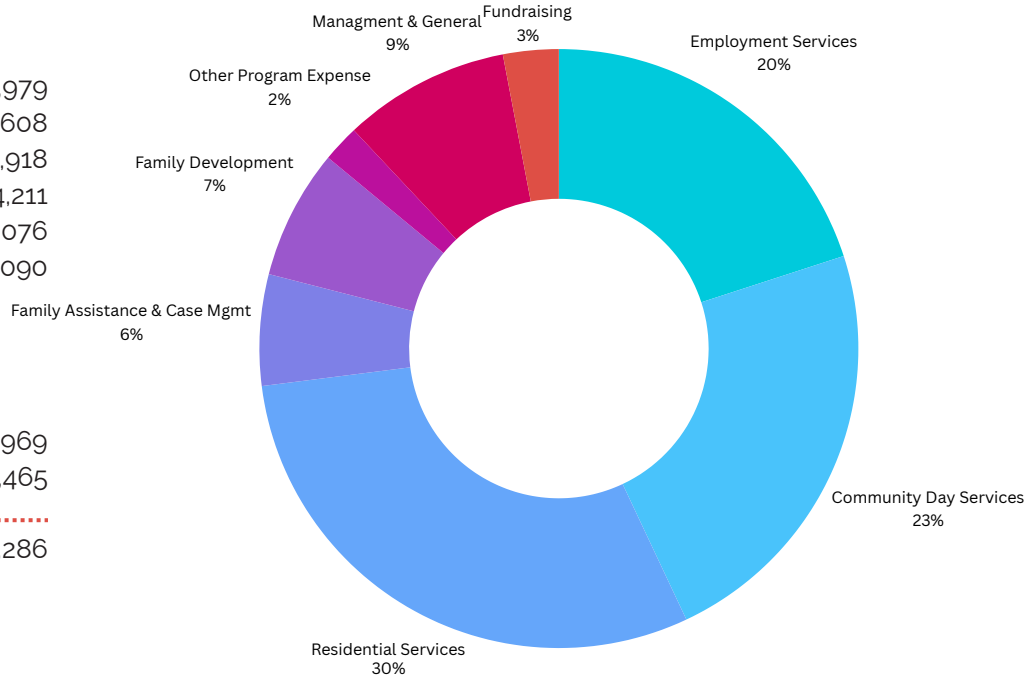
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PROGRAM SERVICES

Residential Services	4,608,979
Community Day Services	3,493,608
Employment Service	3,050,918
Family Development	1,144,211
Family Assistance & Case Mgmt	1,002,076
Other Program Expenses	317,090

SUPPORT SERVICES

Management & General	1,345,969
Fundraising	414,465
Total	15,377,286





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