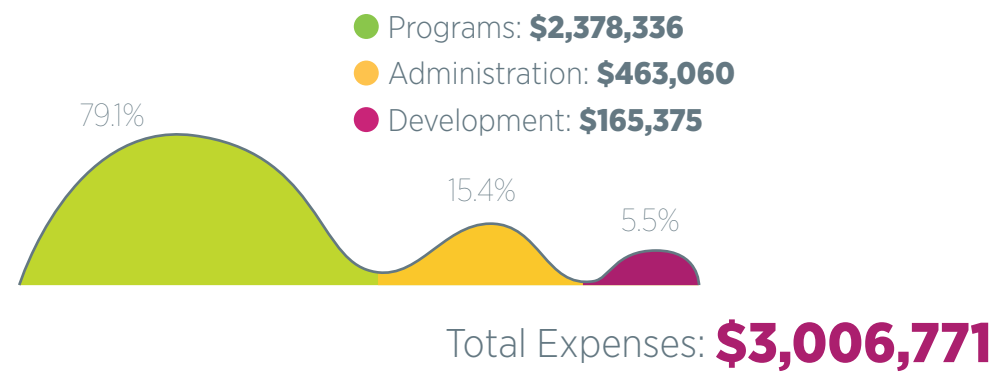
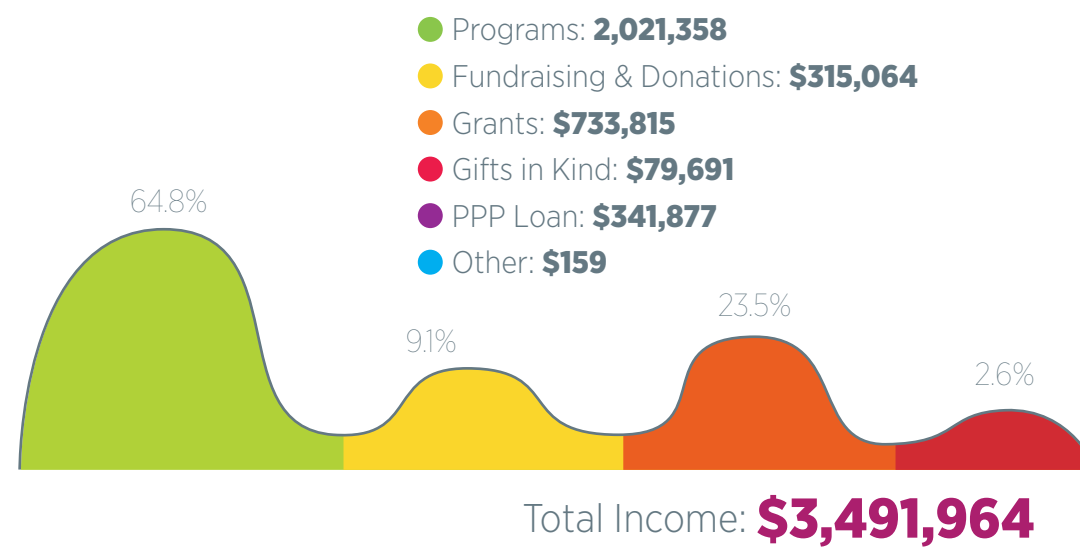




ST GERARD
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2021 FINANCIALS



SGH received **136** new
family phone calls / program
inquiries in 2021

In the last 5 years, St. Gerard has more than doubled in size - from a **\$1.4 million** annual budget to last year's annual budget of over **\$3 million**. We are serving more autistic children, adults, and their families, hiring and training more staff to take the mission onto their shoulders, doing more good in WNC. We are thankful to all of our donors for enabling this growth, but we have much more to do. Our current waitlist stands at over 200 families. We need your continued help so that we can continue to grow - both in quantity and in quality - and deliver life-changing therapies and support to everyone who needs it in WNC.



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SAVE THE DATE for 2023

February 21
Mardi Gras Party
Asheville, NC

April 26
**13th Annual First Words
of Hope Luncheon**
Blue Ridge Community College
Flat Rock, NC

*"St. Gerard House provides a
positive environment for my
daughter. She is growing and
learning every day."*
- St. Gerard House parent



ST GERARD
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2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Our Mission is to help individuals with autism
and their families experience more joy and
achieve meaningful life outcomes.

*"Faith is not for overcoming
obstacles; it is for experiencing
them—all the way through!"*
- Richard Rohr

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LETTER FROM THE CEO/Founder



If 2020 was the year of survival, 2021 was the year of recovery. After enduring all the changes and uncertainties of the pandemic, 2021 was about recognizing our many blessings, being patient with one another, being there for families and staff during their most vulnerable times and accepting that everyone was tired. Despite this, our programs were thriving. Kids and young adults with autism were doing quite well and making marked gains. Struggles with hiring and staff retention became a new issue. The operating landscape of any business or nonprofit had drastically changed. Our team did what we do best and helped each other out while remaining focused on the kids, families and our mission.

Our waitlist grew significantly during 2021 as more kids with special needs weren't finding success in other learning settings. The SGH board and leadership team created a new strategic plan to map out new goals and growth for the next few years so we can serve more WNC families experiencing autism. This dynamic plan has been informing our steps to strengthen administration to scale programing for greater impact. We couldn't have done this without the unwavering support from our funding partners, sponsors and individuals like yourselves who continue to believe in the mission of St. Gerard House and the special souls we serve.

While we have immense data on the outcomes and efficacy of our programs, you may not see all the unmeasured kindness, grace, patience and love practiced on an hourly basis around here. Our staff exemplifies faith in action and it frequently leaves me speechless. Thank you for allowing this important work to continue. You are helping families find peace that they had long ago forgotten.

With Gratitude and Joy,

Caroline C Song
Caroline Long

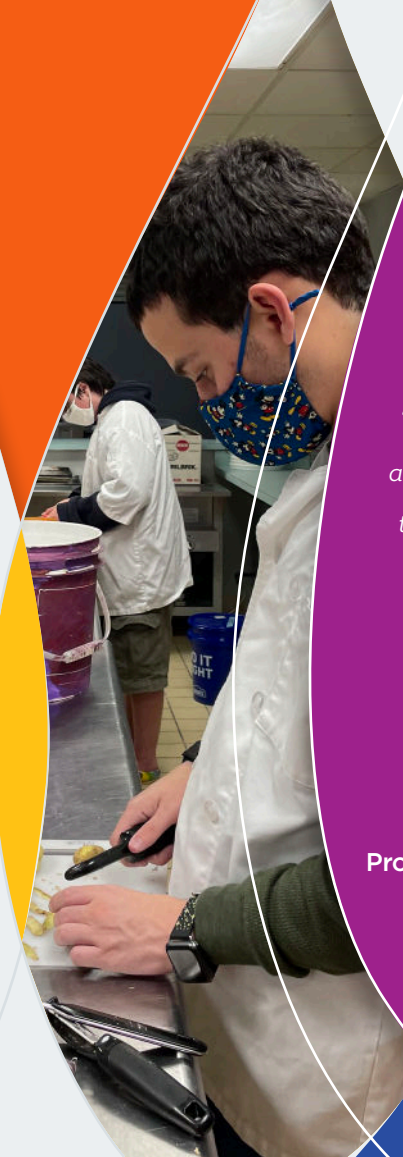
*"The team genuinely cares for my son and appreciates him for who he is."
- St. Gerard House parent*



Even in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, where our facilities were fully shut down, we were able to provide nearly 20,000 hours of therapy.

13 new Behavior Technicians obtained their certification as Registered Behavior Technicians through our training.

*"What we appreciate most about our child's team is their communication, honesty, & commitment."
- St. Gerard House parent*



*"The staff at St. Gerard House is there for us through thick and thin, through the challenges and to celebrate our wins, accomplishments and successes."
- St. Gerard House parent*

Provided staff with over
5,280
hours of role-specific job training in 2021

*"I am constantly in awe of the way the staff and volunteers at St. Gerard House show the participants in my son's program kindness, dignity and respect."
- St. Gerard House parent*

Provided over **500** hours of BCBA - parent training in a one on one, in-person, or virtual environment



*"I appreciate that St. Gerard House does not use a "one size fits all" approach. The team looks at our daughter as an individual to see where she needs help and tailors her therapy plan to meet those needs."
- St. Gerard House parent*

50% of early intervention children graduated and entered into mainstream learning environments.

2021 GRANTS & FUNDING PARTNERS

Alongside **8** new community partners, SGH held 13 Family Group Night sessions in 2021, where 474 meals & 189 activity kits were distributed to over 59 families seeking support and resources for raising children with special needs.

City of Hendersonville
Community Foundation of Henderson County
Partner Grant: Horizon Heating & Cooling, Hannah Flanagan's, & Southern Alarm
Community Foundation of Henderson County
Community Foundation of Henderson County - Melvin R Lane
Community Foundation of Western North Carolina
Department of Health & Human Services
Dogwood Health Trust
Henderson County
Richard & Marie Reynolds Foundation
Community Foundation of North Louisiana, Denman and Mary Long Advised Fund
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Bill & Pam Faulk, Donor Advised Fund
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