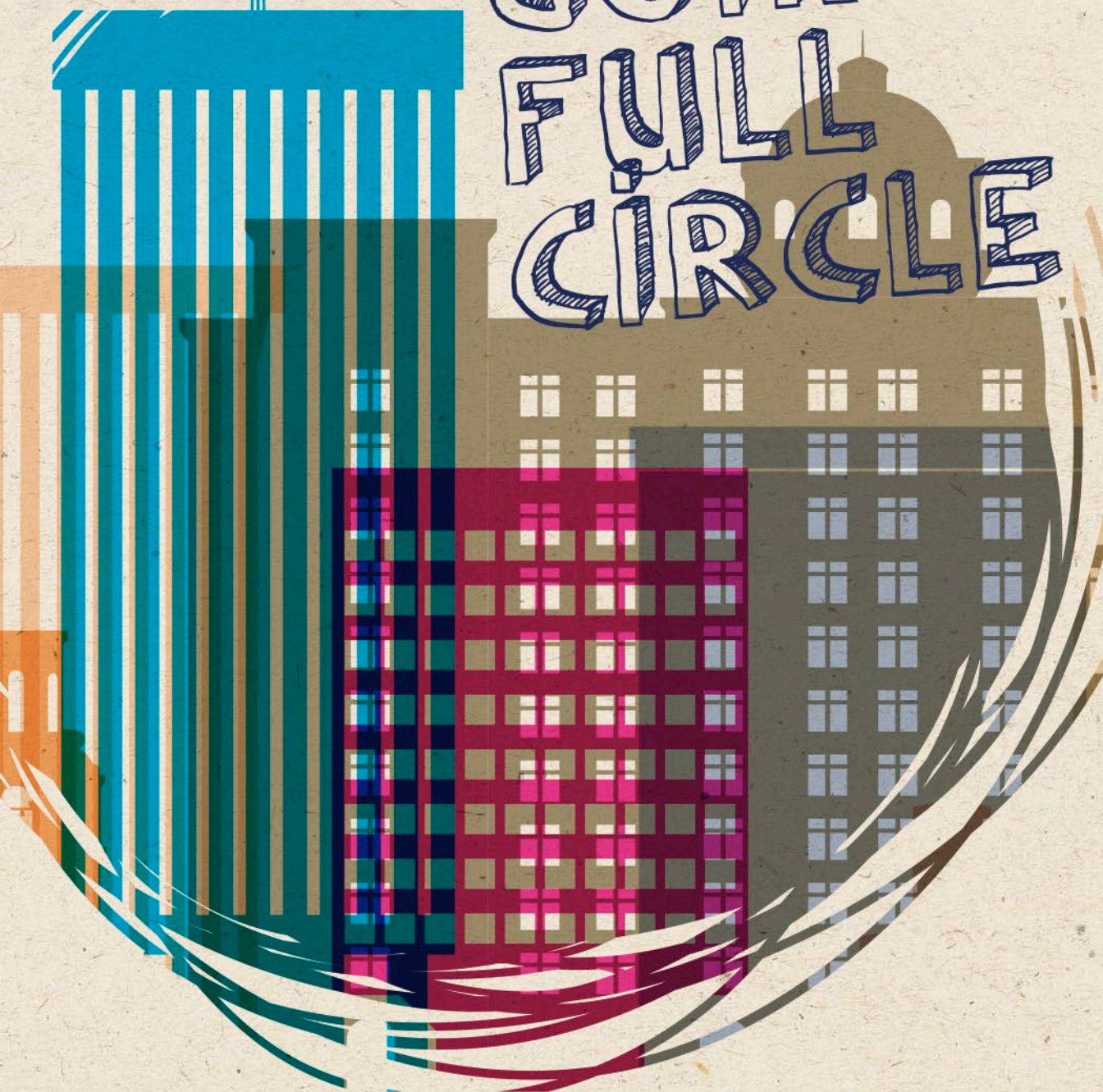


GOING FULL CIRCLE



Tu Nidito
Community Impact
Report 2017



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TU NIDITO CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES CREATES A COMMUNITY OF ACCEPTANCE AND UNDERSTANDING REGARDING CHILDREN IN GRIEF. IT IS OUR VISION THAT NO CHILD GRIEVES ALONE.

A Message from Tu Nidito's Board of Directors ...

Tu Nidito offers important, unduplicated services – it helps children and families to heal during unimaginable circumstances of serious illness and death. Many people walk around with an invisible mask of grief and no one knows about it. At Tu Nidito, we allow these masks to be revealed and provide the tools and resources children and their families need to work through their grief. Many of these families become so empowered that after closing from group, they come back to volunteer and be there for another child. One of these special people is our own Adriana Rincon, a former Tu Nidito family, turned volunteer, now serving as President of Tu Nidito's Board of Directors. Adriana's family's story is a testimony to Tu Nidito's mission going full-circle, as we move toward the vision that no child grieves alone. *Adriana shares...*

On January 12, 2008, our lives were tragically altered. Our 14-year-old son was killed by a drunk driver. His sisters Gaby, 15, and Julissa, 7, were left with the trauma of the death of a sibling and the challenge of trying to make sense of it. We reached out and sought help anywhere we could, and thankfully found Tu Nidito.

Tu Nidito provided a haven for our daughters and family where we felt safe and supported. Meeting other kids their age and interacting with them through the activities offered by Tu Nidito provided a sense of 'normalcy.' Our children were happier and more hopeful after every evening spent at Tu Nidito. As parents, we found light during a very dark time and helped ourselves by trying to help our daughters.

We spent three years receiving support from Tu Nidito, attending the bereavement support group every two weeks. After we closed from group, Jose, my husband, and Gaby, volunteered as facilitators, Jose working with the adult group and Gaby spending her time with the littles, ages 3 1/2 - 7. As a family, we enjoyed chairing the Remarkable Celebration for three years, where Tu Nidito honors five Remarkable Moms in the community, an honor I humbly accepted in 2011. After five years on the board, I happily accepted the role as the President of the Board of Directors. I feel honored and privileged to lead this outstanding organization forward and help others come full circle, because I know first-hand how important it is to have grief support.



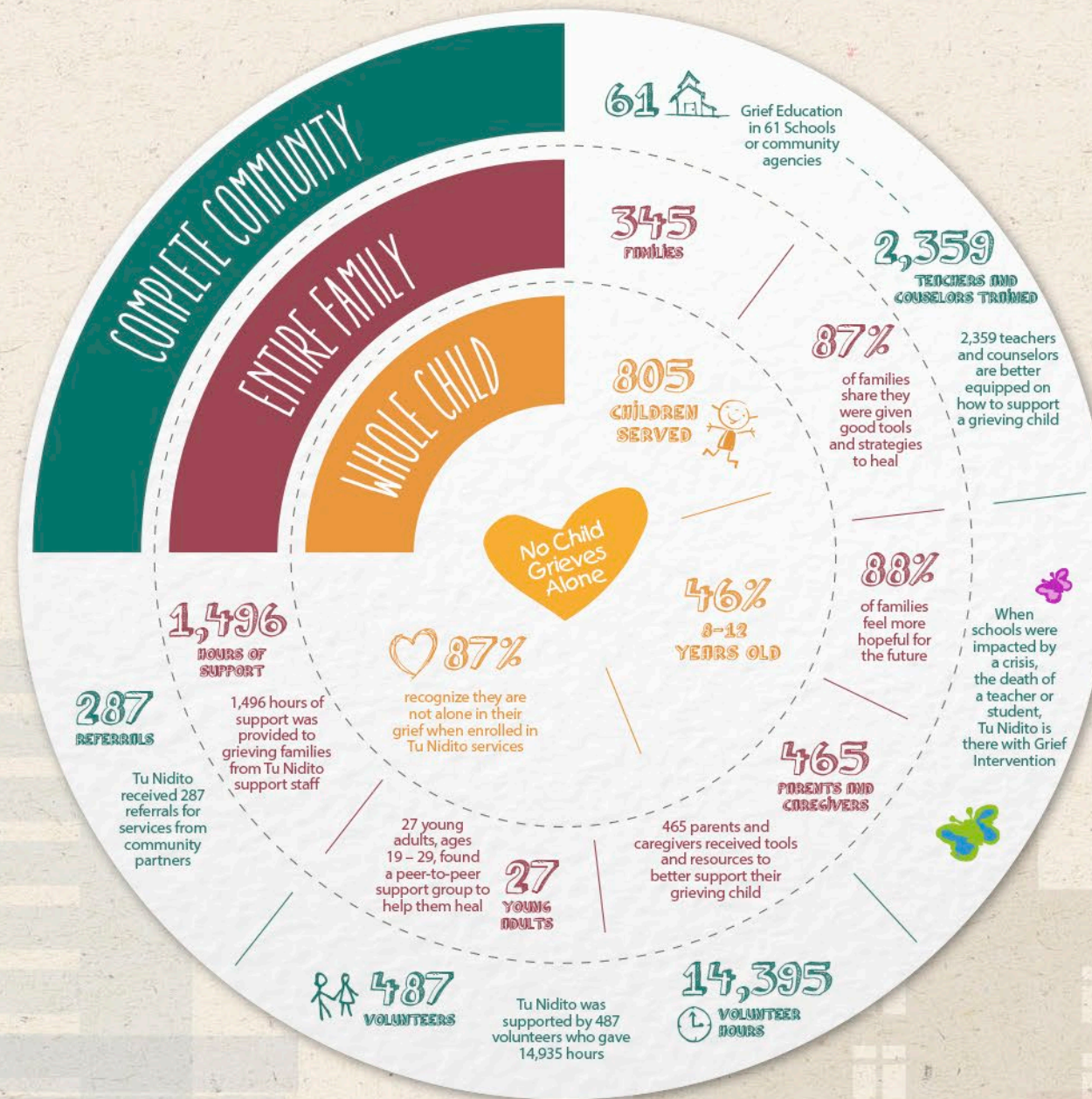
Adriana Rincon
President Tu Nidito Board of Directors
Former Tu Nidito Family

"Having been involved with Tu Nidito for over 10 years, I have reconfirmed the fact that we are unwavering in our commitment to children and their families, not willing to compromise in any way."
Charlie Bowles - Board member

"When someone we love dies our foundation can feel shattered. To accompany a child as they find their footing and realize their resilience all while having fun with other children is truly a privilege and a gift. It is my pleasure to serve our families. I believe we are changing the course of children's lives at Tu Nidito."
Amber Jacoby - Board member

"I'm so proud to be part of such an important, impactful agency that does so much for families dealing with serious illness and death. It is my hope that we have a long lasting effect on all the families we serve as well as the volunteers that support the mission."
Nancy Kinerk - Board member

"After directly benefiting from the warmth and support of the organization, I leapt at the chance to join Tu Nidito's Board many years later. Tu Nidito is a unique and powerful organization, and I'm proud to be one of their volunteers."
Brad McKinney - Board Member



Addressing serious illness and death in an age appropriate way is essential to healthy healing. When left unaddressed, unresolved childhood grief can lead to serious long term complications including both mental and physical issues. It is important for children to have the support of others going through similar situations so they learn that they are not alone. Tu Nidito's programs focus on this by normalizing a child's life while grieving, increasing healthy family communication and reducing social isolation.

FINANCIALS

Thank you to our community partners for your unwavering support to grieving children and their families. This important work takes a partnership – and because of you, Tu Nidito services are offered at no cost to families that need us.

2017 REVENUE: \$1,386,094

WHAT MAKES HEALING HEARTS POSSIBLE



Net Assets as of December 31, 2017 - \$2,986,493
Event totals and revenue are net of direct costs

2017 EXPENSES: \$898,494

WHAT FUNDS SUPPORT



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

2017 Remarkable Celebration was the most successful fundraising event Tu Nidito has hosted. The event brought in over \$325,000 from sponsors, community partners and 800 guests.

The Tu Nidito Endowment was founded by 43 Tu Nidito partners. This key asset will be a long lasting legacy for our community's grieving children.

THANK YOU!

Because of your continued generosity, we are able to provide grief support services to our community. Because of you, we can continue to expand our reach to families and drive change and conversation around issues of childhood grief and its lasting impact. Make sure to stay connected with us by following the Tu Nidito Blog, liking the Tu Nidito Facebook page and subscribing to our monthly newsletter.



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