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Message From The Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Dear Friends of Abbott House,

It was a very good year!

This report on our fiscal (budget) year from July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 covers an exciting time in the history of Abbott House.

We added new programs and services - a residential program in Irvington for children awaiting family reunification with family members, and community-based preventative services in Poughkeepsie and Newburgh. And on the drawing board are increased community-based clinical counseling services. We are pleased that we can serve more people and serve them better.

Our other bottom line, the fiscal one, was much improved this year, as well. We are grateful to all our supporters for this - federal, state, county, and city governments, as well as our many, many friends and benefactors. Thank you!

As you read the statistics and descriptions in this report, please remember that what we are really about is helping people.

Recently, we heard from Devon Chisholm, a former foster care youth who said, "I am a success story thanks to the support, nurturance, and guidance I received from Abbott House. Abbott House gave me the foundation and the tools that have enabled me to become the man I am today. I am now thirty years old and have a bright and promising future." To read Devon's full story and those of others, check our website.

While we are happy that this has been a good year, we still face some formidable challenges that we will remain focused on as we go forward, caring for the families and individuals in our care. While we remain fiscally diligent, we know that it is all of us together, including our friends and benefactors who make it happen. Thank you for your contributions and please continue remembering Abbott House in your generosity.

All of us can be proud that we continue to fulfill our mission "...to improve the lives of vulnerable children, adults, and families in need and people with developmental disabilities."

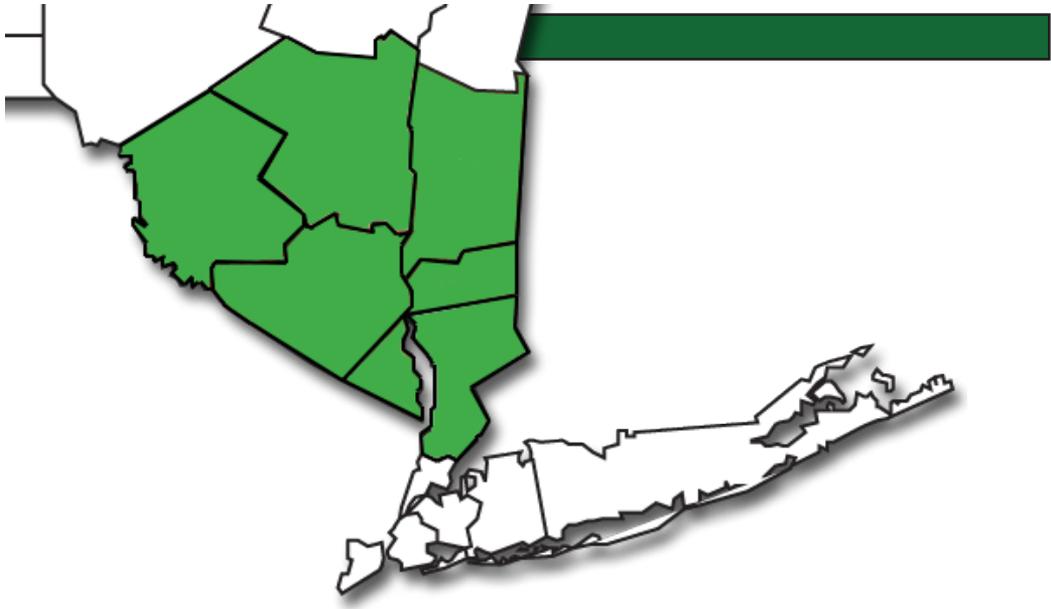
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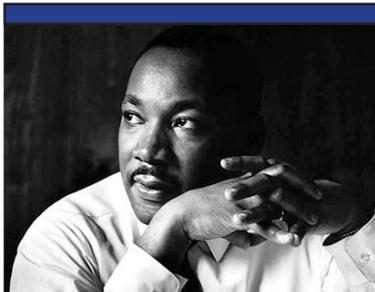
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With services throughout the New York metropolitan area and surrounding Hudson Valley counties, Abbott House touches the lives of more than

7,000 people each year.

Serving children and families in need and people with developmental disabilities, Abbott House strives for excellence and absolute integrity in the delivery of services.



"...you at Abbott House are great and good because you are the Good Samaritans working to help those who have been abandoned, and who have faced the scars along the Jericho Roads of life."

- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Children, Youth, and Family Services

Children and Families in Foster Care

Abbott House provides social support services as well as medical and mental health care for abused, neglected, and emotionally disturbed children and teenagers, and their families.

Through the Community-Based Foster Boarding Homes Program, children are matched every day with a caring foster family. If a child has special needs, he or she can find a foster family through the Therapeutic Foster Boarding Homes Program.

Bridges to Health (B2H) is a hands-on, supportive program, which launched in 2008 for children in foster care with complex medical, developmental, or mental health conditions. We offer in-home, supportive services tailored to the child's health needs and coordinated by our Health Care Integrators. Abbott House is the only social service agency that provides these services to both New York City and the Lower Hudson Valley region.



Prevention Services

Abbott House works with up to 50 at-risk families in Newburgh and Poughkeepsie through the Family Assessment and Community Enhancement (FACE) Program to provide crucial early intervention services, helping children avoid the foster care system.



Youth Offenders

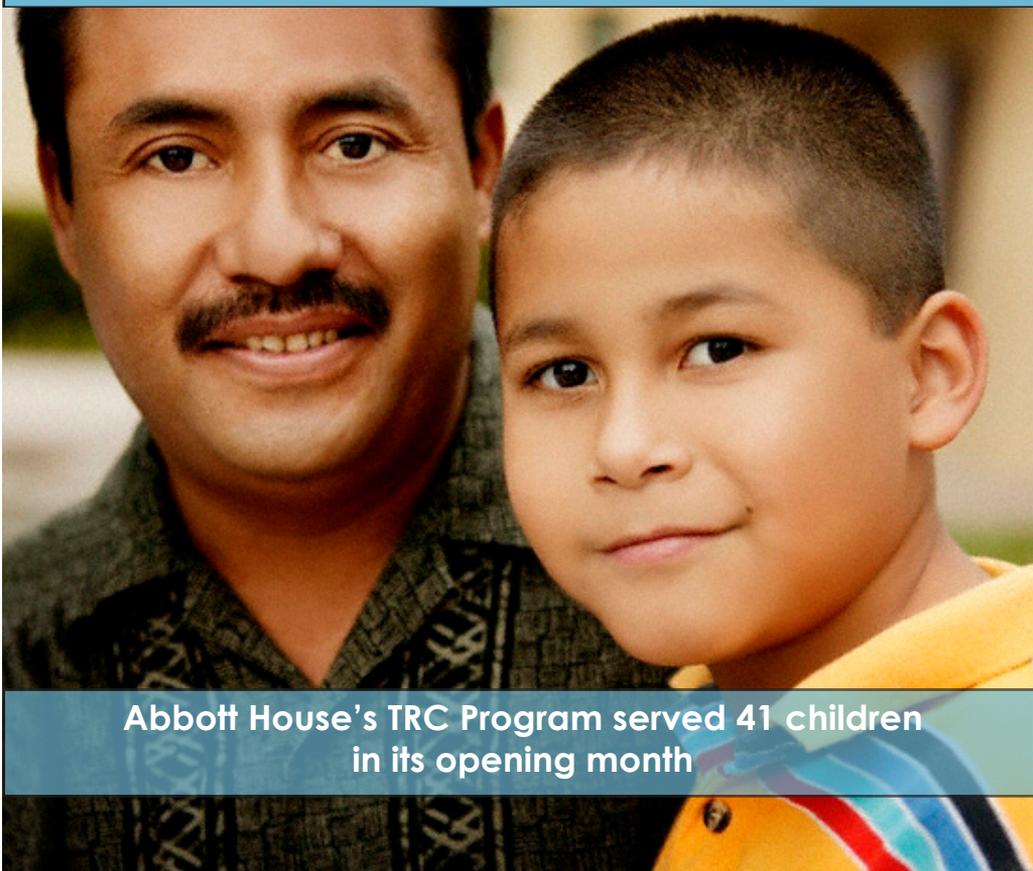
Funded by the Office of Mental Health, Abbott House's Pleasantville Community Residence provides care for emotionally disturbed adolescents. Additionally, our Non-Secure Detention program provides temporary residential care for youth accused of committing delinquent or criminal acts.

By providing youths with new skills and opportunities, Abbott House aims to make sure their first contact with the justice system will all be their last.

Children Awaiting Family Reunification

The Transitional Resources for Children (TRC) Program serves up to 51 young people at any given time. These children have entered the United States from other countries without an adult guardian, and Abbott House provides short-term care and treatment while a family member or sponsor is identified. The TRC Program opened on June 3rd, 2014 thanks to a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office.

During their stay, children receive room and board, case management, individual counseling, medical and educational services, recreation/leisure activities, acculturation, legal services, and access to religious services.



**Abbott House's TRC Program served 41 children
in its opening month**

In 2014 . . .

691 Children and teenagers had a safe and comfortable bed to sleep in

27 Adoptions of children and teenagers

263 Received B2H services

132 new children welcomed into Abbott House's foster care program

230 Abbott House foster families

49 new foster homes opened

222 staff members took LGBTQ training

35 youths participated in the Preparing Youth for Adulthood Program



Devon Chisholm, former Abbott House foster care youth, speaks at a fundraising event

Services for the Developmentally Disabled

Abbott House has 17 residential programs located throughout Westchester, Rockland, and the Bronx for people who are intellectually or developmentally disabled.

Our Day Habilitation Programs focus on teaching every individual to be a meaningful member of their community, and groups often volunteer at local fire department, animal shelters, and deliver Meals on Wheels.

Additional Support Services:

Medicaid Service Coordination

Medicaid Service Coordinators serve as advocates for individuals with disabilities in a one-on-one basis to ensure their needs are met.

Self-Advocacy

Self-Advocacy is a program that teaches individuals leadership skills while empowering them to speak about issues they find important.

Residential Services

Behavior specialists consult with individuals to create goals that are important to the individual and plans that fit within that person's capability to achieve them.

In 2014 . . .

Individuals With Developmental Disabilities

105 had a safe and supervised home to live and grow in

27 volunteered in their community

15 participated in the Special Olympics

89 received Medicaid Service Coordination Services

30 participated in the SPDD Kiwanis Club Chapter

26 Learned and exercised their rights as Self-Advocates



In 2014, 14 Abbott House consumers gained or maintained paid employment, a 15% increase from 2013

Abbott House
Statement of Operating Revenue and Expenses
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Public Support and Revenue		2014	2013
Government Agencies		\$43,219,222.00	\$43,487,221.00
Contributions		\$360,296.00	\$162,652.00
Rent Income		\$139,242.00	\$357,873.00
Other		\$866,604.00	\$437,502.00
Total		\$44,585,364.00	\$44,445,248.00

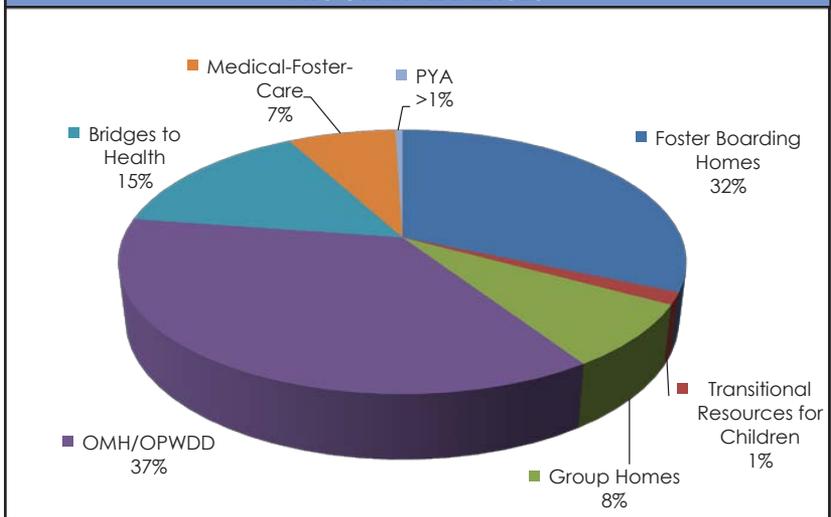
Expenses			
Program Expenses		2014	2013
Foster Boarding Homes		\$12,544,209.00	\$13,909,705.00
Transitional Resources for Children		\$580,939.00	
Group Homes		\$3,102,240.00	\$3,072,176.00
OMH/OPWDD		\$14,561,354.00	\$15,747,441.00
Bridges to Health		\$5,881,772.00	\$5,617,028.00
Medical-Foster-Care		\$2,922,427.00	\$3,001,762.00
Preparing Youth for Adulthood		\$199,590.00	\$242,862.00
Total		\$39,792,531.00	\$41,590,974.00

Other Expenses		2014	2013
Fundraising		\$384,044.00	\$150,215.00
Management and General		\$3,242,480.00	\$3,672,006.00
Total		\$3,626,524.00	\$3,822,221.00

Total Operating Expenses		2014	2013
		\$43,419,055.00	\$45,413,195.00

Operating Surplus (Deficit)		2014	2013
		\$1,166,309.00	(\$967,947.00)

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