

# Southside Family Nurturing Center

## Annual Report 2006

### Our Mission Statement:

*Together with families and community, we nurture children, build on family strengths, and find alternatives to violence.*



### Message from the Executive Director

We at Southside are here to serve, to act as conduits of possibility for the small hands and hearts in our classrooms and for the aspirations of the parents who entrust us with their children and allow us into their lives. The words "Peace to all who enter here" quietly illuminates our front doors. Those words embody the intention of our work, which is to calm the spirit and ease the struggle of those who brave our entryway. I am now, and have always been proud to be a part of this agency.

With the spirit of growth and the future in mind, I am pleased to present our first published Annual Report of 2006. I hope that, in reading about our successes, you are as inspired as we are to continue working towards our goals for the next year.

There were of course challenges this past year, but they only served to clarify our direction and articulate our needs. We are focused on Southside's future and this focus will facilitate a revival of our commitment to the enrichment of our programs and operational systems. This commitment originated with the restructuring of our organizational model and the unification of our Family Programs vision. As we move into an era of policy and structure formalization, I trust we will remember and hold dear the legacy of Southside's beginning, its clarity of purpose and gracious character.

*Barb Olson*

### Thank you to our Board of Directors for their great leadership in 2006!

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David Draus, *Facilities Manager; Augsburg College*

Annette Jacox, *SSFNC Staff Representative*

## Highlights of 2006

- ◇ We successfully participated in a collaborative planning process along with Sabathani Community Center, Sustainable Resources Center, the University of Minnesota's Children, Youth and Families Consortium, and other community partners. The collaboration, entitled the Family Sustainability Collaborative, received a planning grant from Blue Cross Blue Shield to explore the possibility of creating a program that addresses the holistic environmental needs of the families that we serve, such as providing environmental home inspections, and testing for lead exposure.
- ◇ SSFNC's Hispanic/Latino Family Play Group, funded in 2006 by The Sheltering Arms Foundation, has been a huge success! This program was implemented in 2006 and consists of Spanish-only monthly events with the Hispanic/Latino families that are enrolled in either our Home Based or Center Based Services. Our Latino Family Specialist coordinates this program, which provides an opportunity for Hispanic/Latino families to socialize, access community resources, and build community. Average attendance of these events was six families with eighteen children, with consistent and enthusiastic attendance of fathers as well.
- ◇ For the third consecutive year, SSFNC collaborated with In the Heart of the Beast Puppet and Mask Theatre to provide arts programming to our families during Family Days and Family Nights. In addition to the consistent funding we have received from the Metropolitan Regional Arts Council and local Target stores, this year we also received funding from COMPAS, allowing us to offer the program to families in *both* Center Based and Home Based Services. A record thirteen families participated in the annual May Day Parade, the culmination of this project.
- ◇ Through a grant from the Otto Bremer Foundation, and a generous donation by b-swing, SSFNC has launched a biannual newsletter as well as our first website ([www.ssfnc.org](http://www.ssfnc.org)). These two important tools will allow us to improve communication with our supporters and community partners.

## Program Outcomes of 2006

In 2006, we served 64 families comprised of 107 children and 94 parents. Forty-four of the fathers or male caretakers participated in our Father's Program.

### Race/Ethnicity

- ◇ 31% Native American
- ◇ 28% Hispanic/Latino
- ◇ 21% Multiracial
- ◇ 9.5% African American
- ◇ 9.5% Caucasian
- ◇ 1% African

### Economics

- ◇ 84% of families were living in poverty.
- ◇ 38% of families received Public Assistance.
- ◇ 25% of families were employed.
- ◇ 37% of families were employed and received Public Assistance

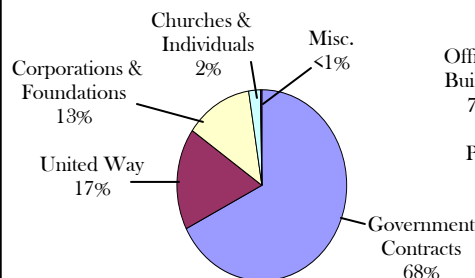


### Program Outcomes

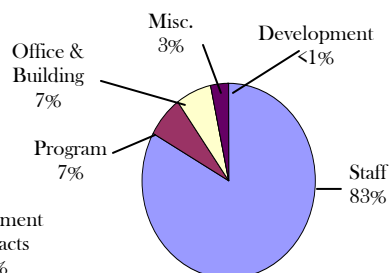
- ◇ 91% of children improved in their ability to follow routines with adult guidance.
- ◇ 88% of children improved their skills in at least two areas of cognitive, language, motor, or self-help domains.
- ◇ 91% of children improved or maintained at a satisfactory level their attendance to school.
- ◇ 65% of parents improved or maintained at an adequate level their ability to sustain their families.
- ◇ 60% of parents improved or maintained at an adequate level their ability to nurture their children.
- ◇ 60% of parents improved or maintained at an adequate level their ability to provide safety and protection for their children.
- ◇ 75% of parents improved or maintained at an adequate level their ability to regulate and manage their children.
- ◇ 71% of fathers developed an emotional connection with their children.
- ◇ 64% of fathers developed behavior management skills.
- ◇ 25% of non-active fathers responded to outreach efforts by Father's Program staff.

## 2006 Financial Report

### Operating Revenue Sources



### Operating Expenses



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Government Contracts	\$867,573
United Way	\$218,619
Corporations & Foundations	\$164,310
Churches & Individuals	\$29,273
Misc.	\$3,439
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,283,214</b>

### Operating Expenses:

Staff	\$1,052,972
Program	\$92,150
Office & Building	\$86,555
Misc.	\$34,479
Development	\$2,214
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,270,753</b>

## Capital Campaign Financial Report

(as of 12/31/2006)

### Capital Revenue Sources

HUD Grant	\$100,000
Fundraising Events	\$6,665
Individuals	\$7,400
GMDCA Loan Forgiven	\$3,000
Dividends	\$2,186
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$119,251*</b>

### Capital Expenses

Construction	\$117,946
Boiler Replacement	\$36,511
Fire Towers	\$17,332
Fundraising	\$2,425
Misc.	\$125
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$174,340*</b>

\*The difference of \$55,089 between expenses and revenue in 2006 represents funds that were raised for the Capital Campaign prior to 2006.

## Looking Ahead: Goals for 2007-08

- ◇ Continue board recruitment to expand the board from 10 to 14 members, with the goal of increasing diversity and former parent membership.
- ◇ Complete renovation for the agency's capital campaign, including the installation of an elevator, a new Southwest entry to the building, renovation or modification of six bathrooms, and compliance with ADA standards.
- ◇ Prepare for our upcoming renewal of accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) in 2008.
- ◇ Participate with Metro Healthy Families and the Infant Parent Development Program to provide early intervention services to families with infants and young children who are at risk for abuse and neglect. Families will be identified in the hospital and/or during prenatal care visits, and will be referred to SSFNC for intensive, long-term support to prevent of child abuse. This program is well underway, and we are already serving four families.



## Thank You for Your Support in 2006!

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