



Connecting, Supporting,
and Healing Families
Anu Family Services
2018 Annual Report



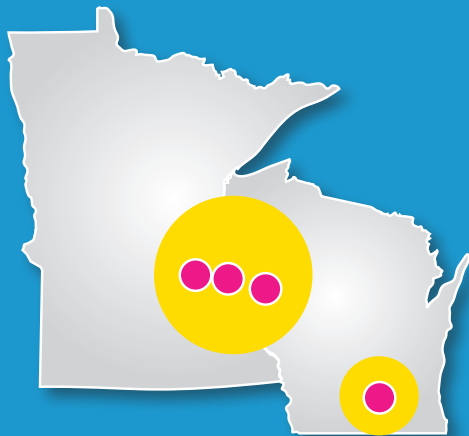


INNOVATING TO MAKE AN IMPACT

Anu Family Services has been providing high-quality, innovative services to children and families since 1992. Anu provides services throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota.

We Provide:

- Treatment Foster Care
- Intensive Permanence and Trauma Services
- Parent Coaching Services
- Community-Based Flexible Support Services
- Parenting Coach Certification Courses
- Training and Consultation



We have offices in Saint Paul, Minnesota, and Hudson, Eau Claire, and Madison, Wisconsin.

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Being a foster parent is the best thing I have ever done BAR NONE... other than meeting my wife... because she introduced me to this.

– Dave, Anu Foster Parent

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OUR 2018 COLLECTIVE IMPACT

41

children found loving, permanent homes

56

youth received Intensive Permanence/Trauma Services

106

children placed in Anu foster homes

88

Anu treatment foster parents

566

caregivers/parents received Parent Coaching

816

children, youth, adults, and families served

INTENSIVE TRAUMA SERVICES TRANSFORMING GENERATIONS ONE LIFE AT A TIME

Our Intensive Trauma Services help children address their grief and loss so they can heal and restore their ability to engage in healthy relationships.

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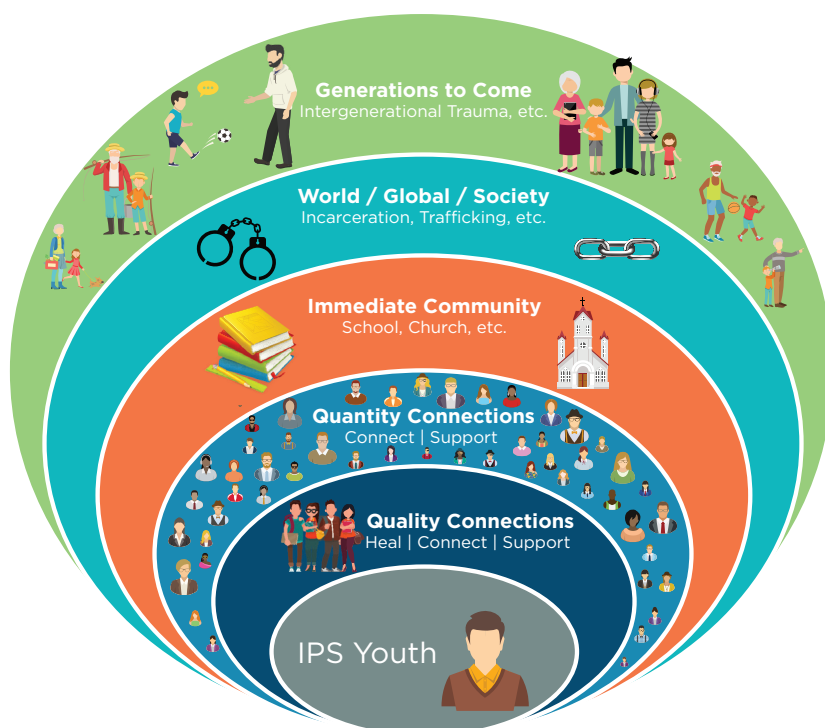
youth received
Intensive Trauma
Services in 2018

89%

of youth increased
the quantity and
quality of their
supportive adult
connections



Research tells us **ONE** family connection makes all the difference in a child's life. In 2018, we conducted exhaustive searches to help 10 children find supportive kin.



FOSTER PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Anu Family Services Foster Parent Council was created in 2018. The Advisory Council meets monthly and covers topics relevant to foster care policy, practice, and needs. This group is aimed at improving foster care within Anu and the state of Wisconsin. Advisory Council members also act as foster parent advocates and are available to support other foster parents. Dave Newman, Treatment Foster Care Program Director, coordinates and facilitates Advisory Council gatherings.

Members include:

Alisha Ligman
Missy McKenna
Bobby Jo Vojtasek
Greg Topp
Michelle Volbright
Cheri and John Gehrke



Nearly one in five children in foster care has been in care before.

Source: Casey Family Programs

ANU FOSTER PARENTS ARE GRATEFUL FOR...

- the changes that youth make when they know they are safe!
- the foster children and their parents!
- the opportunity that I have had to be a part of the child's life.
- Being able to help the youth grow to be the adults they aspire to be!



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We are working in the greatest profession there is...LIFE!

We love:

- *Seeing youth thrive*
- *Providing a family atmosphere*
- *Filling our home with Love, Tears, and Laughter*
- *Making a difference one life at a time!*

– Dana and Stacey, Anu Foster Parent since 2008

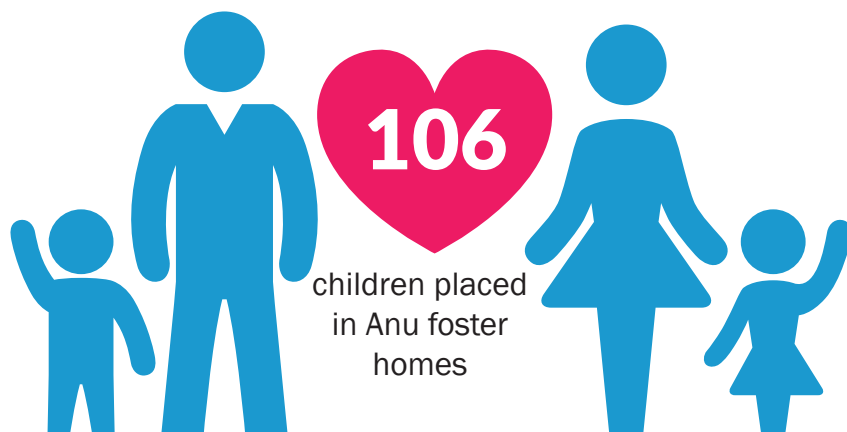
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PLACING CHILDREN IN ANU FOSTER HOMES

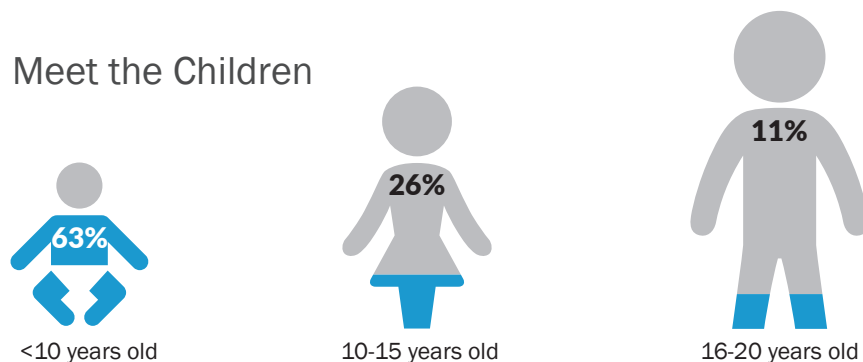
Anu is known for connecting kids with treatment foster parents trained in trauma. This specialized training is supportive of children with significant emotional, behavioral, social, or medical needs.

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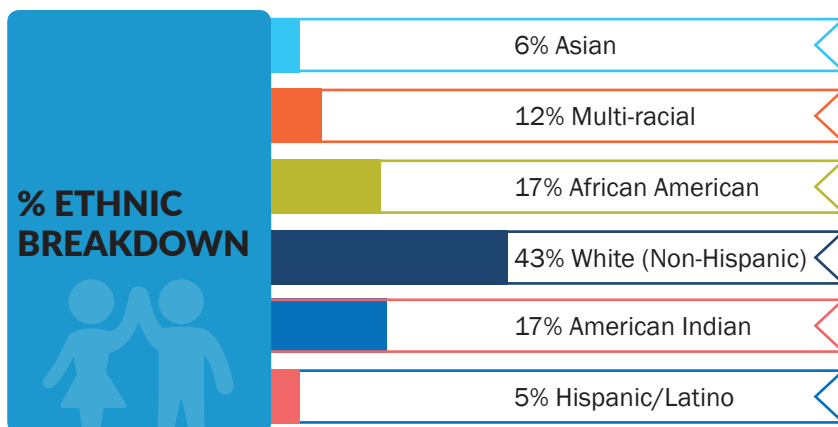
Treatment Foster Parents



Meet the Children



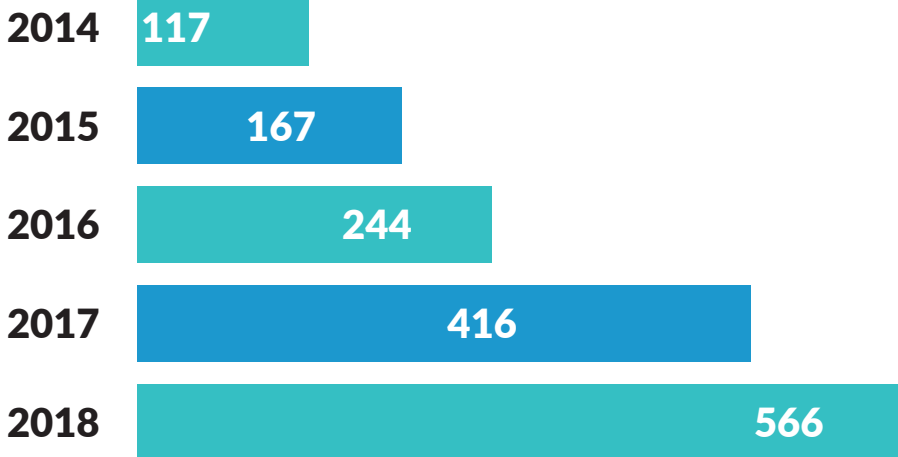
RACE AND ETHNICITY OF CHILDREN



PARENT COACHING

Parent Coaching connects the parent to the child, instills hope, and nurtures well-being.

Caregivers Empowered



Total Parent Coaching
Hours Provided in **2017**



Total Parent Coaching
Hours Provided in **2018**

1,842 MORE HOURS IN 2018

82%

of youth whose parents
received Coaching stayed in
their parents' home

100%

of children whose parents
received Coaching
experienced improvement in
their behaviors, attributes, and
relationships

SHARING WHAT WE KNOW

HEALING THE HEART OF YOUR TRAUMATIZED CHILD

*A Relationship Guide for Pre-placement, Foster and Adoptive
Parents Whose Children Have Experienced Grief, Loss, and Trauma*



Anu created the Healing the Heart of Your Traumatized Child Guidebook. It contains 70 pages of practical tips and tools for working with children and youth who have experienced trauma (and for the adults who love them, too).





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Anu Family Services is one of the most mission-driven organizations I've ever had the pleasure to work with. It's abundantly clear that children and families are at the core of each program, project, and employee. It's a rare thing to see an entire organization focused in one direction, working toward the same goal. Anu is a special place with an amazing combination of caring, determination, and talent.

– Tom Thiegs,
Anu Board Member

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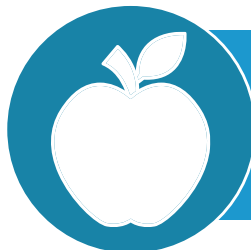
COMMUNITY-BASED FLEXIBLE SUPPORT

The flexible support program provides community-based support to caregivers suffering from mental illness and substance abuse.

This innovative pilot uses the best of what we know to keep families independent and healthy:



Provides education and support to help people work toward independence



Promotes well-being



Encourages healthy decision making



Connects individuals to community

OUR 2018 FUNDERS

Donors to Anu Family Services give the gift of lifelong connections and love.

THANK YOU!



Anu is fortunate to have so many supporters. Jen St. Cyr donated bags filled with comfort items and necessities for the youth. Jen's passion and selflessness is inspiring.

We are so grateful!

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♥ Donors who give monthly to ensure growth and sustainability

EVERY CHILD DESERVES A LIFELONG FAMILY.

THANK YOU!



Anu Family Services continues to grow and provide services to more children and families. Anu doesn't just provide foster care services. Anu provides community-based services designed to

return kids home more quickly, decrease the amount of time children spend in foster care, and increase the likelihood that kids will remain in their home. In 2018, Anu served over 1,000 children and families through our service array. Additionally, 41 children found permanent homes through adoption! Thank you for your continued support as we relentlessly pursue our mission to provide a loving home for every child. Your commitment and investment allow us to provide the best possible services to children and their families.

With gratitude,

Mechele Shipman, CEO,
EdD, BS, MSSW, LICSW, LCSW

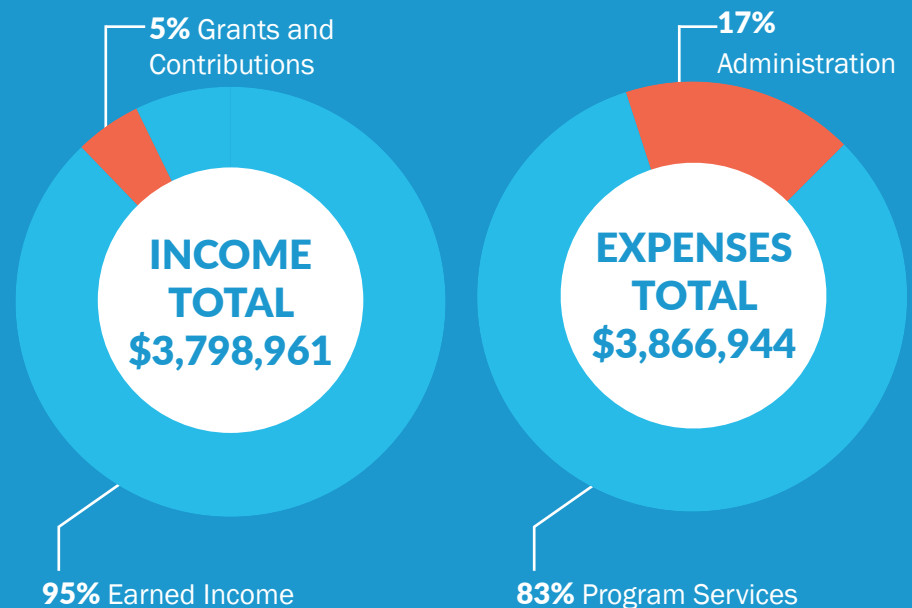


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FINANCIAL STABILITY

Donations from people like you provide financial stability that allows us to invest in children and families. Anu Family Services is in a strong financial position to continue innovating in 2018 and beyond.

Through GuideStar, we are happy to provide detailed financial information about Anu Family Services. Access our report at Guidestar.org.



MISSION:

To create permanent connections to loving and stable families

CORE VALUES:

- Whole system well-being
- Trauma effective services
- Strength-based
- Innovation
- Inclusivity
- Integrity

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