



kids on the move

empowering families, one kid at a time

2017 Annual Report



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Our Vision

2017: The Year of Executing a Key Strategic Initiative

After a great deal of internal preparation, and with a generous grant from a key donor partner, Kids On The Move launched a landmark initiative in 2017: to bring the excellent services of KOTM's Autism Center to rural Utah - not just the Wasatch Front.

With 1 in every 58 children impacted by autism in the state of Utah, anxious parents in Delta, Tremonton, Price, Vernal, Moab, Monticello, Richfield, Ephraim, and other towns were pleading for resources where they live.

Using advanced technology to reach remote areas of the State, KOTM is able to deliver outstanding autism therapy using elements of telehealth.

Areas that were previously too distant to receive this level of therapeutic delivery can now access the gold standard of autism therapy - Applied Behavior Analysis - right in a child's own home.

For us 2017 has been a game-changer. And it would not have been possible without the close collaboration of a partner who understands the impact and provided financial backing to make it happen.

Innovation is thriving in the nonprofit sector! Kids On The Move will continue to be at the forefront as we prepare for growth and change in the future.

Very Best,



-Scott Bean





Our Mission

Empowering Families, One Kid at a Time.

In 2017 Kids On The Move provided innovative high quality, direct services to over 2,400 children challenged by developmental delays, autism and poverty.

Kids On The Move exists to support the development of young children and families in our community. Our major service programs include: Early Intervention, Respite Care, Autism Center, and Early Head Start. In addition, Kids On The Move contributes time and resources to create and sustain community-wide networks of support.



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Autism Center

Growing to Serve All of Utah



Ezra (far left) and his loving family.

The need for quality autism therapy is vital in Utah where 1 in every 58 children is affected by autism according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC). Utah has the second highest rate of autism nationwide.

Since we opened the Autism Center in 2010, our program has steadily expanded to serve more families each year. We currently serve 69 local families and 31 families in rural Utah. Through using a web-based assessment and evaluation program, we have been able to measure the progress of these clients throughout therapy. We also have introduced

options for teens with autism through our PEERS program. This program was researched and developed out of UCLA. It had such a high success rate that some participants even showed a decrease in autism symptoms altogether.

Our Autism Center is an important resource in the Utah community for children and teens with autism. We have seen continual, amazing progress in the children we serve as they have been able to transition into mainstream schools and learn how to function within society. We hope to extend this resource to more families throughout Utah.

Ezra's Story

Ezra's parents noticed that he was different than their first three children. At his 12-month doctor visit, he was behind on typical milestones. "He didn't even know how to ask for help," said Ezra's mother. "He'd cry in a corner of a dark room when he was thirsty, and I had no way of knowing he wanted his bottle."

Ezra was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder at age 21 months, and started applied behavior analysis (ABA) therapy with Kids On The Move. Now at age 25 months, after only four months of ABA therapy, Ezra can sign to indicate he wants something.

"KOTM has given our son a gift; the ability to make choices," said Ezra's mother. "The more he can understand, communicate, and learn, the more choices he has throughout his life. Thank you for giving this gift to our son."



Child Care Center

Laying Solid Foundations For The Future

Kids On The Move (KOTM) Child Care has been in operation for 25+ years.

We currently serve 54 children; infants 2 months to 18 months, toddlers 18 months to 36 months and preschool ages 3 to 6 years divided into 3 classes.

Our philosophy is to love, respect and guide these little ones to be good problem solvers, kind to others, and feel joy in the learning process. Through exploration and self discovery, our children learn to celebrate mistakes knowing they are just another way to learn.

The staff are carefully chosen to meet the professional standards expected in addition to ongoing education and training.

KOTM Child Care Staff take this statement very seriously, realizing that what we feel, do, and say to and with these children influences their lives for years to come. We strive to carry out our responsibilities in a manner

that builds every child's well-being each and every day.

Thank you for your support, and the gift of this extraordinary opportunity to serve families and children in such a meaningful way.

The Wakefields

"I cannot give enough praise about the child care facility at Kids on the Move! They are phenomenal and truly love the children that they care for. My friends and coworkers frequently ask why I drive many miles out

of the way to bring my children to Kids on the Move. The answer is that KOTM is the only child care facility that I truly feel comfortable with caring for my children while my husband and I are at work.

The staff goes way above and beyond to not only care for my kids, but to treat them as if they were their own. Our whole family absolutely loves KOTM child care and feel so fortunate to have our kids cared for by their amazing staff!"



The Wakefields love playing at Kids On The Move.



Early Head Start

The Earlier We Start, The Farther They'll Go

Our Early Head Start (EHS) program is designed to enhance children's physical, social, emotional and intellectual development by supporting parents in their critical roles. In 2017, EHS served over 250 families.

We have a strong waiting list, with demand for services increasing each month. With a brand new online application that sends data directly into our ChildPlus software system, we had over 200 new applications, with many more paper applications and referrals accepted.

The population we serve is a very diverse group with at least five different languages represented.

In order to provide services for these participants, we have a diverse staff that is over half bilingual or multilingual, with over 50% in both Spanish and English.

The FACT (Fathers and Children Together) program enjoyed another year of success. At least 121 or 72%, of EHS fathers participated



The Lopez family is excited for their brighter future after Early Head Start.

in FACT activities with their children, which helped create a stronger father-child bond and build supportive networks for the fathers.

The Lopez Family

"Kids On The Move has helped our family by giving us support with our toddler, Santiago. It has also given us information, tips, and support on first-time parenting.


Also, one of the best parts about Santiago being enrolled in center-based services is that it allowed me to go back to school, to graduate, and receive my diploma. Now, having a high school diploma will open up more job opportunities for me and help me succeed. Looking forward I intend to keep progressing in my education and looking for a career."





Early Intervention

Critical Support When It's Needed Most

Since 85% of brain development occurs before the age of three, it is critical to intervene early. The Early Intervention (EI) program, funded by our lead agency, Baby Watch Early  Intervention, provides support and services to families with infants and toddlers, residing within the Alpine School District, who have development delays, disabilities or diagnosed conditions such as Cerebral Palsy, Spina Bifida, Down syndrome and Autism.

During the last fiscal year, Kids On The Move Early Intervention had 1,338 new referrals. When we combine the new referrals with the

children that were already actively in the Kids On The Move Early Intervention program during the last fiscal year, we served over 1,900 children.

Hannah's Story

"I will forever be grateful for the team of therapists at Kids on the Move who helped Hannah and our family get off on the right foot. When Hannah was born and we discovered she had Down syndrome, I had no idea what this diagnosis would entail.

Shortly after we brought her home from the hospital, Kids on the Move contacted us to set up a visit. When they arrived, they helped us understand some of the different challenges kids with Down syndrome often encounter in the first few years of life.

They played with Hannah and taught our family how we could best support her and help aid in her development. Each time a therapist would come to our house, my oldest daughter (just 19 months older than Hannah) would watch and learn from the therapist as they taught her how to play with Hannah.

It was wonderful to have these skills modeled to my oldest so that she could aid in Hannah's learning too. Over the following months and years, we watched as Hannah met milestone after milestone in every area of development with help from the amazing therapists and our friends at Kids on the Move. This is a program that children who need a little extra help can benefit."



Hannah brings joy to her family each and every day.

Respite Care

Caring for the Caregivers

At Kids On The Move Respite Care, we are committed to helping families receive a break from caregiving. During 2017, Kids On The Move Respite Care served 75 children at our Orem, Salem, Lehi, and St. George locations. Our Respite Program relies primarily on volunteers, with the exception of qualified nurses and behavioral managers.

A total of 821 volunteers provided 3,252 hours of caring service to the children. Many of our amazing volunteers are students in premed, prelaw, social work, nursing or psychology. While others are siblings of children with special needs and those who want to serve in their community.

An outstanding volunteer, Josh Peterson, received the "Heart and Hands" Award at Utah Philanthropy Day in Salt Lake City, Utah. This award recognizes volunteers who make significant contributions. Josh, who is studying to be a physician, handles the

different types of special needs of the children with the utmost professionalism. He views each child as an



Josh Peterson always volunteers with a smile.

individual and creates activities for the children to have a positive experience while at respite care.

Over the years, our board member, Jonathan Krein, has donated his computer science expertise to help us create an amazing "volunteer sign-up" webpage. Because of Jonathan, thousands of people are able to view our volunteer calendar and easily sign up to help all the children we serve at Kids On The Move.



Jonathan Krein



Over the course of 13 months, Jonathan logged his hours...

With the rate of an independent contractor with similar experience at **\$150** an hour...



He donated roughly **\$38,780** of his time to make our volunteer portal more user friendly!

Our Respite Care program is entirely run off of generous donations from our community! If you want to volunteer your time, visit www.kotm.org/volunteers.

Faith's Story

Deena Beckstand and her family are most grateful for the programs at Kids On The Move. When her daughter, Faith, was born, the hospital staff told her about the "Welcome Baby Program" through the Kids On The Move Early Intervention Program.

Deena says, "It all started in the hospital, where we found out Faith had a developmental delay. The nurse told us about Kids On The Move, and at six months, we started Faith with all the different types of therapists."

"The therapists helped Faith with rolling over, walking up and down the stairs, and increasing her fine and gross motor development. I can remember, as she developed, she had a favorite animal matching toy - if she matched the front of the cow with the back of the cow, the toy would "moo."



Faith with her loving parents.

Faith also participates in the Kids On The Move Respite Care Program. Deena said she learned about respite care through Kids On The Move, and says, "I am so glad when Faith gets to attend respite." Because Faith is now six years old, Deena says she appreciates when she gets a break from chasing and cleaning up after Faith.

Diane McNeill, Director of KOTM Respite Care says,

"We have all seen positive growth in Faith. She has increased her puzzle skills, learned appropriate social behavior, and has improved in her language development."

About Respite Care, Deena says, "I come back relaxed and refreshed after having a respite. We are truly thankful for Kids On The Move, and its programs."

Volunteers

Continual Community Support

Volunteer Stats

Volunteer projects included:

- Respite services
- Free child care for parent seminars
- Cleaning/maintenance
- Decorating two Kids On The Move (KOTM) motor rooms
- One-on-one social skills mentoring with children in the childcare
- Making toys, blankets and infant hats
- Eagle projects included benches, sensory tables and equipment, book, and supply drives

Local businesses “played it forward” and raised money for kids through the 12th annual KOTM Corporate Sports Challenge. They also brought groups to help at various events such as our Alumni party at the Loveland Living Planet Aquarium and the Haunted Half race benefitting KOTM. Other local businesses



sponsored KOTM’s Giving Tuesday coloring page campaign. Nearly 100 people were recorded as participants for the coloring

page campaign which resulted in an increased social media following and awareness for KOTM.

Awards

Making a Difference in the Community

Kids On The Move (KOTM) has received support from all sectors of the Utah County community, including governments, businesses, foundations, and individuals of all ages. While maintaining our focus on our primary mission, in 2017 we also participated in the community as follows:

- Kids On The Move was awarded Best of State in Special Education for the third consecutive year.
- KOTM Respite Care completed its first year in operation since the dissolution of Friday's Kids Respite in 2016.
- A new volunteer portal was developed by board member, Jonathan Krein, to aid in the recruitment, recording and retention of volunteers.
- PEERS, a social skills class for teens with autism, was held for the first time on KOTM campus in Fall 2017.
- KOTM provided Love and Logic classes to fathers and single mothers.



Sharon Edvalson, chief operating officer (COO), received the Best of State award on behalf of Kids On The Move. Kids On The Move has won best of state in special education for three years in a row.

- Mayor Richard Brunst, Orem City, helped celebrate the NHA anniversary by reading to children.
- KOTM licensed therapists provided clinical practicum experiences for multiple students from local universities.
- KOTM provided free Stepfamily training thanks

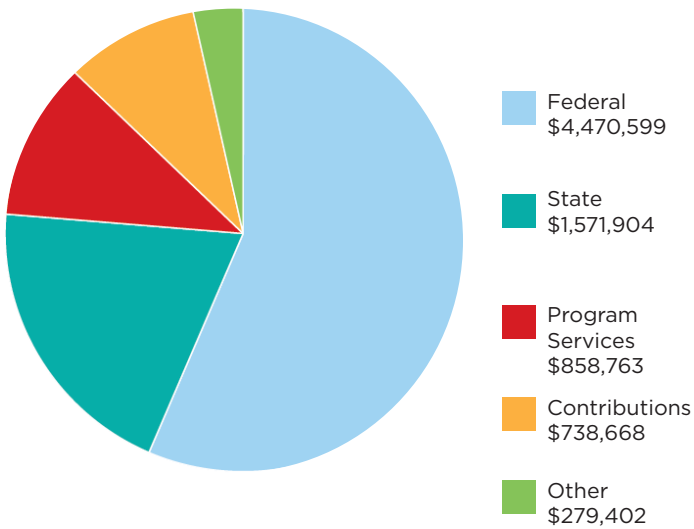
to a grant from Utah State University.

- Hosted free tax preparation series (VITA) at Orem and Lehi locations, sponsored through United Way of Utah County

Finances

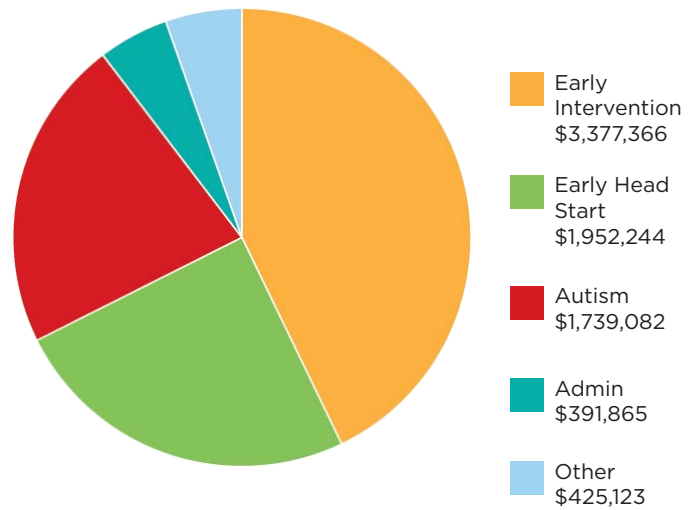
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Total \$7,919,336

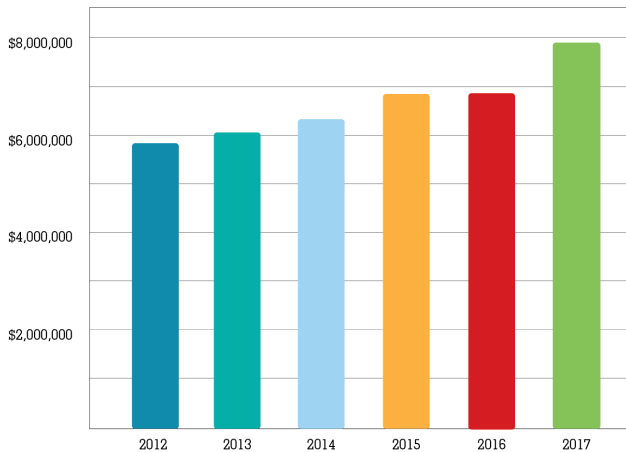


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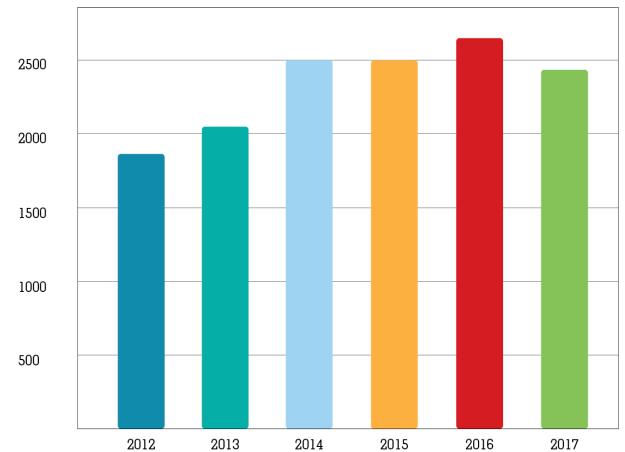
Total \$7,888,680



Revenue Trends



Enrollment Trends



Finances are audited annually and the reports are available online at KOTM.ORG. Our audit found no findings for 2017.

KOTM Donors

Legacy Donors \$100,000+

Ray and Tye Noorda
Foundation

Double Platinum Level Donors \$50,000+

The Kahlert Foundations

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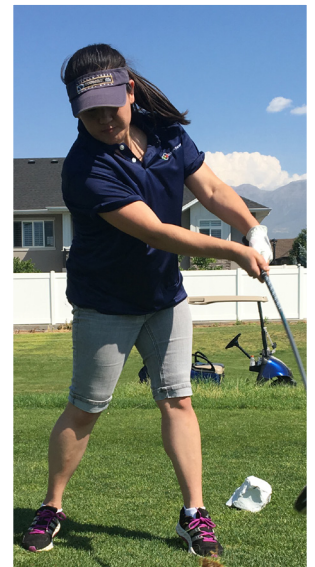
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Scott Bean, chief executive officer, and Heather Kahlert.

KOTM Events

2017 community involvement...



... thanks to those who made it possible!





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