

OUR MISSION

Friendship House strengthens the community by providing programs and access to services designed to empower youth and families.

**Friendship House
of Christian Service**

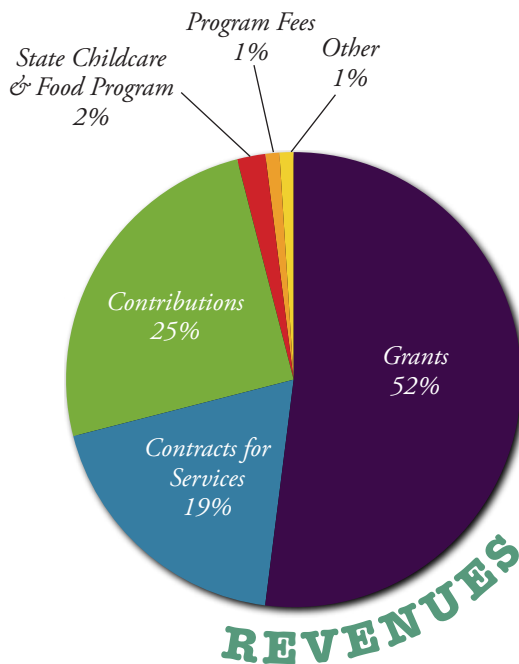
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THE FACTS



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...because kids are worth it.



ON AN AVERAGE DAY

- * 80 elementary school and 95 teenagers in 6 locations are engaged in youth development programs
- * 30-60 children are on the waiting list
- * We maintain a low student to adult ratio of 6:1
- * Kids are transported from Ponderosa, Orchard, and Newman Elementary Schools
- * Teen programs run at Riverside Middle School, Lewis & Clark Middle School, and Senior High School

LAST YEAR

- * 307 youth attended after school and summer youth development programs
- * Over 200 volunteers donated over 6,700 hours of service
- * Volunteers completed construction of a new classroom and the new Community Technology Center

SOUTH SIDE DEMOGRAPHICS

- * 34% of the South Side's adult population does not have a high school diploma or GED; compared to 10% in Billings
- * 12% are unemployed; compared to 4% in Billings
- * 44% of our youth ages 15-17 are not enrolled in school; compared to 3% in Billings

