

# ANNUAL REPORT HOPE HOUSE

2017



Hope House is a constant reminder that everything will be okay. Sometimes you can forget that God is there. Then you come to Hope House and are reminded of Him and His goodness."

- Tina Vang, Hope House Graduate

Somewhere in Denver, a 17-year-old mom is determined to build a stable life for her little one, but she's not sure how to escape her circumstances. Maybe it's an abusive stepdad, or hunger, or even homelessness. I believe that when she prays a desperate prayer, God whispers back: "Hold on – I'm sending My people."

In 2017, more than 180 teen moms found a place to belong at Hope House. They earned GED certifications and college degrees and learned to budget, parent and goal-plan. But most importantly, they became a part of a safe and loving community. YOU, our champions, are the people God sent. You provided for and protected our girls when their own families couldn't or wouldn't.

Did you know... Hope House is the only resource in the Denver-metro area offering free housing, self-sufficiency and educational programs to teen moms.

In 2017 you helped us complete a \$3.5 million capital campaign for a new 15,000 sq. ft. Resource Center, and you also helped us finish the year with strong operational financial support – a rarity for organizations who are conducting a capital campaign!

In 2017, YOU gave our teen moms the opportunity to break the cycle of poverty for their children. You gave them hope for their future.

Lisa Steven

Lisa Steven Founder & Executive Director



...thanks to **YOU!** 

## I never thought I would see the day that I graduated. I still look back every day on the struggles we have been through. I refuse to be another statistic."

-Shay, a Hope House GED graduate who is breaking the cycle of poverty that defined her childhood and building a bright future for her son, Jordan. Her next goal? Nursing school!

ONLY HALF OF TEEN MOMS WILL GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL. OUR GED PROGRAM HAS AN 86% GRADUATION RATE.

### **GED HIGHLIGHTS 2017**

- **24 teen moms** earned a high school equivalency certificate.
- 14 tutors provided 569 hours of one-on-one tutoring.

*Did you know...* Colorado recently introduced HiSET, a new alternative to the GED, and **11 of the first 20 graduates** in Colorado were Hope House teen moms!

### **COLLEGE & CAREER HIGHLIGHTS 2017**

• 95 teen moms participated.

• **41 teen moms** enrolled in higher education programs.

• **60 teen moms** participated in Job Readiness/Career Development.

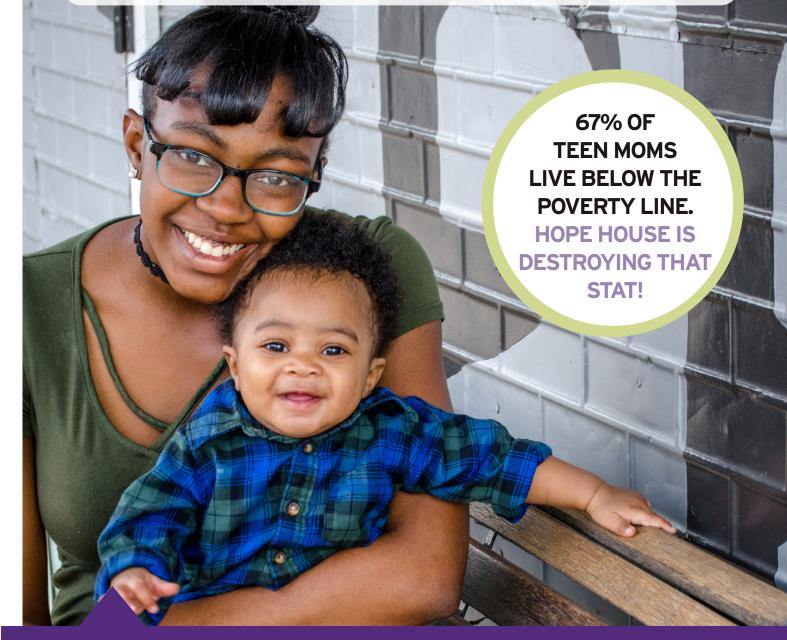
*Did you know...* 100 percent of our GED graduates moved on to our College & Career Program!

80% PERCENT OF TEEN MOMS END UP ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE. EDUCATION AND EMPOWERMENT CAN CHANGE THAT REALITY.

### **RESIDENTIAL HIGHLIGHTS 2017**

- **18** teen moms/former graduates served.
- 3 teen moms graduated in 2017.

*Did you know...* **90 percent** of Residential Program graduates reach stable levels of self-sufficiency **within 5 years!** 



# Yeah, I'm a teen, but I'm also a mom and my son is priority one.

-Trinity, a Hope House Residential Program teen mom who is the first in her family to go to college. She is in her second semester at Metro State University of Denver!

### **EARLY LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS 2017**

- 107 teen moms accessed this program for their children.
- 135 kids participated.

*Did you know...* **91%** of our engaged Early Learning children are on or above target in Social Emotional and/or Language objectives

CHILDREN WHO ATTEND A QUALITY EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM ARE LESS LIKELY TO REPEAT A GRADE, DROP OUT OF SCHOOL OR EXPERIENCE A TEEN PREGNANCY. QUALITY EARLY LEARNING CHANGES A CHILD'S EDUCATIONAL TRAJECTORY.

### **PARENTING HIGHLIGHTS 2017**

• 113 teen moms participated in our Parenting Classes.

• 103 parenting classes & 101 individual coaching sessions were offered.

**Did you know...** 67% of teen moms who completed our Parenting 101 Series recognized abuse in their childhood that they had not previously identified, dramatically reducing the risk of repeating abusive disciplinary patterns.

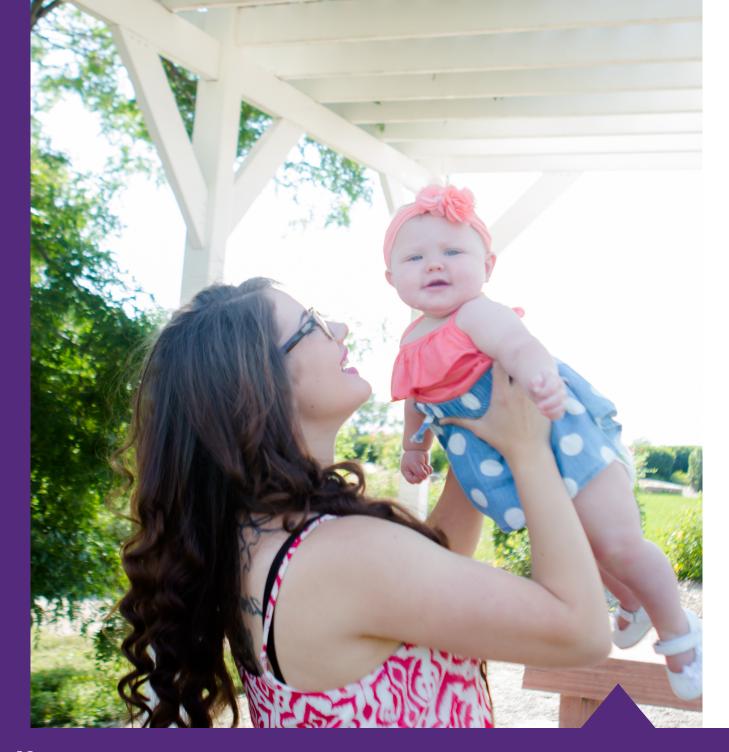
STATISTICALLY TEEN MOMS ARE MORE LIKELY TO ABUSE OR NEGLECT THEIR CHILD.

EDUCATION AND MENTORING CHANGE THAT OUTLOOK.

### **HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS HIGHLIGHTS 2017**

- 98 teen moms participated.
- 51 teen moms received professional counseling.
- 29 Healthy Relationships classes provided.

**Did you know...** our curriculum, *The Story of Hope*: *The Journey of a Teen Mom*, was co-written by Trisha Daly, a Hope House staff member, after she found that a healthy relationships curriculum for teen moms didn't exist.



\*\* Things are really coming together for me and my family, and one day when I have things in line for myself, I really want to be able to give back to you guys in some way or another. I just feel super blessed. \*\*

-Allison, a Parenting class graduate who recognized abusive behavior she experienced as a child -- and learned how to parent her own daughter differently!

**FOUNDATIONS & GRANTS** Anna & John J. Sie Foundation **Anschutz Family Foundation Arvada Chamber of Commerce Benevity Community Impact Fund Broomfield Community Foundation Buell Foundation Carson Foundation City of Arvada Community First Foundation Constellation Phillanthropy** David and Judy Koff Family Fund F & J Allegretti Foundation **GoFish Fund** James A.C. & Maureen A. Kennedy **Charitable Giving Fund KeyBank Foundation** Klau Family Foundation Fund **Louis & Harold Price Foundation Macsovits Family Fund MAXIMUS** Foundation **Meritage Cares Foundation Phyllis M. Coors Foundation Rocky Mountain Active 20-30 Children's Foundation Rolling Hills Country Club Foundation Schuster Family Foundation Schlessman Family Foundation Spirit of Christ Catholic Community Stand Together** The Nathan B. and Florence R. Burt Foundation The Robert W. & Susan T. Brown Family Foundation Westminster 7:10 Rotary **XCEL Energy Corporate Citizenship Foundation Younggren Family Fund** 



**32% FOUNDATIONS & GRANTS\*\*** 29% INDIVIDUALS\*\* 21% EVENTS **11% CORPORATION** 5% IN-KIND\*\*\* 2% CHURCH

\*Unaudited

\*\*Includes resricted 2018 Constellation grant & operating reserve gifts \*\*\*Includes In-kind \$79,735

### MAJOR CHAMPIONS (\$5,000+)

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> **SUMMARY OF EXPENSES**\* \$1,327,192

71% PROGRAM **19% FUNDRAISING** 10% G&A

\*Unaudited/Does not include event expenses

# FAST FORWARD

Hope House broke ground on its **New Resource Center** in January 2017. The new facility, scheduled to open in late 2018, will allow Hope House to triple the number of teen moms and children served annually.



HomeAid Colorado and Meritage Homes chose Hope House as their 2017 project -- which helped us close the gap on our fundraising campaign and break ground on our new Resource Center!



# empowering teen moms.

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