



Dear Friends of Fresh Start,

This year, we were once again reminded of how valuable our supporters are to the health and success of our life-changing programs and services for women. We were able to expand our programs and offer new workshops and events, and our partners were instrumental to our expansions:

- Through a partnership with Goodwill of Central Arizona, we were able to open an East Valley location at the Goodwill Career Center in Chandler. In addition, the e-learning center at Fresh Start is now equipped with full-time Goodwill staff to help women find self-sustaining employment and provide technical support while working on the computers.
- Offered to entry to mid-level professional women in our community, the Inspired Leadership Series featured seasoned, local expert guest speakers addressing the issues of professional standing, career goals, and knowledge for growth and development. Thanks to the support of American Express, the Inspired Leadership Series was available for free to attendees.
- The Transition to Thrive Luncheon Series highlights the courage, strength and best practices implemented by some of the most successful women in our community as they shared how they navigated major life transitions. National Bank of Arizona has been instrumental in helping us bring this series to the community.
- In partnership with Soroptimists of Phoenix, we provided GED classes and testing support for women. The course work and materials were provided by Princeton Review and is aligned with state GED testing requirements.
- Premiering in 2014, Girls Thriving assisted young women between the ages of 13 and 18 to make well-informed life decisions and avoid disastrous outcomes due to lack of guidance, maturity, knowledge or experience.
- Each month we offered a well-attended, educational seminar called "Freshspectives" with topics of interest ranging from diversity, health and wellness, HIV/AIDS awareness and free testing with Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS, healthy dating, financial awareness and the Starting Fresh Back to School event.
- Our Thrive On quarterly group celebrated and sustained our clients who are moving up in their pursuit of attaining their goals. The group provided a networking opportunity coupled with an expert guest speaker related to the needs of the women. Each attended received a "Thrive On" card entitling her to attend all workshops and events free of charge, access to the Public Speakers Bureau and engagement in Thrive On volunteerism. We held three Thrive On events and membership has risen to 95 members.

Thank you for your commitment to support and empower women throughout the Valley. Without our dedicated staff, board members, volunteers, donors and partners, we would not be able to provide women with as many quality services and unique opportunities. In the coming years, we hope to forge more partnerships and continue to expand our services to help women thrive.

Susan Berman

Sincerely,

Mary Martuscelli

Chair, Fresh Start Executive Board of Directors

Susan Berman

President & CEO, Fresh Start Women's Foundation



Dear Friends of Fresh Start Women's Foundation.

In our 21st year of operation, I'm pleased to report that the overall financial position was again positive. In general, this was due our continued growth of our donor base, positive investment performance, lower administrative costs, and increased revenue from Fresh Start Treasures, a thrift boutique benefitting Fresh Start. Total revenue was \$2,825,028 and net income from all sources, less operating expenses, was \$551,375 (which includes restricted grants for future projects and excludes depreciation).

Fiscal Year 2014 Highlights:

- Contributions, grants and bequests accounted for \$994,647 of our total revenue.
- Fresh Start Treasures revenue increased by 28% as compared to FY2013.
- We continued our strong discipline over administrative costs, with 80% of funds supporting direct services.
- Scholarships totaling \$70,557 were awarded to Fresh Start women for pursuing higher education.

We continued our environment of financial and programmatic transparency between the staff, the Finance Committee and the Executive Board, making decisions that best benefited Fresh Start and the women we serve in the community.

The financial statements on the following pages are for FY2014, which ended June 30, 2014.

With our strong donor base, as well as new donors, sponsors and grantors, Fresh Start will continue to thrive in 2015 and beyond.

Sincerely,

Christine Schaefer Kline

Treasurer, Fresh Start Executive Board of Directors

# financial report

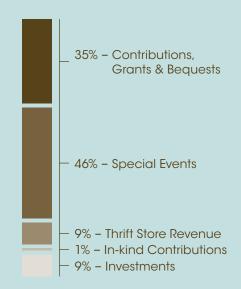
#### Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ending June 30, 2014

(with comparative totals for the year ended June 30, 2013) (before depreciation)

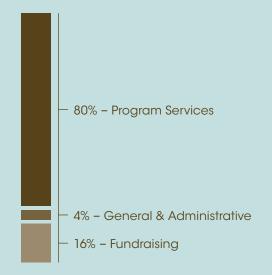
REVENUE	2014	2013
Contributions, Grants & Bequests	\$994,647	\$1,645,065
Special Events	1,302,839	1,325,821
Thrift Store Revenue, net	256,962	200,917
In-kind Contributions	26,882	73,641
Investments	243,698	90,119
Total Revenue	\$2,825,028	\$3,335,563
EXPENDITURES		
Program Services	1,810,787	2,008,322
General & Administrative	96,808	96,367
Fundraising	366,058	319,973
Total Expenditures	2,273,653	2,424,662
Loss on Uncollectable Pledges	0	23,054
Change in Net Assets	\$551,375	887,847

#### 2014 REVENUE



#### 2014 EXPENDITURES

\*includes loss on debt; excludes depreciation







### our numbers

2013-2014

22,512 Women's Resource Center visits
1,844 Children served by Child Watch
3,657 New center visits
334 Documents prepared/reviewed by certified legal document preparers
84 Percentage of returning visits to the center
3,205 Women served by family law support services
11,220 E-learning center visits
7,537 Volunteer hours utilized to support Fresh Start services
522 Women provided with career, technical and financial one-on-one coaching
2,649 Direct client contact and case management by master's level social workers and resource specialists (hours)

# O SETVICES

Career Services - Career coaches work one-onone with clients helping them to develop a career and education plan and write their resumes. A self-service computer center is available to help women search for positions in a variety of career fields.

Child Watch - Free child care services are available on-site for women who are attending classes or utilizing the center's services.

Education - A variety of workshops, seminars and support groups offer concrete, practical advice on an ongoing basis facilitated by leading professionals on such topics as finance, parenting and interviewing skills.

E-Learning Center - Computer-equipped, internetaccessible library, specializing in self-help and women's issues with a collection of thousands of books, media and periodicals.

Family Law Support - Services include legal information sessions, workshops and seminars presented by legal professionals. Certified legal document preparers are available to provide preparation of family court documents at a significantly reduced fee.

Mentoring Program - This unique program provides one-on-one caring support and direction from successful women in the community who volunteer to encourage other women to reach their educational and career goals.

Online Resource Center - Women can access Fresh Start courses and resources any time, anywhere at freshstartwomen.org.

#### Personal Development Services -

Individualized assistance and workshops created to enhance women's confidence and self-esteem through professional wardrobing choices, hair and make-up application and stress-relief techniques.

Social Work Services - Master's level social workers help women prioritize their needs and create an action plan for overcoming life's barriers, including workshops, referrals and one-on-one sessions.



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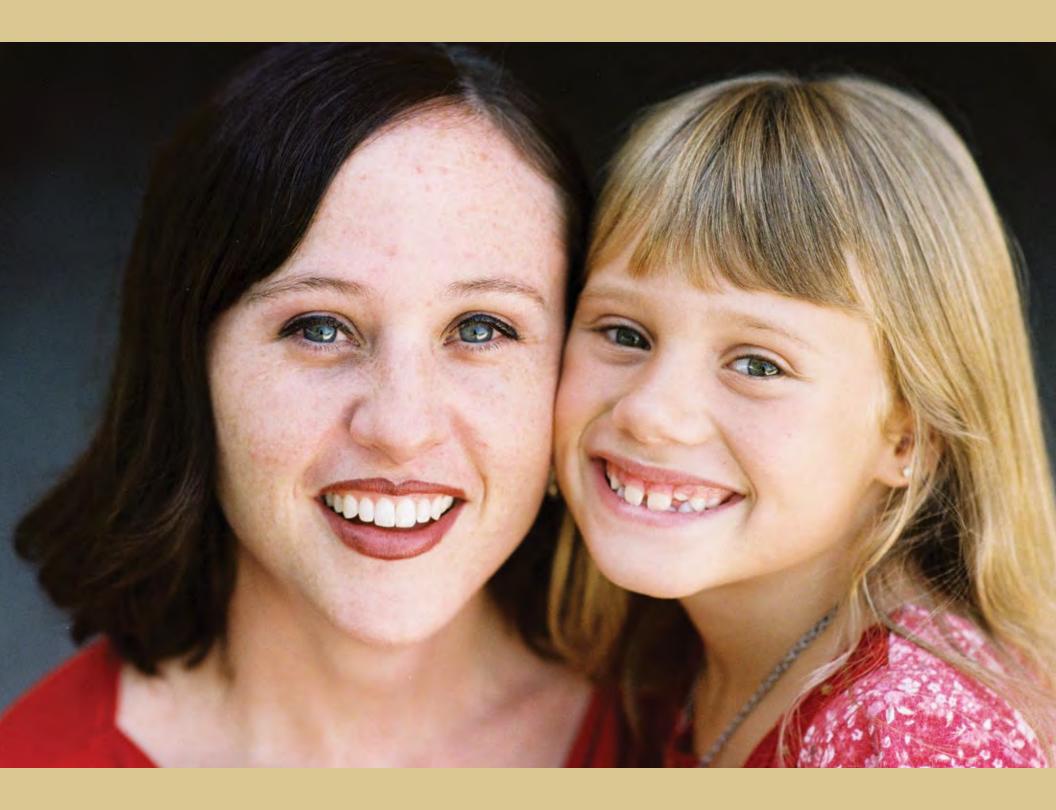
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