

OLIVE CREST®

Strong Families, Safe Kids



47
years of service

Serving at-risk children and families in California, Nevada,
and the Pacific Northwest since 1973.

Annual Impact Report

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Dear Vision Partner,

Words cannot adequately express my deep gratitude and appreciation for all you have done for the children and families we serve. Thank you!

Your involvement has helped 24,804 children and families find safety, stability, and hope for a healthy, productive future. That's an increase of 39% over last year.

We wish child abuse and neglect was not a growing problem, but we are fiercely committed to solving it. Because **Child Abuse Stops Here®**. With me. With you.

All of us can do something to prevent child abuse, reclaim the lives of children who have been abused, and restore strong families.

Our plan is to raise up thousands of families, friends, and champions to join us in putting an end to child abuse. Together, we can surround children and families in crisis with love, resources, and support.

We won't stop until there are zero reports of abuse and the pool of children waiting for safe homes is non-existent.

You are a vital part of this bold plan. Thank you for helping to making it a reality.

We are grateful for what you've already done, how you've joined us in the fight, and for your continued partnership. I will keep you updated with good news on our progress as we move forward **together...because Child Abuse Stops Here®!**



Thank you again for all you do for Olive Crest children and families.

Donald Verleur II

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CEO



Together we transform the lives of at-risk kids through the healing power of family.

Our vision

A strong family for every child

Our mission

Mission Statement: Olive Crest is dedicated to Preventing child abuse, to Treating and Educating at-risk children and to Preserving the family...
One Life at a Time®.

Our values

Truth:

Honesty, Courage, and Respect

Grace:

Compassion, Forgiveness, and Empowerment

Servanthood:

Self-Discipline, Responsibility, and Giving

CHILD ABUSE STOPS HERE®

When children and parents in crisis get support and are connected in their community, the cycle of child abuse can be broken—permanently.

Jonah was only 4 years old when his mother lost her job. Emotionally and financially overwhelmed with caring for Jonah and his three brothers, his mother was on the brink of a depressive break. She desperately needed help.

Thankfully, she got connected with Olive Crest through her church, and a volunteer family took in her boys while she gained stability, received counseling, and learned how to manage her stress. She stayed in close contact with the volunteer family, and eventually was able to take her sons back and care for them.

Child abuse often happens when parents are isolated, without resources, and are under extreme stress. But, with your help, we can prevent kids like Jonah from becoming victims of a volatile home life or having to enter the child welfare system.

"I feel 100% confident in Olive Crest's vision to prevent child abuse. It's a vision that is backed with experience and a model that's proven."

- Jim Woodside,
Board of Directors

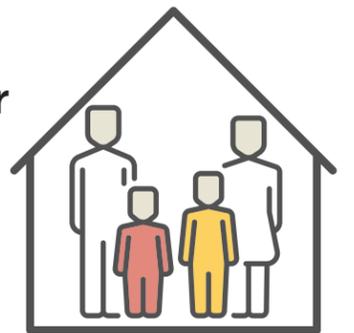
We know abuse often starts when a family is isolated and circumstances get rough . . . a lost job, a difficult move, addiction, a mental health crisis, separation or divorce. All of these and more are triggers that can escalate into abuse.

You're helping Olive Crest

equip, connect, and support families, churches, and neighborhoods to prevent child abuse. We offer tangible services to families in crisis, giving children caring homes while parents work to stabilize their lives—in most cases, preventing the need for a child to enter the system altogether.

Our goal last year was to provide **740,000** safe days. We nearly **doubled** that number with your help.

Your support provided



1,262,034
safe days during the past year.

RECLAIM YOUNG LIVES

Kid's lives are being reclaimed through the healing power of family.



Dwayne

was just 6 years old when his parents abandoned him. After years in the system, he aged out at 18. Without help, Dwayne would have had nowhere to go and no one to help guide him. Sadly, kids like this often end up homeless, incarcerated, or worse.

But because of partners like you, Dwayne was surrounded by caring Olive Crest staff to mentor him. He was provided housing, financial counseling, and other life skills training, allowing him to attend college full-time and play football. Today, Dwayne has a Master's in Social Work and has just signed with the Pittsburgh Steelers, a life-long dream.

You are helping to reclaim young lives like Dwayne's every day.



Dwayne getting ready for the Pittsburgh Steelers training camp.

"My husband and I are so impressed with the work Olive Crest is doing to end child abuse, to restore families and to break the cycle, once and for all."

- Jen Lilley, foster and adoptive parent, and actress

The child welfare system is overwhelmed.

Too many children are shuffled from home to home—or stuck in institutions—never getting enough stability to thrive or become all that God created them to be. Without help, these kids are often doomed to repeat the mistakes of their parents. They're likely to fall into long-term homelessness and despair.

With your partnership, Olive Crest finds loving, stable homes for children in need. What's more, we offer help to reclaim their lives from the trauma of abuse by providing counseling by trained professionals, as well as educational support and life-skills training.

Healing and redemption are at the core of what Olive Crest does—and you're an essential part of it.



RESTORE STRONG FAMILIES

Families can be restored when the cycle of child abuse is broken.

Jenny only knew instability and abuse, being left for days at a time, and moving constantly...often calling her mother's 1979 Pinto "home." She looked away from the things her mother did for money, and dumpster diving became a necessary skill to survive. After running away for the third time, Jenny was placed with Olive Crest where she finally had the stability, safety, and love she craved.

Today, Jenny is a mom of four and is getting her Master's in Trauma Counseling to serve others in need. She says, "I'm 41 now and still love how Olive Crest helped me to break the cycle, and how you've changed future generations through me. Thank you is not enough, but it's what I have to give now."



Jenny with Olive Crest house mates and (above) with her family in Arizona.

"Working with families to restore a healthy and loving environment is critical to preventing the cycle of child abuse. We've seen this firsthand in our work with families in crisis, and are so grateful for Olive Crest's support and partnership in serving these families."

- Andrew Hartman, Safe Family dad and coach

Our vision is that every child would be raised and nurtured in a strong, stable, and loving family, surrounded by friends, church, and supportive community.

Our hope is that every family or child in crisis would be supported through that community to reduce the potential for abuse and neglect. In other words, our goal is to restore families and stop the cycle of abuse.

When this isn't possible, we do everything it takes to find a stable home for innocent children who are caught in the crossfire. Whether it be adoption, long-term foster care, or reunification with their family of origin, we work to restore stability and loving care for kids in a strong family.

Only with your support are we able to accomplish this important and life-changing work.

You have helped us serve kids and families with the highest levels of quality care.

FAMILY AND CHILD SATISFACTION

92%

We received a **92%** satisfaction score on our Olive Crest annual children and family survey



STABLE CHILD PLACEMENT SUCCESS

99%

The national average for stable placement for a child is **74.5%**. Olive Crest surpassed this with **99% SUCCESS!**

THANK YOU!

You made it possible.

This past year, **with your help**, Olive Crest was able to significantly ramp up efforts to stop child abuse, reclaim young lives, and restore strong families. And we're just getting started.

The hard truth is that each year, there are more than **4 million reports of child abuse in the U.S.**—and that number continues to grow. **But together, our fierce hope for kids will ensure that Child Abuse Stops Here®.** Our goal is to increase the number of children and families we serve to over 25,000. We hope you'll continue to be part of this bold plan.

Income

Public Support	\$47,471,667	73.38%
Olive Crest Academy	\$7,524,137	11.63%
Private Support	\$9,698,385	14.99%
Total	\$64,694,189	

Expenses

PREVENT CHILD ABUSE	\$3,934,524	7.29%
RECLAIM YOUNG LIVES	\$34,072,087	63.14%
RESTORE STRONG FAMILIES	\$15,594,188	29.57%
Administration	\$4,742,378	7.56%
Development	\$4,014,071	6.4%
Total	\$62,357,248	



For more Impact Report financial information, visit www.olivecrest.org/about/annual-report.



“The reason I support Olive Crest monthly is that I hate to see the most vulnerable and helpless, especially children, suffer violence and injustice. We need to stop the vicious cycle of abuse by protecting and restoring them with God’s help.”

- Etsuko Cook,
Kids at Heart donor
for 8 years

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IT MUST STOP.

Reports of abuse are increasing. **And children continue to die...5 every day.** We are beyond grieved by the continuing stream of horrific stories of unimaginable suffering, abandonment, and loss for innocent children. I know you are, too.

It is unconscionable.

But we believe there is hope. **We know there is a solution.** And we know that with your help, we can end child abuse once and for all by preventing child abuse in the first place, reclaiming young lives at stake, and restoring families to health.

Our resolve is strong. We will not stop until every child is safe in a strong and loving family. And we will not stop until families on the brink are shored up by loving communities to help them stabilize and become healthy.

This year, we are launching our Child Abuse Stops Here[®] campaign.

We are boldly calling everyone to do something to put a stop to this national tragedy. You can learn more at www.olivecrest.org/stopabuse.

Your continued partnership will mean we can raise up more churches, volunteers, and communities to stand in the gap for over 25,000 more children and families in crisis. There's a lot to be done. Let's get at it. Because Child Abuse Stops Here[®].

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