In a year filled with economic challenges for so many, Youth In Need continued to provide the highest quality of services to the largest number of children, teens and families ever. But the true impact in 2009 was found at the most personal level.

- A homeless teen found the courage to seek shelter.
- A single dad found a job because his preschool age son has a stable place to be during the day.
- A pregnant teen learned how to be the best parent for her child.
- Through the support and encouragement from her child’s Head Start home visitor, a New American mom learned English, earned her GED, got her driver’s license and studied for her U.S. citizenship.
- An elementary school student learned about caring for his community in an after-school program and put his knowledge to use by cleaning up his neighborhood.
- Staff continue to believe in the potential of every child, teen and family and witness their resiliency despite challenges.

In 2009, the “big picture” for Youth In Need revealed eight programs in five counties reaching more than 11,000 children, teens and families, but it happened one person, one family at a time. And it would not have happened without each and every contribution from our community supporters.
2009 Financial Report

Revenue

- Grants (53%)
- Government Contracts (37%)
- United Way (2%)
- Client Fees (1%)
- Contributions (7%)
  (including net Special Events)

Total Revenue $13,404,249

Expenses

- Total Program Services (87%)
- Management and General (11%)
- Fundraising (2%)

Total Expenses $13,346,283

2009 Year-End Net Assets $3,752,551

Financials are based on 2009 audited results from Brown Smith Wallace, pending approval from the Audit Committee and Board of Directors. An approved audited financial report will be available in June online at www.youthinneed.org.

From the Board Chair and President and CEO

How often have we heard the saying, “That was then, this is now?” At Youth In Need, comparing then and now is often a good thing.

Recently, we heard from a woman who shared that more than 20 years ago she was in severe crisis and stayed in our Emergency Shelter for teens. She explained that the brief time at Youth In Need had changed the direction of her life. She now is a counselor for children, helping them navigate crises of their own and offering support so similar to what she received all those years ago at Youth In Need.

Heartwarming stories of transformation—comparing then and now—leave no doubt our continued dedication to children and families will pay similar dividends in the future. We know there is a huge return on our investment in the children and families we serve and likewise your investment in us.

In 2009, when the economic climate resulted in a reduction of services for many community organizations, our commitment to the programs we provide remained steady. Because of your generosity, we avoided a reduction in services for those who needed our help more than ever. Through your support, you helped a homeless teen find his way off the streets into a safe environment. You offered a family in crisis an opportunity to find support and learn the skills to overcome any future crisis. You gave a preschool child from a family in need a head start in learning and development.

In 2009, you helped Youth In Need touch the lives of 11,371 children, teens and families in so many different ways. A total of 310 youth received shelter when they needed a safe haven, and nearly 180 pregnant and parenting teens received support and guidance through the Teen Parent Program.

An amazing 1,600 children in low income families gained the skills and education to be better prepared for kindergarten (and their parents gained the skills to be better parents), while more than 900 at-risk elementary students enjoyed safe before- and after-school activities.

Ultimately, the number of children, teens and families helped at Youth In Need still boils down to changing lives one person at a time. And for that, we must thank you—our donors, sponsors, community advocates, volunteers and of course staff. Your unwavering commitment to our community’s most vulnerable families is our most important asset. Thank you for being true friends of Youth In Need!
**Annual Highlights**

**February**
Youth In Need kicked off its $35 for 35 Campaign, where donors contributed $35 in celebration of the agency’s 35th anniversary. The campaign raised more than $11,000.

**March**
- The 22nd annual Celebration of Youth honored Paul and Gwen Middeke and raised more than $270,000.
- Safe Place celebrated National Safe Place Week with an open house at the Emergency Shelter.

**April**
- Youth In Need dedicated a Magnolia tree in memory of friend and co-worker Dana Noonan, who passed away in 2008. The agency named April 6 (Noonan’s birthday) as Dana’s Day.
- Youth In Need’s Head Start and Early Head Start program celebrated Week of the Young Child with an art exhibit, special lunch, music performances and field trips. The weeklong celebration honored young children and thanked the teachers and other special role models who made a difference in a young child’s life.
- Shower of Love, St. Charles County’s third annual countywide baby shower, raised $60,000 in product donations, cash and gift cards for Youth In Need and three other agencies that serve teen parents.

**May**
- A review team from the U.S. Office of Head Start gave Youth In Need’s St. Louis City Head Start program a “perfect score” (an uncommon occurrence in Head Start programs) in its review of the agency’s performance against 2,000 performance standards. The reviewers also touted Youth In Need’s program, which serves hundreds of non-English speaking refugee families from dozens of countries, as a national model for Head Start services to a highly diverse population.

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Believing in the power of potential, Youth In Need’s mission is to provide nurturing environments and educational opportunities so children, youth and families will find safety and hope, achieve their goals, and build a positive future.
Community Involvement

Youth In Need's impact wouldn't reach as far without generous donations from so many. In 2009, more than 750 volunteers logged more than 10,400 hours serving in agency programs.

Whether a group comes for a one-time project or individuals commit to an ongoing role, volunteers are an enormous help. Tasks vary from organizing donations and planting flowers to teaching life skills to teens or numbers and colors to toddlers. Volunteers' skills and talents expand Youth In Need's reach and enrich the lives of so many.

Having so many programs and sites also means the agency has an extensive list of supplies. Each year, donors ensure every child and family has the tools to succeed.

In 2009, supporters donated more than $20,000 in school supplies to the Adopt-A-Class drive, which guarantees book bags and classrooms are stocked for learning. The community also donated more than $61,000 in new toys and games to Youth In Need’s annual Holiday Drive. All of this generosity is wrapped up in an additional $200,000 of miscellaneous supplies!

The community also showed its commitment to children and teens by participating in the agency's Safe Place program. Safe Place is a national program that partners with community businesses to offer a temporary safe haven to youth in crisis. These businesses act as an entry point for youth to access Youth In Need's services. In 2009, 25 new businesses signed on as Safe Place sites, pushing the total to more than 325. In addition, 112 presentations and community events educated children, teens and parents about Safe Place.

June
The Saint Louis Symphony partnered with the St. Louis City Head Start Center to provide an educational music program, where musicians developed classroom activities based on the Center’s curriculum.

August
- Residents from the Emergency Shelter and Transitional Living Program volunteered for “Saturday Jubilee,” a countywide food drive, as part of a service-learning project.
- Youth In Need’s 12th annual Golfing for Youth Benefit Tournament raised nearly $100,000.

September
Youth In Need piloted the ICAN Health Care Institute for families in Head Start and Early Head Start, designed by UCLA Anderson School of Management and sponsored by Johnson & Johnson. Two educational sessions gave parents a better understanding of medical information to enhance effective communication with their health care providers.

October
- State Farm Insurance held its fourth annual State Farm Insurance Charity Scramble, raising more than $30,000 to benefit Youth In Need.

November
- Youth In Need honored its donors and volunteers at its annual Thanks for Giving reception. The event paid special recognition to several award honorees for their involvement throughout the agency.
- Youth In Need recognized the plight of runaway and homeless youth with Out of the Shadows, a special theater production. Street Outreach Manager Kendra Elliott and teens participating in the St. Louis County Youth Programs wrote the script, which included stories about homelessness, drug abuse, sexual exploitation, suicide, family conflict and GLBT issues. Youth coordinated all aspects of the production, including directing, set design, music and costumes.

Annual Highlights, from page 3

President and CEO Jim Braun recognizes Cathy Glosier with the 2009 James A. Braun Champion of Children award.
Turning Annual Into Perpetual

I wish I could give more to my favorite charities.” It’s a common refrain, especially in the current economic climate. But what if there were a way to remember the nonprofit organizations most important to you—and do so in a bigger way than what’s possible each year?

Welcome to the wonderful world of planned giving, where charitable contributions take a little more work but can provide valuable tax benefits, income for life, financial benefits to heirs—and invaluable support to a worthy charity. If that support is directed to a permanent endowment whereby the charity uses only the income, the gift also can last forever.

With planned giving, one size doesn’t fit all, and that means there’s a gift that will definitely work for everybody. It might be a bequest, which is a gift that you make in your will by leaving a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate or a specific asset to a charity of your choice. Life insurance policies, retirement accounts and other specific assets can provide particular tax advantages when donated now or left to a nonprofit in your will. And there also are ways to make a gift to a charity right now that will provide you with income for life. Many people even donate their homes and enjoy all the rights of ownership for the rest of their lives.

For some, using planned giving vehicles means they can make a significant contribution to their favorite nonprofit while living so that they can see their dollars at work. For others, the right kind of gift built into their estate planning documents can mean leaving a gift which is larger than anything they could have imagined to a charity they know will continue to do good deeds for a long time to come.

Whatever the scenario, we hope you will consider Youth In Need in your plans. We also can help, confidentially and without obligation. For more details, visit online at www.youthinneed.org and click on Giving & Volunteering and then Planned Giving, or call Rob Muschany, Vice President of Development and Marketing, at 636-757-9348.

Memorials and Tributes

Memorials and tributes are a meaningful portion of the individual gifts Youth In Need receives each year. We appreciate the following donors who remembered Youth In Need even as they reached out to friends and loved ones in times of joy and sorrow. (The list includes gifts received between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2009, and does not include brick purchases.)

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See Memorials, page 11
Youth In Need provides Head Start and Early Head Start services to children and families in St. Charles, Lincoln, Warren and Montgomery Counties. A substantial amount of federal funding supports the program. Reported activities are for the 2008-2009 program year, unless noted.

**Kindergarten Preparation**

The agency uses an extensive outcome tool that enables staff to assess children enrolled in the program. This tool pinpoints a child’s developmental status and then sets attainable goals for him or her. Staff created the tool by compiling information from a variety of sources, including kindergarten readiness standards from the school districts Youth In Need serves.

Youth In Need also introduced the CLASS (Classroom Assessment Scoring System) observation tool into Head Start classrooms. The tool evaluates social relationships created in classrooms which works well with Conscious Discipline, the social-emotional curriculum followed in the Head Start and Early Head Start program. The Conscious Discipline curriculum teaches children social coping skills such as composure, assertiveness, choices, encouragement, empathy, consequences and positive intent.

In addition, area school districts are a critical component to kindergarten readiness. In Warren County, Youth In Need opened a Head Start classroom in the Daniel Boone Elementary School. Youth In Need also collaborates with area school districts in order to ease the child’s transition from the Head Start program to the school. A three-part transition plan is completed, and families receive a kindergarten-transition booklet and resources to ease the process.

**Parent Involvement Activities**

- The ICAN Health Care Institute taught 130 families how to effectively communicate with health care providers and to reduce trips to the emergency room by learning how to care for minor childhood illnesses at home.

- A Youth In Need parent represented the agency at the National Head Start Association Parent Leadership Conference.

- The Trading Post Incentive Program offered parents an opportunity to earn points for their involvement in the program. Parents redeem their points for household items, clothing, books and toys.

- The Fathers and Children Together (FACT) Program, a partnership between Youth In Need and Parents As Teachers National Center, provided group support to fathers and involved males. In Head Start, fathers/males were involved in 26%, or 107 of the 407 children served. In Early Head Start, fathers/males were involved in 33%, or 88 of the 264 served.)

- Youth In Need produced and distributed the *Family Times* monthly newsletter.

- The Parent Committee offers parent support, training, education and volunteer opportunities.

- Parents are offered an opportunity to serve on Policy Council (19 currently do), the program’s governing body, and subcommittees.

- Youth In Need sponsored the St. Louis Male Leadership Conference, and eight fathers/males from the program attended.

**By the Numbers...**

**Enrollment**

**Head Start**


- Total number of children served: 509
- Number of children who received dental exams: 314 (61.7%)
- Number of children who received physical exams: 394 (77.4%)

**Early Head Start**

(Jan. 1, 2009 – Dec 31, 2009)

- Total number of children served: 436
- Number of children who received physical exams: 322 (74%)

**Number of Families Who Received Holiday Assistance**

- 249 families received assistance from Sts. Joachim and Ann, Youth In Need, Morning Star Church, Shop with a Cop and Shop with a Deputy.

**Number of Children Who Experienced Homelessness**

- Head Start: 47 of 408 (12%)
- Early Head Start: 42 of 264 (16%)

**Number of Parent Volunteers**

578

**2009 Financials**

**Revenue**

- Donor support: $20,255.70
- Fees: $413,164.78
- Grants: $5,137,675.07
- Other: $7,100

**Expenses**

- Salaries & Benefits: $3,793,197.72
- Program Expenses: $1,317,975.97

**Program and Financial Audit**

Reviewers evaluated Youth In Need’s program against 2,000 standards and compliance areas. The team determined that the program had no deficiencies and seven findings. The findings were related to the monitoring of community partner sites. Upon standard follow-up, all findings were found to be corrected.

Youth In Need’s auditors Brown Smith Wallace issued an unqualified opinion in both the financial statement audit and the A-133 audit and had no findings or journal entry adjustments to report.
St. Louis City Head Start Report

Youth In Need provides Head Start services to children and families in St. Louis City. A substantial amount of federal funding supports the program. The following report includes activities for the 2008-2009 program year, unless noted.

By the Numbers...

Enrollment
- Total number of children served: 489
- Number of children who received dental exams: 447 (91%)
- Number of children who received physical exams: 463 (95%)

Number of Families Who Participated in the Family Medicine Clinic
- 390 children received H1N1 vaccine
- 195 children received medical care through the clinic

Number of Parent Volunteers
445 parents

Male Involvement
80 (17%) fathers/males were involved in the lives of their children

Number of Children Who Experienced Homelessness
14 of 489 families (2.9%) living in shelters

Number of Families Who Received Holiday Assistance
All families received assistance.

2009 Financials
Revenue
- Donor Support: $9,858
- Fees: $109,674
- Grants: $2,753,495

Expenses
- Salaries & Benefits: $2,015,286
- Program Expenses: $642,072
- Other: $7,100

Kindergarten Preparation
Youth In Need uses Creative Curriculum, a research-based curricula that enables staff to track children’s progress. This outcome tool enables staff to quickly assess children in the program and provides suggestions for activities to meet each child’s individual developmental goals. It allows staff to evaluate each child’s progress and then set goals that are developmentally appropriate.

Youth In Need introduced the CLASS (Classroom Assessment Scoring System) observation tool into classrooms. The tool evaluates social relationships created in classrooms. The team uses a Care Team approach along with a positive behavior support system. To support the system, St. Louis Learning Disability Association and Washington University assist in observations and interventions to support children and families. The program has a shared collaboration with St. Louis Public Schools, implementing a behavior checklist to screen children in the area of social-emotional development. Children also receive on-site private therapy from several agencies in the community.

Positive Support for Kids is a private therapy group, providing therapy in speech, language, fine and gross motor skills and cognition. They provide therapies to children who are either waiting for an evaluation with the public schools or did not qualify to receive services through the public schools. The program monitors and provides interventions to 51 children who need additional supports.

Children have a three-step transition process into St. Louis Public, Private and Charter Schools to allow for a smooth transition to kindergarten. To further support kindergarten preparation, Youth In Need has developed agreements with eight agencies to meet the individual needs of children.

Parent Involvement Activities
- Youth In Need opened the Institute for Family Medicine Clinic, located at the St. Louis City Head Start Center for children and families without insurance.
- St. Louis University and Sanford Brown nursing students conducted in-home and on-site medical training for parents and staff.
- The Parent Recognition Program, developed by Grace Hill’s Policy Council, recognized parents for their involvement in the program.
- The St. Louis City Head Start Center held an international luncheon for community representatives and parents.
- Parents received a quarterly newsletter.
- The Parent Committee offered parent support, training, education and volunteer opportunities.
- Parents had the opportunity to participate in parent workshops about transitioning from Head Start to kindergarten.
- Parents served on subcommittees: By-laws, ARRA Grant Review, Self-Assessment, Care Team, Health Services Advisory and Social Advisory.
- Youth In Need co-sponsored the St. Louis Male Leadership Conference.
- All families were involved in the goal-setting process.

- The St. Louis City Center held breakfasts for parents throughout the school year.
- The program held parent-guided activities at the St. Louis Zoo, Missouri History Museum, Missouri Botanical Garden, Grants Farm, Saint Louis Science Center, Magic House, Buder and Carpenter Libraries and Soulard Market.
- Families had access to finance education and free tax-preparation services.

Program and Financial Audit
After reviewing Youth In Need’s program, the National Office of Head Start issued a perfect score with no recommendations or findings out of 2,000 standards and compliance areas.

Youth In Need’s auditors Brown Smith Wallace issued an unqualified opinion in both the financial statement audit and the A-133 audit and had no findings or journal entry adjustments to report.
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