

COMMUNITY

Living SERVICES

Your Life, Your Way

**ANNUAL
REPORT
TO THE
COMMUNITY**

2018

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MISSION:

To assist and advocate for each person to have supports they want and need:

- To exercise control and authority over their lives
- To live a life of freedom, opportunity and relationships as family, friends and neighbors
- To share in full community membership and citizenship



VISION:

People will fully participate in their communities and have a quality of life which comes from freedom and its responsibilities, the authority to make their own life decisions and the financial resources to implement them.

CLS does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, or gender.

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President's Letter

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Over nearly 40 years, CLS has seen immense change in the mental health field. What started as the simple idea that the best place for individuals with disabilities was in the community rather than an institution, now looks back at years of success. We see more people moving into their own homes every day. We see community engagement. We see friends, married couples, neighbors, and home-owners.

It is when we see this success that it becomes more important than ever to reflect on our mission and make sure that we're driving it forward rather than going with the proverbial flow of the industry. CLS is proud to stay at the forefront of progress in our field, partnering with organizations like The Arc of Michigan, The Michigan Assisted Living Association, and many others, to ensure that the voices of our best advocates are amplified by our example.



One thing is always certain with our industry and that is change. I can assure you that CLS has been around for every major change since the early 1980s and we plan to be here for many more years. What we've learned over the decades is that regardless of what changes around us, be it political, sociological, or environmental, our Mission needs to move forward. While at times this will become difficult, Community Living Services will always put those we support first in our minds.

Warm Regards,

Jim Dehem
President & CEO

Success Stories

STAR SHINING BRIGHT

While we believe that everyone receiving services through CLS is a superstar, sometimes we're lucky enough to have real life stars in our midst. There are few better examples than Jennifer Siewicki from Oakland County.

Jennifer enjoys a busy life, when she's not working for the City of Novi, she's spending much of her time riding her bike, skiing (pictured below), and horseback riding. She's attended college courses at Schoolcraft College, Madonna University, and Oakland University where she spent three years on campus. She's also very active with the 4th Wall Theater Company, a Metro Detroit-Based theater company that works with actors of all ability levels.

Acting has become a favorite outlet for Jennifer over the years and Jennifer has seen some tremendous success by working hard and studying her craft.

Not satisfied with a simple life in Michigan, Jennifer and her family set their sights on Hollywood. Packing up their entire life into an RV and moving to California for 7 months, the Siewicki family was "all in" for chasing the dream. In that short 7 months, Jennifer found success with a few parts in commercials and even appearances on Comedy Central's *Drunk History* as well as ABC's *Speechless*.

She doesn't let her TV credits go to her head though, crediting her parents, Larry and Carolyn, with much of her success. As her mother said in *The Joys of Jennifer* (a book written by Carolyn in 2013) "I think all of your love really inspired me to do more than I can, and I love you".

Beginning her life as a "medically fragile" child, Jennifer has certainly exceeded expectations. She's proven herself as a very capable athlete, volunteer, student, and

employee. She's met heroes (pictured on the left with famous "Muppeteer" Caroll Spiney) and become a hero to others. Without a doubt, Jennifer has certainly done much more than the average person and looks forward to future success.



Success Stories

OLD FRIENDS STICK TOGETHER

It's always great to see people living where they want and with whom they want to live. It's even better to see it work out for such a long time. When Orpheus ("Opie"), Lavene (Wimpy), and William started living together, the rent was affordable for the three gentlemen, who range in age from late 50s to nearly 100. However, a change in budgeting put them in jeopardy of losing the best friends and roommates anyone could ask for.

That's when the owner of the home, Jerome Tocco, stepped in and said "we're not splitting these guys up". CLS is proud to have partners like Jerome, people who care more about human beings than rent checks.

Thanks to Mr. Tocco's generosity and understanding, three "old pals" get to stay together and continue living the lives they choose to live. It's just another example of the type of people and businesses that are in the CLS network.



TRAGEDY AND TRIUMPH

What do you do when tragedy hits? Do you give up, or do you move forward with some help from your community? Andrew Gromaski answered this question in the best way possible.

Starting with Community Work Opportunities in early 2016, Andrew wanted help finding work to become more self-sufficient. He quickly learned the skills necessary for success, beginning with a job at CWO and moving on to a Goodwill Retail store in Canton. He loves his job and excels every day.

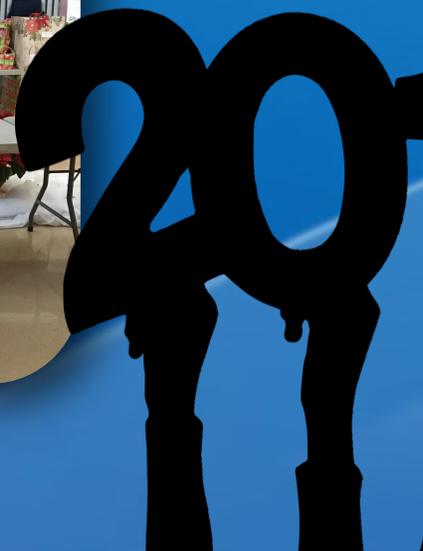
When tragedy struck in the form of a terrible housefire, Andrew's support system quickly found him temporary housing ensuring that he and his mother didn't need to worry about having a place to live. Just knowing that there are supportive agencies like CLS, CWO, and MRS relieves a lot of stress and let's Andrew focus on the things that are most important for his future. What's next? Andrew is set to start attending the Michigan Career and Technical Institute in June of 2019. There's no telling what will come after his college experience, but we can be sure it'll be HIS choice.



CLS Peer Mentor, Ray Schuholz, brought his story to more people than ever before in his webinar “Ray of Hope: Never Give Up”. The webinar, viewed by hundreds of people throughout North America, recounted the last 40 years of mental health history through Ray’s eyes.



For over a decade, when CLS has need of community partnership around the holidays, we’ve got no better “friends” than those at Yazaki North America. Pictured: Robb Drzewicki and Sylvia Brooks picking up gifts for adopted holiday families.



In Pictures



Internationally renowned Italian scholar, Simone Visentin, made a special trip to CLS in October while visiting with members of the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute and Wayne State faculty. Dr. Visentin seemed very interested in Self-Determination and the work of our Peer Mentors.



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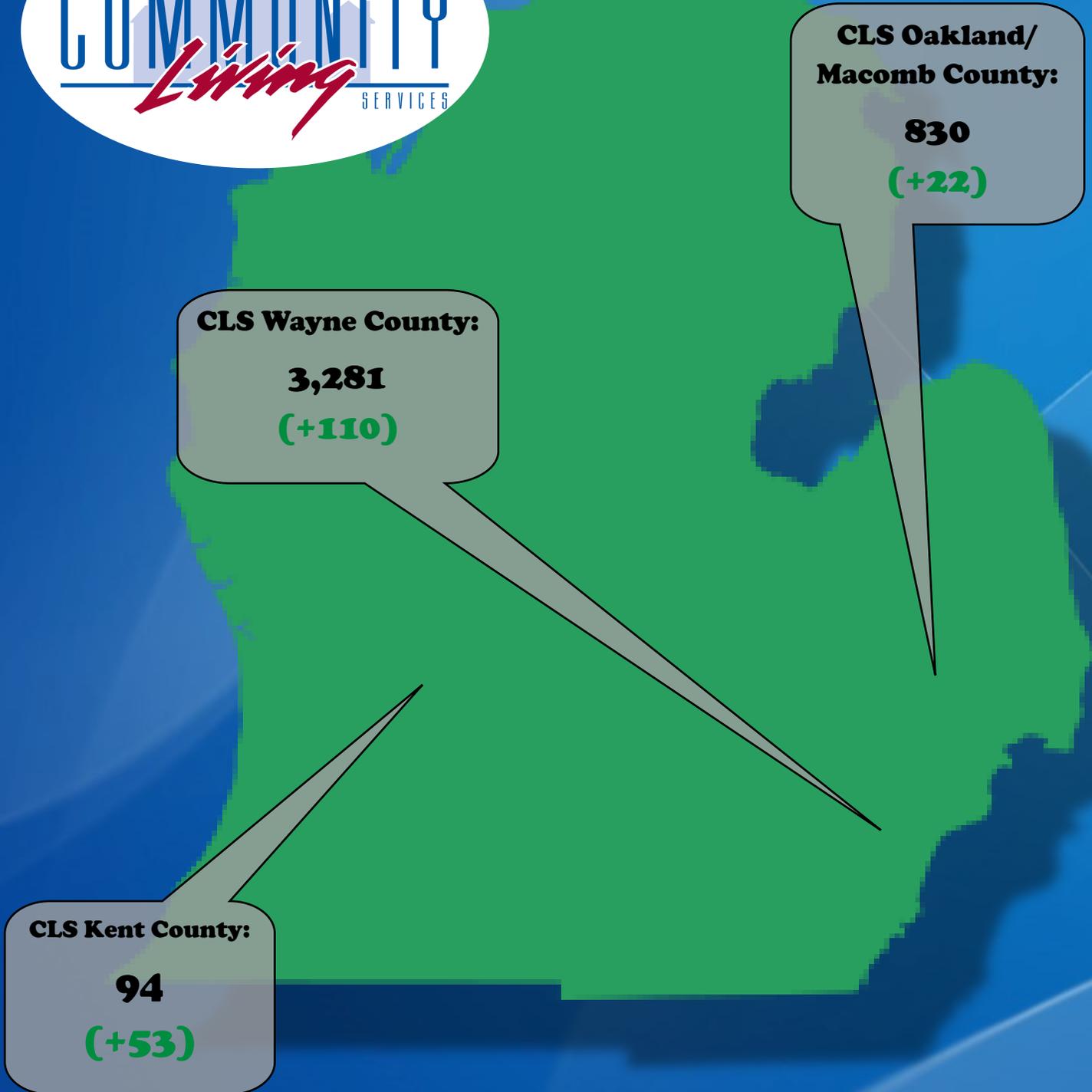


Another year, another amazing Evening With Friends celebration. This year, along with a number of exceptional individuals, we honored the Gonzalez brothers (pictured on the left with Andre Robinson and Roop Raj) and their team at Numotion. Over the years, their team has ALWAYS gone the extra mile to support individuals in our community.

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Growth

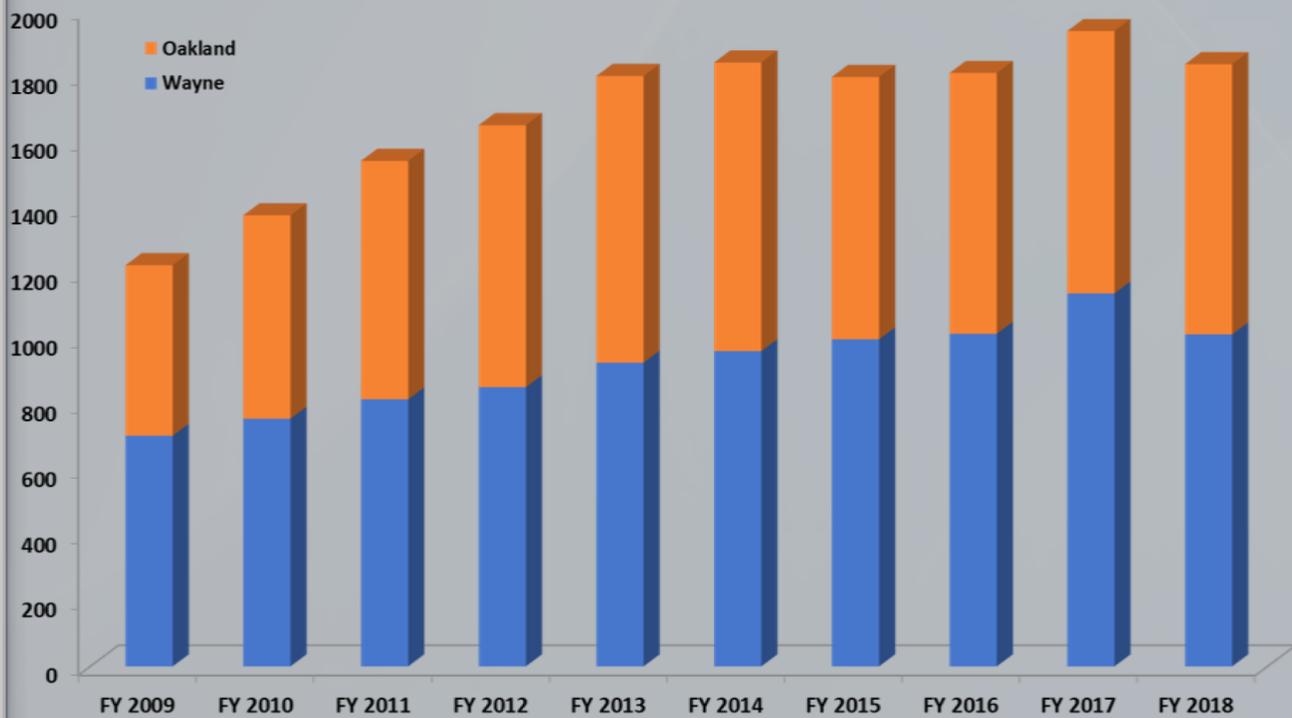


Financials

	2016	2017	2018
REVENUES:			
Community Mental Health Contracted Revenues	\$146,839,473	\$151,344,834	\$135,346,586
Carve-Out and Pass-Through	1,072,287	1,213,304	1,531,713
Cost Settlement	842,409	4,047,082	-
Grant Revenues	141,732	350,000	197,232
Interest Income	5,573	15,933	42,224
Other Income	962,253	228,588	572,770
Total Revenues:	\$149,863,727	\$157,199,741	\$155,690,525
EXPENDITURES:			
Salaries, Wages, and Benefits	16,099,996	15,380,292	14,982,129
Professional Fees/Contracted Services	5,364,134	6,528,915	6,475,240
Administrative Expense	2,423,239	2,480,066	2,459,224
Occupancy	1,238,001	1,236,947	420,488
Provider Payments	107,489,893	114,308,131	116,296,539
Home Leases	2,089,317	1,952,067	659,125
Maintenance and Repair (Homes)	1,132,945	839,180	465,332
Other Member Related	4,293,179	4,224,443	3,773,214
Day Programs/Vocational	9,366,737	10,189,899	10,330,551
Depreciation	127,657	116,515	417,570
Other Expenses	34,640	15,155	13,244
Extraordinary Expense/(Contra Expense)	0	0	0
Total Expenses:	\$149,659,738	\$157,272,210	\$156,292,656
Change in Net Assets	203,989	(72,469)	(602,131)
Net Assets/(Deficit) Beginning of Period	\$3,036,514	\$3,240,503	\$8,268,199
Net Assets/(Deficit) End of Period	\$3,240,503	\$3,168,034	\$7,666,068
Average Per Member Per Month Revenue (PMPM)	\$3,146	\$3,301	\$3,082

Personal Growth

Self-Determination Growth in Individual Budgets

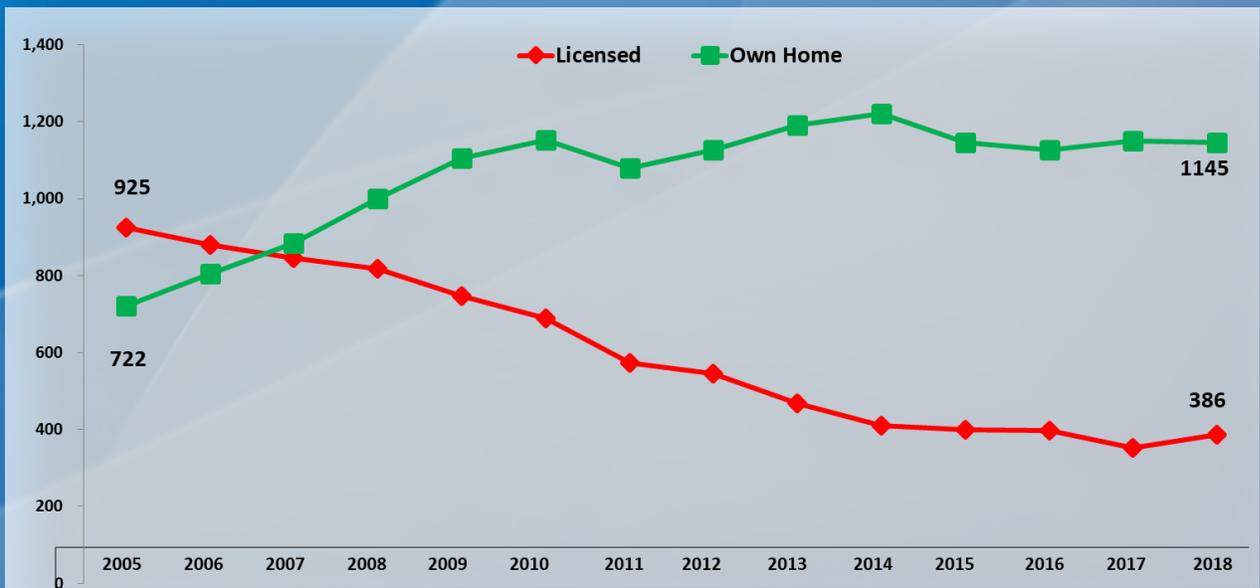


SELF-DETERMINATION NUMBERS

Alternatives to Guardianship - 20 Year Trend CLS, Wayne Division



Right of Tenancy - 13 Year Trend CLS, Wayne Division



Note: In the early 1990s CLS supported 1450 people living in 250 licensed (6 bed) homes.
As of 11/12/2018, 397 people live in 78 group homes.



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