

## A Window Between Worlds 2017 Annual Report

Artwork on cover by an AWBW art workshop participant. Her Windows Program Facilitator shared:

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## **Dear Friends**,

Brenda\* is a 27 year old with two
Byoung children. When Brenda began
counseling, she had a difficult time focusing
on self and thinking clearly. The art
that she created during our 4th session
demonstrates her ability to focus on herself.
Brenda shared a brief description of her
art called 'Blossom': 'The empty, blank
space represents my onlookers. I am the
individual on the bottom left-hand corner.
For once, I am not looking at the others
and I'm not paying mind to their thoughts/

opinions. I am focused on my inner core and allowing it to grow, flourish, and blossom.'"



hanks to your support, A Window Between Worlds' healing arts program continued to thrive in 2017. Over 32,000 adults and children participated in art workshops at 210 human service agencies across the country. And our network of 705 facilitators continued to innovate how they incorporate creating art into the services provided at their organizations.

Our art workshops are a space of safety and creativity that open the possibilities of expression, communication, and connection. As one 15-year old participant shared, "I am beginning to see how the art lets me be me." Ninety-five percent of adult participants self-reported that participating in a workshop allowed them to more easily express themselves. For additional 2017 evaluation results see page 7. For a gallery of participant artwork see pages 18-19.

This was also a year of tremendous learning for A Window Between Worlds as we developed our Strategic Plan for 2018-2020. As part of this process, we looked closely at our history in the field of domestic violence, along with current partnerships with organizations reaching people who have experienced different types of violence and trauma. This reflection helped us to identify key goals for the future.

A year to think and plan has poised us to deepen our partnerships in the community and achieve long-term sustainability. We thank you for your continued support as we seek to be the best that we can be.

With deep appreciation,

Audrey Salzburg U Chief Executive Officer

Lina Paredes Board President

\*Name changed to protect identity.

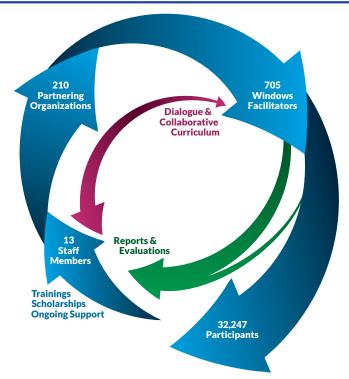
## **Our Mission**

To empower individuals and communities impacted by violence and trauma through a transformative healing arts program.

### **Our Vision**

We view art as a catalyst to release trauma, build resilience and ignite social change. When individuals create art in a safe community they can be heard and respected — replacing violence and shame with safety and hope.

## **Our Community of Practice**



As a community of practice we are constantly learning and evolving through our partnerships with multiple human service agencies. Through these mutually beneficial relationships we are able to lift up and share best approaches to addressing trauma through art, allowing us all to deepen and expand our collective expertise.

This diagram illustrates how our community of practice operates and includes 2017 statistics.



## **Adult Program**

In 2017 you supported

429 Adult Facilitators at 153 partnering organizations

These Windows Program Facilitators worked with **19,245 participants** 

Adult Participant demographics:

Female: 88% Male: 12% Other: 0%

18-25 years old: 20% 25-35 years: 40% 35-65 years: 32% 65+ years: 8%

African American: 16% Asian/Pacific Islander: 7% Caucasian: 28% Latinx: 41% Native American: 3% Other: 5%

## **Children's Program**

In 2017 you supported

## 414 Children's Facilitators at 137 partnering organizations

These Windows Program Facilitators worked with **12,822 participants** 

# Children Participant demographics:

Female: 61% Male: 38% Other: 1%

0-2 years old: 9% 3-5 years: 18% 6-12 years: 34% 13-17 years: 39%

African American: 15% Asian/Pacific Islander: 8% Caucasian: 26% Latinx: 43% Native American: 3% Other: 5%

## **Program Impact**

**84%** of adults agreed that participating in an art workshop gave them new **insight into their life**.\*

**92%** agreed that the workshop helped them find the **courage** to make **healthy decisions**.



**88%** of facilitators working with adults reported art workshops are highly effective in helping participants **express themselves and communicate** more effectively.\*\*

**79%** reported art workshops being highly effective in participants building **trust with staff** and using support more readily.



**95%** of facilitators working with children saw **significant growth** and **healing** for children/youth as they participated in art workshops over time.\*\*\*

**94%** reported that the art workshops helped participants handle anger, conflict, and communication in a **non-violent** way.

**96%** witnessed **improved relationships** with participants' peers.

\* We received 3,508 adult participant evaluations in 2017.

- \*\* 145 Adult Program partnering organizations submitted annual evaluations in 2017.
- \*\*\* 125 Children's Program partnering organizations submitted annual evaluations in 2017.

Your wings are ready ... I was not certain what would come of creating a visual impression of my thoughts and to be honest I was not very excited by the prospect. I was totally surprised at what I came up with. It was inspiring to me to find beauty where I was not aware it existed... within myself! I will take with me a desire to try new and more creative outlets for my thoughts and actions. I used to believe that

there was a serious ugly side to beauty but it is all in your perspective. Mine has broadened."

-Workshop Participant



## At the Core: Transforming Trauma Together

n June 2017, Phase One of our community art initiative – At the Core: Transforming Trauma Together – came to fruition with an interactive exhibit at San Fernando Valley Arts and Cultural Center. The exhibition featured a 33-foot mural designed by artist and counselor Fabian Debora.

During the 6 months prior, with the support of Fabian, participants at 11 partnering human service agencies across Los Angeles County created the panels of this special mural



to represent transformation from trauma.

At the exhibit guests were invited to experience the power of art hands on by creating their own art addressing their core wounds, needs, and values. Visitors created Touchstones – small pieces of art to carry with them as a reminder of their strength and courage - and made watercolor meditations for a community wall. There was also a reproduction of the mural design for guests to contribute to, along with mini-mural coloring pages to take home.

For Phase Two, the individual panels returned to the organizations where they were displayed within the agency and at community events to inspire further artmaking and transformation.



Special thanks to the organizations who contributed to the initial mural: Alternatives Behavioral Health, Center for the Pacific Asian Family, Domestic Violence Center of Santa Clarita Valley, Helping Hands Resource Center, Homeboy Industries, Juntos: Lennox School & Community Wellness, Korean American Family Services, LAUSD School Mental Health, Rainbow Services, Richstone Family Center. and United American Indian Involvement.

This special project reaches far beyond these agencies into communities across the country.



To view galleries from each organization and find out how you can participate please visit **awbw.org/atthecore** 

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## **Fundraising Events**





erving as a culmination to AWBW's 25th anniversary year celebrations. ArtWorks for Healing brought artists, curators and advocates together for a spectacular auction and benefit cocktail party at the Santa Monica Art Studios. A highlight included the opportunity to hear from Lili Bernard. one of the contributing artists, about how creating art saved her life while healing from traumatic experiences. A huge thank you to the artists, sponsors and patrons who helped us raise nearly \$50,000 from this event.

ain or shine. our annual Art in the **Afternoon** continues to bring smiles to the hundreds of children and families who attend each year! AWBW's signature art festival in Venice was hosted by actress and longtime supporter G Hannelius - alongside dozens of teen celebrities. 25 participating corporate sponsors, and many more friends of the organization. Through auctions, activities, sponsorships and ticket sales, we were pleased to raise more than \$77.000 for our art program. It fills our hearts with joy to watch as guests take their own "window of time" to create art together!







he 2017 heART Awards were presented to artist Mike Chearney (Creative Vision), Windows Program Facilitator Dr. Susan Lee (Compassionate Witness) and former AWBW board president Dr. Lin Morel (Community Impact). Our fall fundraising brunch in the beautiful Casa Del Mar ballroom raised \$96,000 for AWBW thanks to those who attended and sponsored. Honoree Mike Chearney created a unique painting comprised of 36 individual canvases for the event. The canvases found new homes through our silent auction, while still remaining energetically connected to one another.

### **Fundraising Initiatives**

n 2017, our peer-topeer campaigns and advocate led events raised over \$18,000. We also continued to grow our planned giving Legacy Society and our Monthly Donor Program.

Legacy Society members:

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## **In-Kind Support**

ur operating budget of \$1,985,140 includes \$760,419 in generous in-kind support contributed by our strong volunteer team, unpaid staff, volunteer consultants, and in-kind donors.

### During 2017, 319 volunteers contributed a total of 3,884 hours including:

- AWBW Advocates
- Board Committees
- Event Committees
- Interns
- Office Support Volunteers
- Volunteer Days
- Volunteer Executive Director

## \$66,486 in pro bono consultant services:

- Video Production
- Web Development
- Organizing
- Photography

## \$120,262 in goods were donated in-kind:

- Art Supplies (Over \$10,586 worth!)
- Auction and Event Supplies
- Exhibit Supplies
- Office Supplies
- Program Supplies

## In-Kind Goods and Services:

\$760,419 (see page 16) represents the fair market value of in-kind goods and services provided to AWBW. The additional \$126,845 figured into the total below (\$887,264) includes board support and event and auction supplies not recognized under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

| Board Support             | 16,021    |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Event & Auction Supplies  | 90,824    |
| Executive Director        | 66,660    |
| General Volunteer Support | 22,245    |
| Goods                     | 29,438    |
| Interns                   | 5,910     |
| Organizing                | 1,500     |
| Program Facilitators      | 589,680   |
| Video & Photography       | 34,292    |
| Website Development       | 30,694    |
| TOTAL IN-KIND SUPPORT     | \$887,264 |

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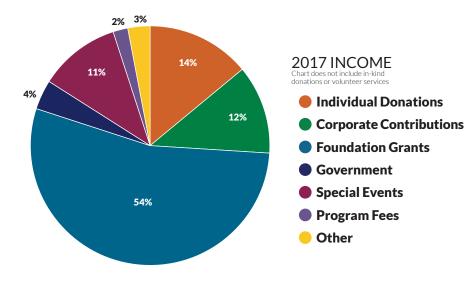
within myself, to understand where I've been, where I'm going and the kind of person I need to be..." -Workshop Participant

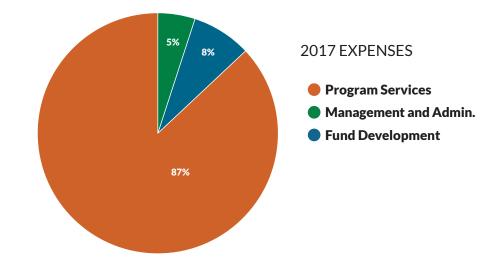
## **Statement of Financial Position**

For the year ended December 31,  $2017^3$  (with comparative totals for 2016)

|   | 2017                   | 2016                    |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| ASSETS  |                        |                         |
| Current Assets                                |                        |                         |
| Cash and cash equivalents<br>Investments      | \$1,260,877<br>299,282 | \$1,446,889             |
| Contributions receivable, net                 | 24,200                 | 60,000                  |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS                          | 1,584,359              | 1,506,889               |
| Non-Current Assets                            |                        |                         |
| Art collection <sup>1</sup><br>Property, net  | 172,433                | 117,710                 |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS                          | \$1,756,792            | \$1,624,599             |
| LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS                    |                        |                         |
| Current Liabilities                           |                        |                         |
| Accounts payable<br>Employee benefits payable | \$14,122<br>43,045     | \$19,071<br>39,286      |
|   | <u> </u>               | <u>57,200</u><br>58,357 |
|   | 57,107                 | 50,557                  |
| Net Assets<br>Unrestricted                    |                        |                         |
| Undesignated                                  | 504,020                | 64,741                  |
| Board-designated<br>Working capital reserve   | 435.611                | 871.223                 |
| Operating reserve                             | 435,611                | 435,611                 |
| TOTAL UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS                 | 1,375,242              | 1,371,575               |
| Temporarily restricted                        | 324,383                | 194,667                 |
| TOTAL NET ASSETS                              | 1,699,625              | 1,566,242               |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS              | \$1,756,792            | \$1,624,599             |

1: AWBW has a collection of donated artwork, appraised at approximately \$500,000, held for exhibit to the public. AWBW has adopted a policy of not capitalizing the artwork in the financial statements.





## **Statement of Functional Expenses** For the year ended December 31, 2017<sup>3</sup>

|   | Supporting Services                |                          |                     |                     | Supporting Services |  |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
|   | Program<br>Services                | Management<br>and Admin. | Fund<br>Development | TOTAL               |                     |  |
| Salaries and wages<br>Employee benefits | \$1,301,200 <sup>2</sup><br>48,723 | 61,201<br>5,229          | 112,070<br>9,576    | 1,474,471<br>63,528 |                     |  |
| Payroll taxes                           | 49,789                             | 5,344                    | 9,786               | 64,919              |                     |  |
| TOTAL PERSONNEL                         | 1,399,712                          | 71,774                   | 131,432             | 1,602,918           |                     |  |
| Art supplies                            | 107,891                            |                          |                     | 107,891             |                     |  |
| Depreciation                            | 26,786                             | 2,875                    | 5,265               | 34,926              |                     |  |
| Insurance                               | 3,592                              | 387                      | 705                 | 4,684               |                     |  |
| Meetings/Trainings                      | 3,383                              | 363                      | 665                 | 4,411               |                     |  |
| Memberships and conferences             | 10,717                             | 1,150                    | 2,106               | 13,973              |                     |  |
| Merchant fees                           |                                    | 6,982                    |                     | 6,982               |                     |  |
| Office Supplies                         | 5,710                              | 613                      | 1,122               | 7,445               |                     |  |
| Postage and delivery                    | 3,100                              | 333                      | 609                 | 4,042               |                     |  |
| Printing and publications               | 9,482                              | 1,018                    | 1,864               | 12,364              |                     |  |
| Professional fees and services          | 83,239                             | 12,131                   | 487                 | 95,857              |                     |  |
| Small equipment purchases               | 8,439                              | 906                      | 1,659               | 11,004              |                     |  |
| Space rental                            | 46,017                             | 4,939                    | 9,044               | 60,000              |                     |  |
| Space utilities and maintenance         | 5,182                              | 556                      | 1,018               | 6,756               |                     |  |
| Telephone                               | 3,591                              | 385                      | 706                 | 4,682               |                     |  |
| Travel                                  | 4,792                              |                          |                     | 4,792               |                     |  |
| Website Maintenance                     | 1,850                              | 199                      | 364                 | 2,413               |                     |  |
| TOTAL EXPENSES                          | \$1,723,483                        | \$104,611                | \$157,046           | \$1,985,140         |                     |  |

2: \$730,981 are in-kind wages

3: Portions of the financial information presented are excerpted from the audited financial statements of A Window Between Worlds. This financial information does not contain all the disclosures required by general accepted accounting principles and, as such, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements as a whole. The audited financial statements are available upon request.

## **Statement of Activities**

For the year ended December 31, 2017<sup>3</sup>

|   | Unrestricted   | Temporarily<br>Restricted | TOTAL       |
|---|----------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Public Support                          |                |                           |             |
| Individuals                             | \$185,360      |                           | 185,360     |
| Corporate                               | 161,671        |                           | 161,671     |
| Foundations                             | 247.800        | 478,700                   | 726.500     |
| Government                              | 59,850         |                           | 59,850      |
| Special events income, net              | 152,660        |                           | 152,660     |
| In-kind supplies and volunteer services | 760,419        |                           | 760,419     |
| TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT                    | 1,567,760      | 478,700                   | 2,046,460   |
| Revenue                                 |                |                           |             |
| Program fees                            | 32,290         |                           | 32,290      |
| Investment (losses), net                | (718)          |                           | (718)       |
| Interest and dividends                  | 345            |                           | 345         |
| Other income                            | 40,146         |                           | 40,146      |
| TOTAL REVENUE                           | 72,063         |                           | 72,063      |
| Net Assets Released from Restrictions   | 348,984        | (348,984)                 |             |
| TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT, REVENUE,          |                |                           |             |
| AND RECLASSIFICATIONS                   | \$1,988,807    | \$129,716                 | \$2,118,523 |
| EXPENSES                                |                |                           |             |
| Program services<br>Supporting services | 1,723,483      |                           | 1,723,483   |
| Management and administration           | 104,611        |                           | 104,611     |
| Fund Development                        | 157,046        |                           | 157,046     |
| TOTAL EXPENSES                          | 1,985,140      |                           | 1,985,140   |
| CHANGE IN NET ASSETS                    | 3,667          | 129,716                   | 133,383     |
| Net Assets Beginning of Year            | 1,371,575      | 194,667                   | 1,566,242   |
| NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR               | \$1,375,242    | \$324,383                 | \$1,699,625 |
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## Artwork by AWBW Workshop Participants















Special thanks to the partnering organizations who shared these creations with us: Human Options Center for Children and Families; Pathways for Change; Pomona Unified School District; PPC Violence Free Network; Su Casa; Swain Recovery Center; The Nest Center for Women, Children, and Families; Valley Human Services; and YWCA WINGS.









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