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# 2014

## REPORT TO OUR COMMUNITY



### Treehouse is leveling the playing field for youth in foster care.

Treehouse provides more than 7,000 youth in foster care with the essential and academic support they equally deserve to be successful in school and in life. Thanks to you, we are creating a road to hope and possibility for youth in foster care.

### graduation success

At just 13 years of age, Almeisha made the life-changing decision to leave her family's home. She had been fending for herself for years in a neglected house with absent parents who weren't meeting her basic needs. She moved in with her aunt and became one of the 9,000 youth living in Washington State's foster care system.

In the beginning, Almeisha's transition to her aunt's structured household was anything but smooth. Like many youth entering care, she struggled to adapt to her new family's rules and expectations. Almeisha lacked focus at school, she wasn't turning in assignments, and her grades suffered. Treehouse Education Specialist Mike began meeting with Almeisha on a weekly basis. He helped her to start looking beyond her current circumstances and understand the connection between education and her long term goals. For three years, he was a consistent, supportive presence in Almeisha's life, serving as her academic mentor, coach, and devoted advocate.

Early on, Mike learned that Almeisha's career goal was to become a music producer. Together, they determined the steps needed to achieve this goal. With the realization that a high school diploma was one of these steps, Almeisha got to work. The pair met weekly to check in on grades and attendance, work through daily challenges, and to celebrate progress towards Almeisha's goal. She began staying after school for extra help, paying attention to deadlines, and her grades steadily improved.

In June 2014, Almeisha achieved a critical milestone graduating from Garfield High School. She was awarded the Washington State Governors' Scholarship and is now working towards her career goal studying music production at Seattle Central College.

### our impact

With your support in 2014, we made strong progress towards our 2017 goal for foster youth in King County to graduate from high school at the same rate as their peers with a plan for their future.



**TREEHOUSE  
PROGRESS TOWARDS  
FOSTER YOUTH  
GRADUATION GOAL**

## 2014 by the numbers

Treehouse helps give foster kids a childhood and a future through diverse programs:



**GRADUATION SUCCESS** provided **542** middle and high school foster youth in King County with comprehensive academic support.



**THE WEARHOUSE** distributed **95,872** items of clothing, toys, and supplies to **1,733** youth.



**LITTLE WISHES** granted wishes for **1,163** youth to participate in crucial social, emotional and academic development activities.



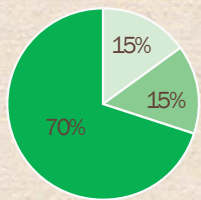
**EDUCATIONAL ADVOCACY** helped remove barriers to school success for **934** kids statewide.



**HOLIDAY MAGIC** provided a significant holiday gift for **5,942** kids statewide.

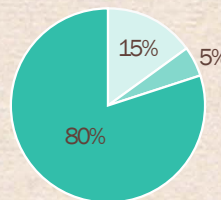
## revenue and expenses

Revenue: \$9,028,803



- Contributions and Grants: \$6,345,479
- In-Kind Contributions: \$1,315,232
- State Contracts: \$1,368,092

Expenses: \$8,190,401



- Program Services: \$6,560,098
- Management & General: \$391,208
- Fundraising: \$1,239,095

Full financial statements are available online.

Net Assets, End of Year: \$11,089,292

## our leaders

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