

Serving Youth Across Washington State

Founded in 1988 by social workers, Treehouse serves 8,000 youth in foster care across Washington state, providing academic support, clothing, key childhood experiences and holiday gifts. With fierce optimism, we fight structural inequities.

graduation success

This summer, Ericka had the opportunity to travel to New York City and attend The School of The New York Times. After living in the city, she fell in love with it and can't wait to go back and photograph more.

She found out about this program through the internet and applied not knowing the opportunities it would create. Once she was accepted, she did not know how she would pay for it.

Ericka created a GoFundMe, and started reaching out to the people and resources she knows. She raised enough money to cover everything, with assistance from friends, family, Treehouse where she participates in Graduation Success, Mike McCready (who she met through Treehouse) and other organizations.

During the trip, Ericka lived in the city for three weeks, and she said they were the best three weeks of her life. She studied photography, creative writing and theater. She took photos at Central Park and Coney Island, went to Broadway shows, explored the city and wrote an article about one of her favorite NYC artists, Keith Haring.

An image she took of a man sitting on a bench with his tennis balls on the boardwalk of Coney Island won fourth place in a competition and was later announced as the 2019 NYC Photojournalism Challenge Winner.

The image was published in the Sunday national printed edition of the *New York Times*, and Ericka said seeing her work printed in the biggest newspaper was unreal. There were more than 4,000 images submitted, and only two—one from NYC and one from their Washington, D.C. program—got selected.

"I am so thankful for this opportunity and the people who worked with me to make it all possible," Ericka said.

our impact



Graduation Success seniors graduated on time in 2019.

2019 by the numbers

Treehouse gives youth in foster care a childhood and a future through diverse programs:



8,000+ youth received academic and other essential support.



138.000+ items of clothing, toys and school supplies distributed.



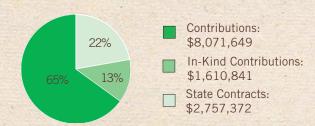
7.000+ requests funded for social, emotional and academic activities.



5,300+ kids and teens opened meaningful holiday gifts.

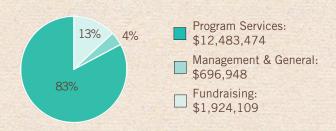
revenue and expenses

Revenue: \$12,439,862



Full financial statements are available online.

Expenses: \$15,104,531



Net Assets, End of Year: \$12,313,302

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