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# Annual Report 2017 - 2018



# Pearl Buck Center

## Mission

Pearl Buck Center offers people with various abilities and their families quality choices and supports to achieve their goals.

## Programs & Services

Pearl Buck Preschool and Family Supports, Center Pointe Services, Community Employment, Supported Living, Life Enhancing Activities Program, Pearl Buck Vocational Academy, Project SEARCH, and Production Services.

## 2017-2018 Board of Directors

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# New Challenges Moving Forward

Pearl Buck Center has ridden the waves of many significant changes over the years. In meeting each one, we have reassessed how to fulfill our mission with positive human and financial results. For example, when students with disabilities began mainstreaming into public education in the 1970s, Lisl was encouraged by the increasing acceptance of people with disabilities, but also had concerns about whether public schools could sufficiently address their special needs.

Lisl also worried that Pearl Buck Center could not possibly sustain itself financially, and for a time, she was correct. But PBC continued to meet community and client needs by increasing vocational work, establishing a major community employment services program, creating a unique preschool and family supports program, and developing a post-secondary vocational academy. With strategically sound financial management and wise leadership, PBC became a flourishing organization that remained true to its mission.

Despite her concerns along the way, Lisl stated in 1988: “I do believe PBC will survive. It will change, but it will survive. I just hope that it will keep the same spirit. There will always be room for innovation—otherwise, humanity will not survive.”

As we navigate the current wave of the Transformation process, we have the experience, strong leadership, and heartfelt commitment to our mission to guide our way forward.

*Margaret Theisen*

Executive Director

*Erik Hasselman*

Board President



# Community Services

## Community Employment

Assists individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to locate and retain quality jobs in the community. This program provides Job Discovery to determine the right fit for available jobs, Job Development for those ready to work, and Supported Employment so clients can remain successful in their jobs.

Served 102 Clients



## Supported Living

Assists individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live as independently as possible in their homes while remaining safe. This can include, but is not limited to: household cleaning and maintenance; meal planning and preparation; grocery shopping; and money management.

Served 56 Clients





# Project SEARCH

Project SEARCH prepares individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities for community employment with on-the-job experience and skill building through a nine-month internship rotation program. Sixteen interns successfully completed the program at Sacred Heart Hospital at RiverBend & University District and graduated in May 2018.



- 19 clients served
- 2 Project SEARCH sites
- 2 clients hired by host site



# Adult Services Program

## Production Services

Prepares adults with a range of abilities to enter the workforce by building the technical and social skills needed for community employment while earning wages in our production department.

Served 110 Clients

## Life Enhancing Activities Program (LEAP)

Increases opportunities for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to be active participants in the community through art, community integration, and social enrichment.

Served 49 Clients

15 clients participated in the Discovery Process

14 businesses partnered with Pearl Buck Production to offer competitive work

**\$269,374**

PBC paid in client wages that enriched our community



# Pearl Buck Preschool & Family Supports

## **A wrap-around, tuition-free program for families led by parents with cognitive limitations:**

**Preschool** for at-risk children, using specialized curriculum and Program-Wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports to provide children with language/literacy and social/emotional development needed for kindergarten readiness. The enriched learning environment is augmented by transportation and healthy meals.

**Parenting Education and Support** adapted for adults with cognitive limitations, provided through home visits and at Pearl Buck Center.

**Case Management and Outreach** to help families meet basic needs and maintain a safe and stable home.

Our staff support, engage, and educate parents with cognitive limitations as they work through involvement with DHS Child Welfare.

**46** families served

**193** adults and children served by the preschool

**399** positive parenting, health, and safety home visits

**136** DHS Child Welfare participants served





# Vocational Academy

Individuals of diverse capabilities and backgrounds are prepared for competitive, integrated jobs in the community through personal development, career exploration, and job-specific training using differentiated, person-centered instruction.

The Pearl Buck Vocational Academy provides an exciting combination of classroom learning and hands-on work experience, and promotes community involvement through guest speakers and field trips.

17 clients served

2 job training tracks

- food packaging
- warehouse operations





# New! Summer Work Experience

The Summer Work Experience program matches individuals ages 18-21 with integrated work experiences in the community, and supports them with training and supervision.

Classroom training and ongoing support focuses on essential job skills. Program participants gain meaningful experience while building their resumes.

The Summer Work Experience program is a partnership with the Oregon Department of Education, Oregon Department of Human Services, local businesses, and Pearl Buck Center.

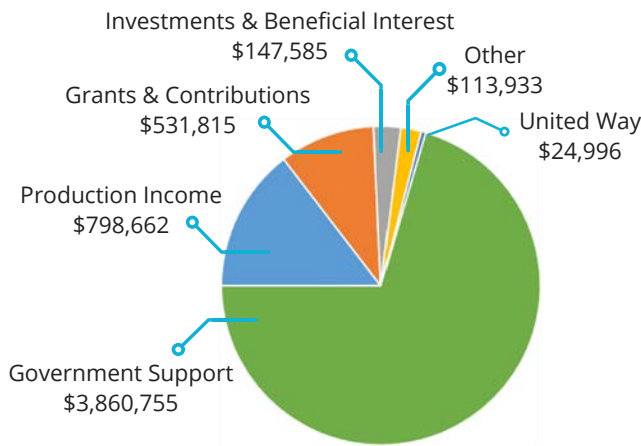
- 6 clients served
- 2 business partners participated by providing work sites



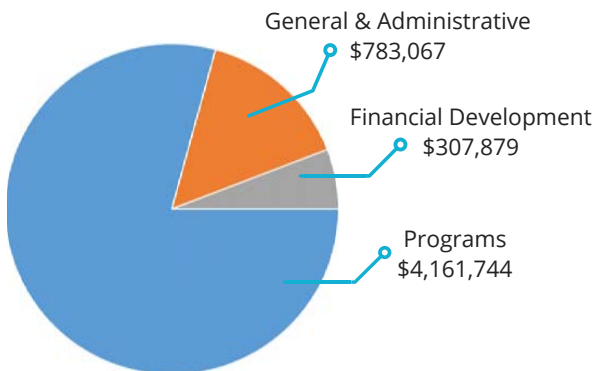
# Financials and Grants 2017 - 18

## Budget

Revenue | \$5,677,059



Expenses | \$5,898,682



## Grants

Albert B. & Jean E. Hallstrom Family Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation  
Autzen Foundation  
Avon Lee Babb Charitable Fund  
Baker Family Foundation  
Callan Family Fund  
Candace Callan Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation  
Central Lutheran Foundation  
Charles D. Trover Family Foundation  
Children's Trust Fund of Oregon  
Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation  
Cressey Family Charitable Trust  
Dixie and Robert Harrison Fund  
Herbert J. Merker Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation  
Juan Young Trust  
Lane County Department of Human Services  
Lane County Human Services Commission  
Laney Family Fund  
LTD/ODOT  
McKay Family Foundation  
McKay Investment Co., 4th Generation  
Rodolph and Cherie Chevalier Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation  
R.W. Family Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation  
State of Oregon, Employment First  
Target Corp.  
Torrey Family Charitable Fund  
Trust Management Services, LLC  
United Way of Lane County  
Wells Fargo Foundation

235

volunteers

\$98,834

worth of volunteer services

4,003

donated hours

# Business Connections

## Community Employment Partners

Albertson's	Head Start of Lane County	Safeway
Allies, LLC*	Heritage Distilling Co.	SELCO Community Credit Union
Alvord Taylor	Hilton - Downtown Eugene	Serenity Lane
Anytime Fitness*	Inn at the 5th*	Tamarack Center
Arby's	Kellermeyer Bergensons Services	Target
Bounce*	Lane Community College	The Bread Stop
Bricks & Mini Figs	Lively Pool	T.J. Maxx
Burger King - Springfield	Living Hope Church	Toxic Wings
Busy Bee Academy	Lox, Stocks & Bagels*	University of Oregon*
Carl's Jr	Lowe's*	Valley River Inn
Clemons Marina	Marriott	Valley River Mall*
Dari Mart	MOD Pizza*	Walmart
Dickey's BBQ	Mosaic Fair Trade	Wendy's Restaurant*
Downtown Athletic Club	Oak Street Day Care	Yellow Emperor
Fred Meyer	Our Redeemer Lutheran Church	
Fuller Cabinets	Outback Steakhouse	
Garten Services	PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center	

\* = new partner 2017-18

## Production Services Business Partners

Attune  
Box Maker  
Café Yumm  
Champion Technologies  
Dancing Bear's Rocks & Minerals  
GloryBee  
Johnson Crushers International  
NuNaturals  
Outback Water  
Philips Neuro  
Red Ape Cinnamon  
Standley Manufacturing  
Terex Global  
ThermoFisher Scientific  
Wildtime Foods  
Yogi





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