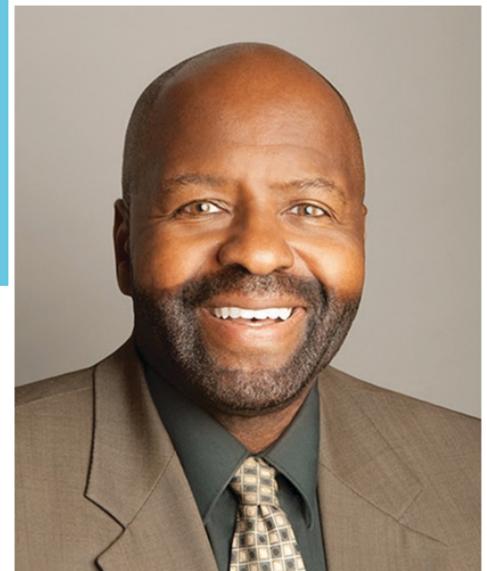


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In 1972, a group of adoptive parents (known as the Council of Adoptive Parents) led by Peggy Soule came together with a shared mission, to find loving and adoptive families for children in foster care. The belief that “it is every child’s right to have a family” not only drove their mission but also led to the creation of the CAP Book.

As we embark on our 45th anniversary, Children Awaiting Parents continues to draw on the inspiration from our founders. It is that core belief that has led to over 6,000 children finding permanent and loving homes. In that same spirit, this year I am proud to announce our organization has received authorization from the State of New York to establish The Donald J. Corbett Adoption Agency. As part of Children Awaiting Parents, The Donald J. Corbett Adoption Agency will assist families and children through the entire adoption process. As our founders believed, developing a personal connection between families and children throughout the process, ultimately leads to successful adoptions.

With this exciting news, we are poised for a promising future and the ability to serve a greater number of children and families. Like with so many organizations we too are faced with funding challenges. I am confident that through the Endowment Campaign and the support of our committed donors, we will be well positioned to continue our important work.

CHARLES REAVES
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been up to

308 children

We added an additional 308 children to our photo listing database

[650 referrals were made from our photo listing database]

93 thousand

CAP has had 93,000 visits to our website this year

[75% being new viewers]

12 families

Our Heart Gallery photo shoot had 12 families participate.



OUR
community outreach
SPECIALIST

Held 19 foster/adoption informational meetings

Conducted 4 Mapp training classes (classes are 10 week sessions)

Facilitated 18 community presentations throughout Monroe County

OUR WENDY'S
wonderful kids
PROGRAM

Served 23 children

Matched 8 children to families

Instrumental in 3 adoptions

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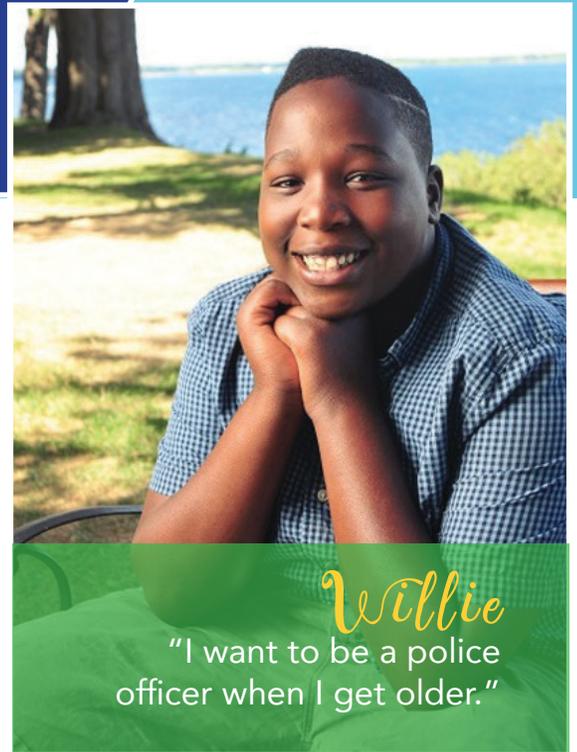
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SUCCESS STORY: THE ARROW FAMILY

Rieanne is a bubbly and sweet young lady with a great laugh and a contagious energy. She loves cats, going for walks, arts and crafts, playing softball, and eating ice cream. And now, spending time with her family.

Rieanne spent the majority of her childhood bouncing between homes and institutions. She was legally freed for adoption in the spring of 2014. At 12 years old, she desperately needed stability and a family who could provide consistency and unconditional commitment.

In the fall of 2014, the Arrow family saw Rieanne on the Children Awaiting Parents website, expressed their interest and submitted their home study for consideration. That winter, Wendy's Wonderful Kids, a program through Children Awaiting Parents, reached out to the Arrows and invited them to a teen panel where Rieanne would be speaking. It was there that the Arrows saw her, in person, for the first time - and they fell in love. Concurrently, Rieanne was working hard with her team to understand that adoption is permanent and not another foster family. She was excited about meeting families and hoped for one who would be able to provide her with lots of love and attention - and maybe even a pet! In February of 2015, Wendy's Wonderful Kids presented Rieanne with a family photo album put together by Mary Lou and Jim Arrow, complete with photos of their home, extended family and their three cats. Rieanne was mesmerized by the album and announced that we had "found the perfect family for her." Rieanne and the Arrows began visiting soon after, building memories and showing commitment. In November of that year, Rieanne moved in with the Arrows and on August 24th of 2016, just a month after her 15th birthday, Rieanne officially joined the Arrow family. Rieanne says that her adoption was her "rebirth."

"We cannot imagine our life without Rieanne in it," says Mary Lou Arrow. "It has been a true privilege to watch her grow into a beautiful young woman. We have been able to witness her resiliency through the transition of going from a residential setting to our home and to a new high school. Her gifts and talents were evident the first time we saw her on the CAP teen panel. It allowed us to see the real her - a teen who is strong, bright, funny, curious, kind and thoughtful - and one who was clearly ready to embrace her life and move forward. Rieanne, is able to advocate for herself and communicate in ways that have helped us to grow both individually and as a family. The gift of this adoption is reciprocal. People say what a wonderful thing it is for us to provide her a family and home but the gift she brings to our family is priceless".

"The support services received from CAP, Monroe County, Hillside and Catholic Family services helped us through the process since it was new to us and was at times a lot to navigate through. We would encourage anyone thinking of adopting to take it a step at a time and see where it leads!" says Mary Lou.

A month after her own adoption finalization, Rieanne adopted Tucker, her very own kitten.



FINANCIAL SUMMARY



SUPPORT AND REVENUE:

	2017	2016
Gifts, Grants and Contributions	159,194	273,735
In-Kind Services	14,943	14,417
Special Events, Net of Direct Expense	19,576	24,518
Child Registration Fees	-	4,000
Training Income	15,525	9,250
Investment Income	<u>32,510</u>	<u>25,763</u>
Total Support and Revenue without Realized/Unrealized		
Gain (Loss) on Investments	241,748	351,683
Realized/Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	62,213	(29,662)
Bad Debt Losses	-	-
Change in Retirement Obligation	-	-
Miscellaneous	<u>-</u>	<u>100</u>
Total Support and Revenue	303,961	322,121

EXPENSES:

Program Services	335,750	357,986
Management and General	98,579	94,552
Fundraising	<u>38,709</u>	<u>36,838</u>
Total Expenses	473,038	489,376

BALANCE SHEET:

Excess (Deficit) of Support and Revenue over Expense	<u>(169,077)</u>	<u>(167,255)</u>
Fund Balance-Beginning of Year	984,595	1,151,850
Fund Balance-End of Year	815,518	984,595
Cash and Investment-End of Year	795,310	909,212

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Keesha "Family is someone who is always there for me, love and supports me, and also cares about me."