

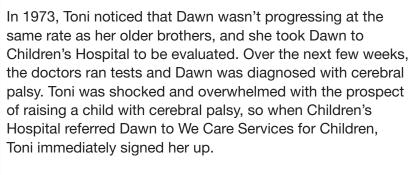
# We Care Changed My Life



In honor of We Care's 60 years of early intervention services for at-risk children in our community, in 2020 we will be sharing stories from people who have a personal connection with our organization through the past six decades. And what better way to start than with someone who attended We Care over 40 years ago?

During a recent presentation at the Women of the Moose lodge in Concord, Pete Caldwell (We Care's Executive Director) and Erica Williamson (Director of Marketing & Communications) were deeply touched by the story from Toni Bradley. Toni talked about her daughter Dawn, who attended We Care in the 1970s, and showed a picture of Dawn next to a dinosaur in We Care's playground area. After the presentation, Pete told Toni that children at We Care still love that same

dinosaur, and he invited Toni and Dawn to come visit.



As Toni helped Dawn onto the bus each morning, she held on to the hope that this could be what Dawn needed to help her live a happy and eventually independent life. And it was! At We Care, teachers aided her with therapeutic interventions and by the time she graduated, Dawn met all the comprehensive goals that had been set for her. In fact,

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Please plan on joining us in celebration of We Care's **60th anniversary!** 



## A message from:

# Pete Caldwell, Executive Director

Dear We Care Family,

I hope the new year is finding you happy, healthy, and enjoying great memories of the recent holidays. We are particularly excited on a number of fronts, including new programming, a deeper impact on our community, new collaborations, and some wonderful events – not the least of which is We Care's 60th Anniversary Gala!

Some of 2020's highlights include:

### New programs that will reach even more children

We'll be introducing new programs in both our Developmental and Mental Health Departments that will have the ability to dramatically improve the lives of the children and families they touch. More details to follow as we continue to develop specifics, but we will offer evidence-based, high-intensity treatment to populations of children we haven't been able to reach before.

Some of this is tied to new funding sources, but mostly this growth is a direct result of the incredible outpouring of support we received in 2019 from so many compassionate and generous individuals like you who sought just this outcome. I continue to be so incredibly grateful for the ways in which this community partners with our efforts!

### 60 years of stories

Because of our special anniversary this year, this will also be a time of looking back. You probably just read the wonderful testimonial about Toni and Dawn, and throughout 2020, we'll be highlighting other families from our rich history.

As most of you know, We Care was created by a group of passionate parents during the Eisenhower administration – and each of the thousands of children who have passed through our doors has a story to tell. We look forward to sharing as many as we can with you.

60th Anniversary Gala on October 17

And please be sure that Saturday, October 17 is on your calendar. It will all come together at our 60th Anniversary Gala in the Museum at Blackhawk. This will not be an evening to miss!

We have every reason to think 2020 will be our best year so far, and we never lose sight that it's all due to you, the folks who want every child to have the best possible start in life.

Best,

Pete



Toni jokes she sometimes wishes We Care hadn't helped Dawn learn to talk quite as much because she hasn't stopped since! Although Dawn isn't able to walk, she says, "You can't miss something you never had." And when she visited We Care, the children on their trikes loved racing around the playground with Dawn in her wheelchair. Since age 18, she has been able to live successfully on her own, which is what Toni had always wished for her. If it weren't for Toni's persistence at a critical time in her daughter's development, Dawn would not have attended We Care and might not have received the right services at the right age.

Dawn told us, "I want to thank We Care - they changed my life."

Both Toni and Dawn have shown tremendous strength in the face of adversity. Their advice for other families who may be just starting on their own path with developmental delays or disabilities is to love your children and never, ever give up.

Toni has been a huge supporter for We Care over the past 43 years. Back in the 70s, she and the other mothers would host craft fairs and donate all the proceeds directly back to our organization. And as a member of Women of the Moose, she has organized many fundraisers benefiting We Care.

We are extremely grateful for the support of Toni and her community, and we're delighted to see Dawn flourishing in her life!

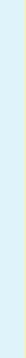
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Our heartfelt gratitude goes to the many companies and community groups that supported their employees' and members' donations to We Care through charitable giving programs this year.

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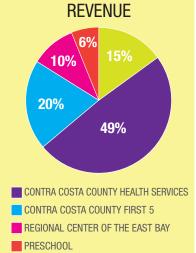
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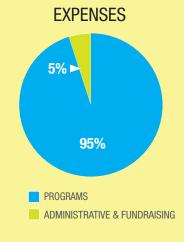


## 2018-19 Financial Report

Below is a review of our financials for our Fiscal Year 2018-19.



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# 2019 Supporters ... Thank You!



We are extremely grateful to our generous supporters. With your partnership. We Care is able to help children to reach their full potential. Without you, we could not help change the lives of children with developmental disabilities and mental health issues, continue our fight against child abuse, or give parents the support needed. Thank you!



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