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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Patricia Ritter, PhD

We are TLC strong! Reflecting on 2020, one major organizational character trait became obvious: strength. We survived a year like no other in our history. We expected to celebrate our highly anticipated 70th anniversary in 2020, but it soon became clear that this in-person milestone event would need to wait. What became obvious very quickly, is that the same core values that got us through 70 years of serving the community would help us get to the 71st year and beyond.

We learned that saving a date (for TLC's 70th and The Katherine Thomas School's 25th year) is futile in a global pandemic. We learned that focusing on our mission can take us through the most difficult of situations; improving lives and expanding possibilities is truly a timeless mission that we never forgot. We learned that our community would stand by us during the hardest time, showing extraordinary commitment and loyalty. We know, without any doubt, that our passion and dedication to those we serve will not go away with any challenge we encounter.

Through the adaptability and quick actions taken by our TLC staff, we were able to transition to virtual program models utilizing new technologies quickly to continue to support those we serve. We always prioritized quality at the forefront of every change we made. Our staff embraced new learning, utilizing their creativity while simultaneously focusing on the needs of those we serve, never wavering, even while encountering their own individual challenges with the pandemic.



We are appreciative of our TLC community that supported us in multiple ways as we continued to serve. Our clients and families transitioned with us to new service models. Our donor community generously supported additional and needed technologies, resources, PPE, and assisted families with financial needs. We are stronger together.

Although we encountered many obstacles, we maintained a strong financial position due to our quick transition to alternative delivery models. We worked quickly to take advantage of all possible funding options (federal, state, and county) and our strong generous donor support was an enormous help.

Throughout our annual report, we will highlight some of the accomplishments of our departments. We want to thank you again for your steadfast support. You made it possible for our community to continue to thrive, and the individuals that we serve flourish in the face of difficulty.



MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We look forward to being in the actual, live presence of others for our 70th/25th Anniversary Gala Event; we will keep you updated regarding a new date. We look forward to seeing you in-person soon, with renewed optimism, hope, and pride in our ability to persevere and serve well in a year of adjustment.

A handwritten signature in gold ink, which appears to read "Patricia Ritter".

Patricia Ritter, PhD
Executive Director
The Treatment and Learning Centers

TLC MISSION AND VISION

Our mission is to improve lives and expand possibilities for individuals with special needs. Our vision is to be a highly visible, leading-edge organization with strong collaborative and advocacy relationships and plentiful resources that support quality programs, staff, and facilities for individuals with special needs.

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Giving Tuesday

The Treatment and Learning Centers created the #GivingTLCDay for 2020. This movement was a full day of messaging celebrating all that is TLC- the individuals we serve and different services we proudly provide. TLC’s Board of Trustees kicked off the event with a matching gift challenge of \$7,000. **We raised over \$33,000**, thanks to our sponsors and our very generous community of donors who chose TLC as their charity of choice!

- TLC Giving Tuesday Sponsors:**
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TLC’s Lockdown Challenge

- Trick Shot Lockdown Challenge**
- 17 entries
 - \$3,400 raised

While the world was trying to figure out how to handle a quarantine lockdown, TLC thought outside the box and hosted a Trick Shot Lockdown Challenge - our first ever video trick shot challenge! All ages participated and the videos were very creative. The videos consisted of shooting, putting, dribbling and kicking skills. Winning videos can be viewed online: <https://bit.ly/2ZGe5YI>

2020 TLC EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



TLC's 2020 Golf Classic

Despite not being able to hold our Annual Golf Classic this year due to the pandemic, we didn't let it dampen the fun! To support TLC, almost 50 golfers purchased a certificate to play a round of golf on their own at the fantastic P.B. Dye Golf Club in Ijamsville, Maryland. Their support scored a hole-in-one with TLC. The clients, students and families that will benefit from the generosity of these champions are sincerely grateful!

Thank You to Our Generous Sponsors:



TLC GOLF CLASSIC 2021

Mark Your Calendar for June 11, 2021. TLC's 30th Annual Golf Classic will be held as an in-person event at PB Dye Golf Course.

For more information go to: www.ttlc.org/golf

2020 TLC EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



Fall 2020 "A Moment of Escape" Raffle

The Leibowitz family was the winner of a luxury getaway to the Salamander Resort and Spa in the beautiful Shenandoah Mountains!

We are so grateful that our donor community stepped up to support TLC and the families we serve through the pandemic, raising over **\$24,000!**



15th Annual The Katherine Thomas School Parent Association "Win for the Kids" Casino Night

Our last in-person event was held on Saturday, February 22, 2020 at Lakewood Country Club. Casino Night was an amazing success and raised **\$57,000** to help support the students at The Katherine Thomas School as well as TLC's mission. The 136 guests enjoyed an evening of fun, deals and a special magic show.

Thanks to Paul and Rosanne McDermott for the matching grant underwriting equipment, technology and educational materials designed to help our KTS students succeed!

The Katherine Thomas School Class of 2020

The Katherine Thomas School Senior class held their 2020 graduation virtually via Zoom. The event was filled with the same emotion, as if we were celebrating together in person.

We are so proud of our community for making our first virtual graduation a success!

Here is a quote from one of our graduates, Lily, about her experience at KTS:



“Words can’t describe how much KTS means to me, but if I had to choose a word to start with, I would choose **AMAZING!** Academically, I have learned to be proactive and a self-advocate. This has allowed me to become more independent in school and at home. KTS has prepared me well to face the next steps beyond high school!”

Congrats Class of 2020!



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Lily



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GEM (Give Every Month)

Special thanks to our GEM members! Our monthly donors truly are GEMS to TLC. These individuals make monthly donations to sustain our organization throughout the year. Monthly support helps us reduce costs and makes a huge impact. We are so grateful to those who have joined this prestigious group and made a commitment to TLC all year long.

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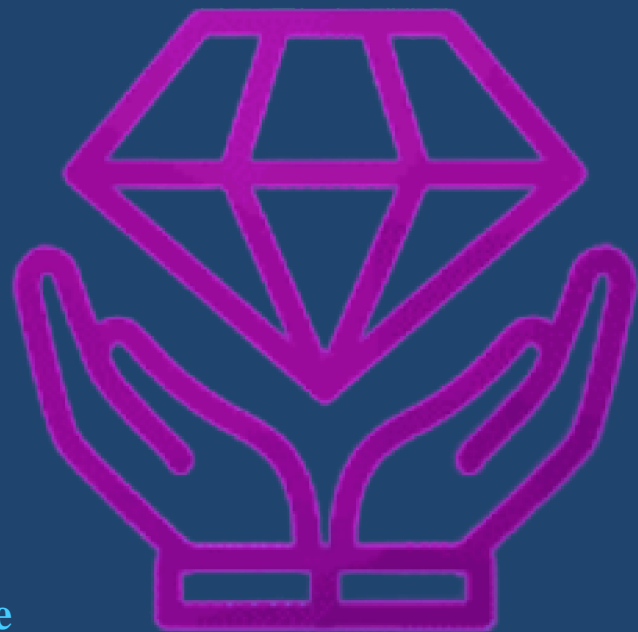
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Tribute gifts are a way to recognize friends or family members while demonstrating support for TLC. Each honoree will receive a personalized card as well as the satisfaction of knowing this support helped make a difference. TLC recognizes the below and give thanks to those who made a tribute gift in 2020.

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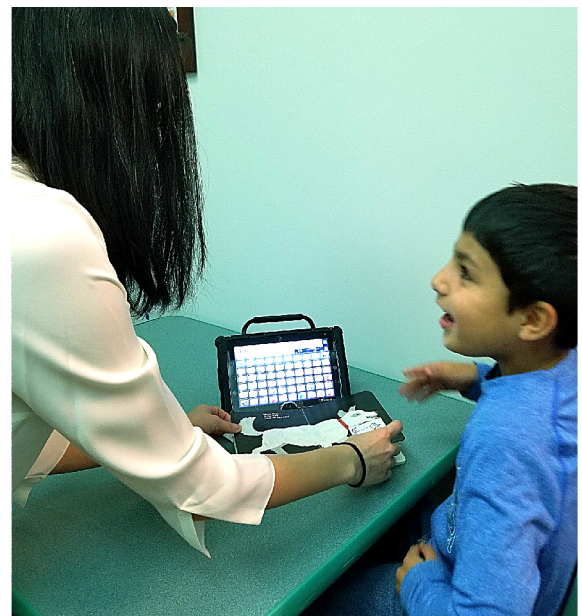
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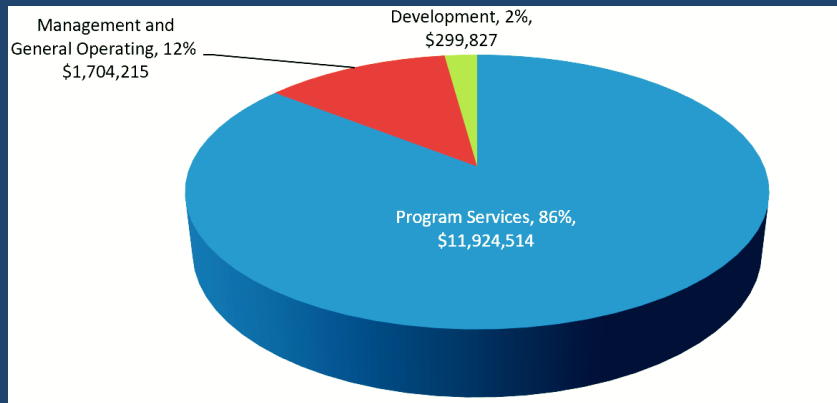
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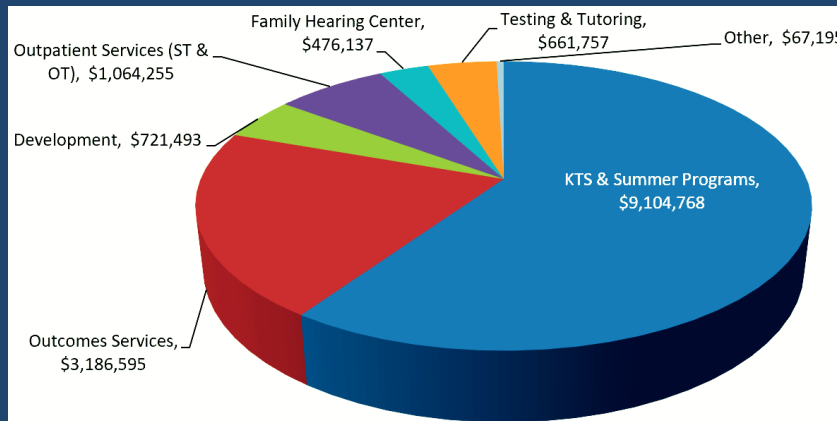
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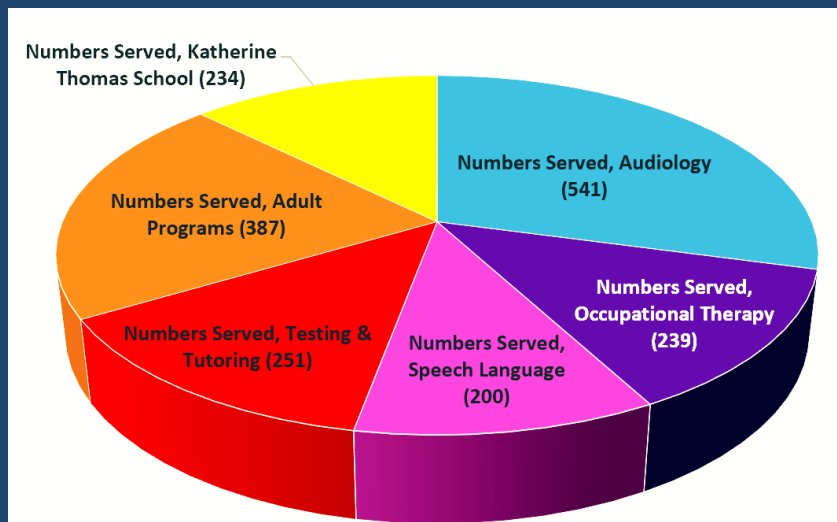
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TLC Voted Winner in "Washington Parent Picks" in Multiple Categories

- Health & Physical Therapy
- Special Needs Adaptive Services
- Special Needs Aspergers & Autism Resource
- Special Needs Camps
- Special Needs Mental Illness
- Special Needs Occupational Therapy
- Special Needs Speech-Language Pathology
- Special Needs Therapeutic Recreation

The Katherine Thomas School Winning Categories

- Schools & Education After School Program
- Schools & Education Private High School
- Schools & Education Private School

Outpatient Department

- Occupational Therapy and Speech-Language Departments launched a successful virtual summer camp program from June–August 2020
- The Interaction Group model was redesigned for virtual and small, safe in-person groups
- TLC officially launched our Feeding Therapy Program
- TLC’s Directors of Occupational Therapy and Speech-Language Pathology presented at a workshop with XMinds “Virtual Speech-Language and OT: Making It Work for ASD Families”



Testing, Tutoring, and Counseling Department

- Provided virtual teletherapy sessions and remote comprehensive psychological evaluations
- The evaluation services utilized online testing materials to create remote testing comparable to in-person evaluations
- Counseling Services provided multiple online support groups for various topics
- Tutoring turned to all online tutoring
- Tutoring also offered a wide variety of online enrichment classes to supplement school learning

The Treatment and Learning Centers Family of Services

The Katherine Thomas School

- The school transitioned quickly to virtual learning at the beginning of the pandemic. Later, our hybrid program allowed students to return to in-person instruction. Our students continued to make academic progress in both models
- Dr. Nicole Abera, Director of the KTS Lower/Middle School, had an article and video published online entitled “Supporting Students with Significant Needs in Distance Learning”
- KTHS Speech-Language Pathologists held a virtual community workshop “Comprehension and Communication Tools and Strategies”



The Outcomes Service

- The Outcomes Service remained active and visible in the community and transitioned to all virtual services
- Several participants were featured in a WUSA 9 news segment interview focusing on the challenges that individuals with developmental disabilities face in an era of pandemic
- Many new virtual groups, both professional and personal, were created to help participants keep their employment seeking and retention skills sharp, while maintaining connections

The Family Hearing Center

- Pre-pandemic, The Family Hearing Center held an in-person presentation in January 2020 on Healthy Aging, by best-selling author Cathy Richards
- The Family Hearing Center remained open for our patients throughout the pandemic, returning to in-person services in June
- The FHC continued to provide support groups held virtually to Ingleside at King Farm and Asbury Methodist Village
- The Director of the Family Hearing Center was featured on Asbury Methodist Village television discussing hearing health



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