# **FULL AND SATISFYING LIVES**



### ANNUAL REPORT











# A LIFE WELL LIVED





We are so proud of all that MAB Community Services has accomplished this year to help individuals with disabilities lead full and satisfying lives.

We have trained individuals to use emerging technology to help compensate for vision loss. In collaboration with the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, Massachusetts Association of Councils on Aging, and Elder Affairs, the Massachusetts Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired launched two assistive technology centers. The response has been tremendous. In the 21st century, staying connected means being able to access and use technology to FaceTime or email your grandchildren, buy products on Amazon, or book a ride on Uber.

Changes have also taken place at the Ivy Street School to expand our reach beyond the 40 students enrolled here in Brookline. "Skills for Life" brings our team of occupational therapists into the community. The goal is to help young adults on the autism spectrum learn the skills they need to successfully transition to adulthood and become contributing members of society.

Innovation shapes and guides our practice. Ron Suskind, author of **Life, Animated**, was the keynote speaker at Ivy Street School's John Pratt Memorial Lecture. This connection grew into a partnership where our staff and students are piloting **Sidekicks**, an app created by Suskind that helps youth with autism learn to better communicate and gain insight into the social world.

At MAB Adult Disability Services, we have invested in personcentered planning. This highly individualized approach to programming allows each of the people we serve to have greater agency over their lives. The personal transformations are amazing.

We couldn't achieve all we have without our exceptional staff and the many dedicated volunteers and supporters like you, who help each of the individuals we serve achieve a life well lived.

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Barbara Salisbury
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- Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association, for supporting the Ivy Street School's vocational skills program.
- 2 Habitat for Humanity The ReStore, for providing meaningful work opportunities for lyy Street School students.
- **3** Laura Liscum, for her dedication, reliability, and sincerity as a 1:1 MABVI volunteer for over 20 years.
- 4 The Li Family, Honoring Dayu and Michael Li for volunteering as a family in the MABVI Volunteer Program.
- **5** Tufts Health Plan, for their mission of improving the health and wellness of the MAB Community and every community.
- 6 Massachusetts Association of Councils on Aging, for leadership that educates, empowers, and advocates on behalf of all seniors.
- **7** Talya Nevo-Hacohen and Bill Schenker, for their commitment to person-centered planning.
- 8 Michelle Garcia Winner, for transforming the lives of young adults on the autism spectrum.
- **9** Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School, for being a wonderful partner in education for students.













# A YEAR UNFOLDS

Partnering with the community to invest in people and build the field



MAB Community Services is committed to creating opportunities and transforming the lives of individuals with a range of disabilities. Since 1903 MAB has focused on providing the support programs and services necessary for everyone to live full and satisfying lives.

**1** Emello Family Honored – Ribbon Cutting of the Dominic and Rita Emello Training Center at MAB Adult Disability Services.

**2** Person-Centered Planning – Talya Nevo-Hacohen and Bill Schenker donate \$75,000 to launch initiative so each individual can lead the life they want to live.

**3** Michelle Garcia Winner – "Social Thinking®" founder and CEO shares strategies on transition practices that work. www

4 John Griffin Awarded Scholarship – The first recipient of Recruitment and Retention Initiative awarded the Emello Family/Boston University staff development scholarship. www

**5** Ron Suskind's Special Invitation – Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Ron Suskind shares his family's remarkable story that became Life, Animated. Invites Ivy Street School to pilot Sidekicks app. www

**6** Assistive Technology Grand Opening – Volunteers teach individuals with vision loss how to use devices and technologies with the launch of two assistive technology centers. www

**7 Open House** – ADS opens a 19th group residence in Greater Boston. Four individuals move out of nursing homes to a community residence built to meet their medical and social needs.

**8** \$25,000 for Ivy Street School – The Barbara Epstein Foundation continues to transform the lives of Ivy Street School students.

**9** Transition to Adulthood Visiting Committee

– National experts, parents, and board members serve on a Visiting Committee to support the work of transition to adulthood.

**10** Young Adult Program Launched – A new Adult Disability Services program designed to meet the unique needs of individuals from their transition to adulthood program to age 22-25.

11 AIRA "Guides" Marathoner – Team With a Vision athlete Erich Manser runs the Boston Marathon using Aira. Smartglass and small camera technology allow Erich to connect with a remote agent who guided him the 26.2 miles.

12 A Meaningful Life Remembered – Bobby Dolan passed away March 20, 2017 at the age of 91 surrounded by dedicated caregivers from MAB Community Services. He lived a great life in the community. www













Helping individuals with disabilities live full and satisfying lives in the community, one house, job, or new skill at a time.



different buses and trains taken to explore Boston in the Young Adult Program

190 adults with disabilities served

163
tickets bought for community
events as part of person
centered plans

emerging leader workshops for staff professional development



hours spent gardening at Allston Community Garden



individuals involved in creating their own personcentered plans

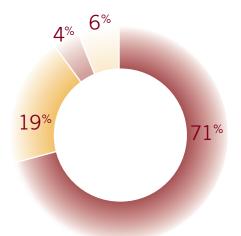


fulfilled the dream of ADS resident to take his first flight ever to visit his mother

# MABADULT DISABILITY SERVICES

# **Total Expenses**

Payroll	71%
Housing/Rent	19%
Direct Program Support	4%
Telecommunications,	
Training, Printing, Misc	6%

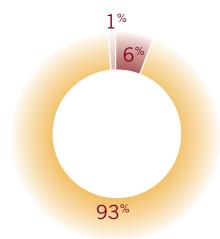


Total: \$13,431,806\*

\*excluding Administration and Fundraising

### 2017 Revenue

Federal Contracts/Reimbursement	6%
State Contracts9	3%
Contributions	1%



Total: \$14,174,185







Serving day and residential students with brain injuries, autism, or behavioral health challenges. Caring staff focus on the skills each student needs to make a successful transition to adult life.



young adults aged 16-26 in Skills For Life — an individualized home and community-based life skill development service www

business partnerships for employment, volunteering, job shadowing

Ivy Street teachers earned their Masters in Special Education from George Washington University

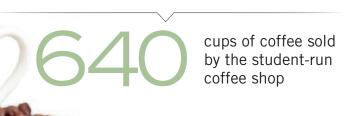
students served



students launch a new technology team with training from the Brookline Interactive Group thanks to a Brookline Community Foundation grant www



Ivy Street student who emceed Extravaganza for the first time www

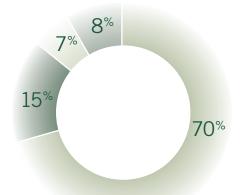


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# WY STREET S C H O O L

# Total Expenses

Payroll70	)%
Housing/Rent15	%
Direct Program Support7	′%
Telecommunications, Training, Printing,	
Misc8	3%

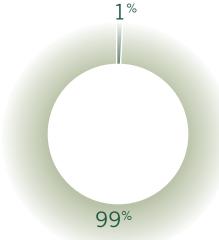


Total: \$5,895,412\*

\*excluding Administration and Fundraising

### 2017 Revenue

Tuition	99%
Contributions and Special Events	1%



Total: \$6,490,276







Supports individuals so they successfully adapt to living with vision loss. Through vision rehabilitation, an expanding volunteer program, statewide peer support groups, and assistive technology centers, MABVI creates innovative programs.



46,275 miles traveled by occupational therapists making 1772 visits — the equivalent of driving from Portland, Oregon to Portland, Maine, 15 times

age of oldest assistive tech student



new Spanish language low vision support group

volunteers providing over 10,000 hours of service in the 1:1, family, and assistive tech

volunteer programs www

donated by Highland Street Foundation for Assistive Technology Initiative

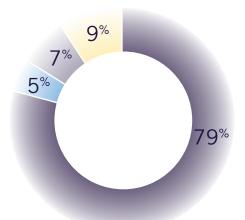
hours spent by MAB on the Move in the community



# **Blind and Visually Impaired**

# **Total Expenses**

Payroll 79%	ó
Housing/Rent 5%	0
Direct Program Support7%	0
Telecommunications, Training, Printing,	
Misc. 9%	0

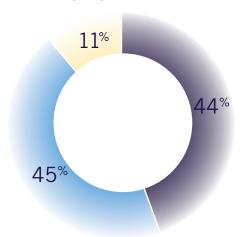


Total: \$1,373,180\*

\*excluding Administration and Fundraising

### 2017 Revenue

Government/Reimbursement	.44%
Contributions	.45%
Special Events (Net)	.11%



Total: \$1,636,785







For over 24 years, Team With A Vision (TWAV) has helped inspire athletes who are blind and visually impaired to realize their dream of running the Boston Marathon, along with an extraordinary group of volunteer sighted guides. Now a year-round program that supports athletes at multiple races, TWAV is one component of MABVI's healthy living initiative. Our goal is to make sure everyone we serve has access to a life well lived.





235

volunteer hours from our Delta Gamma Foundation and National Charity League supporters

\$236K

raised by TWAV thanks to 15 bibs from the Boston Athletic Association and the amazing work of our team of fundraisers www





furthest miles traveled for marathon [768]

(India to Boston) www

athletes who raced year-round with Team with a Vision at four different races

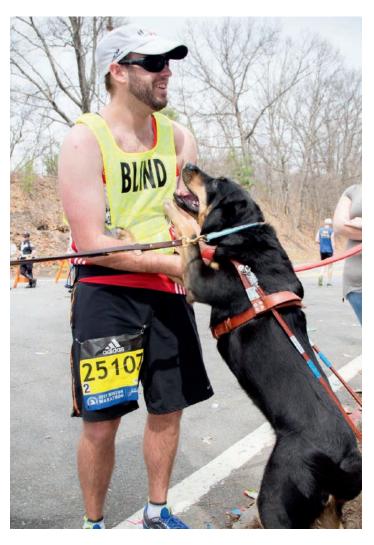
Boston Marathon marathon race medals earned



# With the right support, anything is possible

TEAM WITH A VISION

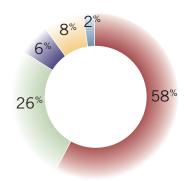






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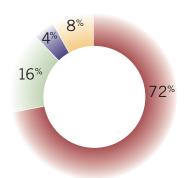
Year End June 30, 2017



# Total Expenses by Program

Adult Disability Services	58%
Ivy Street School	26%
Mass Association for the Blind	6%
Administration and Marketing	8%
Fundraising	2%

Total: \$23,094,027

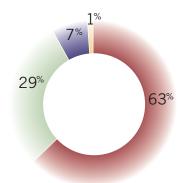


# Total Expenses by Cost Center

Payroll	72%
Housing/Rent	16%
Direct Program Support	4%
Telecommunications,	
Training, Printing, Misc	8%

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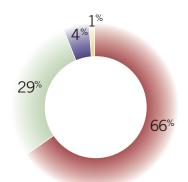
Total: \$23,094,027



# Total Revenue by Program

Adult Disability Services	63%
Ivy Street School	29%
Mass Association for the Blind	7%
Unrestricted	1%

Total: \$22,525,953



# Total Revenue by Source

Government/Reimbursement	66%
Tuition	29%
Contributions	4%
Special Events (Net)	1%

Total: \$22,525,953

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#### \$100,000+

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#### \$50,000+

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