Mission Statement

Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau seeks to affirm the dignity of each person we serve and to carry a message of hope to vulnerable persons of all ages, regardless of race, color, creed, or ethnic origin. Our goal is to protect and nurture disadvantaged children and individuals with disabilities, to increase their prospects for self-sufficiency, to strengthen the family structures integral to their support, and to continually adapt our responses to their ever-changing needs.

Specifically, we collaborate with others in the public and voluntary sectors to offer professional and compassionate care to needy individuals and groups through a broad array of community-based programs; these include preventive services, foster care, adoption, day care, shelter care for homeless women, maternity services, and residential living for the developmentally disabled.
Dear Friends:

Deep poverty is at the source of many of the challenges that the majority of people served by CGSHB face. Because of poverty, families and individuals experience tremendous stress which for some leads to isolation, drug and alcohol abuse, child maltreatment, domestic violence, and homelessness. Not only does CGSHB respond to the urgent needs for child protection and family rehabilitation, but our services also aim to help address the root cause – poverty.

CGSHB looks deeply into the lives of the thousands of people we touch each year. We understand that they wish for productive and happy lives. They want to be safe, healthy, educated, gainfully employed, to have families, and to be able to fulfill their hopes and dreams. They ask for family and friends that will love and help, and not harm them. They come to us with their hands out-stretched, trusting that we will help.

CGSHB, with its skilled and devoted staff and caregivers, is the agent that helps to make all of this possible. The heart of CGSHB responds with great care and compassion.

Life is so busy for many of us. We rush about tending to the many demands and obligations of our lives. We are thankful when we have time to rest and reflect upon our many blessings. When we have these precious moments, we often turn to loving family and friends and to our communities to enjoy them with. At the same time, when we are rushing about, it is important to be aware that often the people next to us, perhaps sitting on the subway or bus, or passing by on the sidewalk, are in great need. Some of them are in need of the services that CGSHB can provide.

CGSHB has been serving thousands of people in great need each year for the past 113 years. That translates into hundreds of thousands of people served. It’s reassuring to know that they are receiving quality and compassionate care.

I invite you to come and look at some of the lives made better because of CGSHB. And, I thank all of the dedicated staff, caregivers, community partners, supporters, donors, and CGSHB’s Board of Directors for making this good work possible.

Most sincerely,

Craig Longley
Acting Executive Director
CGSHB serves many of the neediest people in the New York City metropolitan area. We protect and nurture disadvantaged children and individuals with disabilities, increase their prospects for self-sufficiency, strengthen the family structures integral to their support, and continually adapt our responses to their ever-changing needs.

Sometimes, even in these troubled economic times, it is difficult to comprehend how challenging life is for many of the families we serve. Here in New York, one of the wealthiest cities in the world, almost 21% of the population lives in poverty as measured by an income of just $19,090 for a family of three. In those neighborhoods where so many CGSHB families live, the situation is even worse. A full one-third of Bronx residents, for example, live in poverty.

Innocent children, as always, are the hardest hit. Nearly 30% of all New York City children are in families living in poverty ... and are threatened by the social maladies it engenders – homelessness, domestic violence, and child abuse and neglect. It is shocking to realize that 19,000 children sleep in NYC homeless shelters every night, including two operated by CGSHB.

Life is equally challenging for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Regardless of economic circumstances, all of these parents worry

10,000 Vulnerable New Yorkers in Need
about their children’s future security once they themselves no longer can provide care. And, all too often, these families must confront both developmental disabilities and the scourge of poverty.

In response, CGSHB develops and delivers high impact, high quality programs and services to assist these children, individuals, and families in crisis. We help them stabilize their lives and build towards a safe, secure and self-sufficient future.

We employ trained professionals who are deeply committed to achieving significant, positive outcomes for the people who come to us for help. We work with policy makers, practitioners, researchers and academia to find and implement “best practice” programs – including many which are “evidence-based” with nationally-recognized track records of success.

With over 1,200 employees deployed across 6 offices and 40 residential facilities, CGSHB serves thousands of people in need every day.

Our goal today is the same as it has been for 113 years -- to have a meaningful influence on the lives of infants, children, youth, and adults and to provide them with the life changing help they need... at a time when they need it most.

2,500 Helping Hands
Rosalie Hall Maternity Services

There are few more desperate situations than those faced by women who are pregnant, without resources and support – some homeless and victims of domestic violence.

Rosalie Hall Maternity Services helps these women and their children to overcome the potential threats of homelessness, lack of health care, inadequate nutrition, uncertain citizenship status, educational deficiencies, unemployment, mental health challenges and domestic abuse.

RHMS assists young mothers to access pre- and post-natal health care, as well as nutrition assistance, in order to ensure the safe delivery of their baby.

RHMS helps women to develop a realistic life plan for how they will support and care for their child, including education, employment, and child care considerations. RHMS refers mothers to appropriate governmental benefits and supports and, where necessary, provides direct donations of baby clothes, maternity furniture and child care supplies.

RHMS’ new Parenting Journey classes are a nationally-recognized program that helps parents who may never have been nurtured themselves learn to raise and care for their own children. The Parenting Journey works through example by giving parents the love and support they may have missed when they were children. Over meals in a warm and supportive environment, parents are encouraged to care for themselves and each other while participating in a series of experiential exercises and activities that teach them concrete skills – and how to be loving parents.

For women who believe they are not in a position to raise a child themselves, RHMS offers counseling on “The Adoption Option”. RHMS assists young mothers in all aspects of placing a child for adoption, including selection of adoptive parents, legal referrals, choosing an appropriate level of “openness” in the adoption, and pre- and post-adoption counseling.

While thousands of young women in New York may be pregnant and without sufficient resources, CGSHB believes that they never need be alone. Rosalie Hall Maternity Services is there to help them get their family off to a safe and healthy start.

779 Young Mothers Helped
128 Cribs Donated to Families
For Her Daughter’s Future

Fatema made the decision to flee her war-torn African homeland after learning that she was pregnant with a baby girl. She didn’t want her daughter to grow up facing the same persecution and torture that she had.

Once in the United States, however, the culture shock, her dire circumstances and anxiety over the imminent birth of her daughter all became overwhelming. She knew she needed help – but had nowhere to turn. Thankfully, a hospital social worker referred her to CGSHB’s Rosalie Hall Maternity Services (RHMS).

Kaci Krpec, her RHMS social worker, helped her seek legal asylum in the U.S. as a victim of torture. Throughout the lengthy application process, RHMS met Fatema’s most urgent needs for food, housing, health care and baby supplies. In addition, Kaci offered counseling, parenting education and emotional support.

“What stands out the most about Fatema, despite her struggles, is her ability to stay positive,” says Kaci. “You can always count on her to come into the office smiling and graciously thanking everyone for all the help she has been given.” It is no coincidence that her adorable daughter seems to carry these same exceptional traits. “At eight months now, she is always calm, sweet, and smiling from ear to ear,” says Kaci.

“I’m just so grateful to have found you all,” says Fatema. “You’ve done so much for me and my baby. I find myself crying sometimes because I am just so happy to have you around me and my baby.”
The Miracle of Adoption

Every year, CGSHB adoptions permanently transform hundreds of lives – both for children who are alone in the world and for men and women who wish to give them a loving family.

In FY2012, we arranged for the adoption of 119 children who previously had been placed in foster care. In many cases, these were children who had already suffered through parental abuse or neglect, and subsequently been abandoned.

When a return home is not possible, CGSHB places children with foster families who have expressed an interest in adoption. We identify potential adoptive parents whose interests and capabilities are appropriate for the particular needs of an individual foster care child.

Our Rosalie Hall Maternity Services (RHMS) Division facilitates both international and domestic adoptions.

The RHMS International Adoption Program is accredited under the Hague Convention on Protection of Children with Respect to Inter-Country Adoption. We work with orphanages and/or national authorities in Bulgaria and the Dominican Republic. As a “waiting child” placement agency, we locate families in the NYC area who wish to adopt children from these countries who have already been approved by local authorities as in need of international adoption.

We have also worked with Hague accredited partner agencies to facilitate adoptions of children from Russia and Ethiopia. And, we provide the necessary home assessment and local supervision necessary for families to complete “kinship adoptions” of relatives from the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Guyana, Panama and Haiti.

Our Domestic Adoptions include a Private Adoption program through which we match the children of young women in our RHMS program who choose the “Adoption Option” with prospective adoptive parents. We reach out to a broad range of nonprofit agencies, attorneys, social workers, medical personnel, and clergy members in order to make our services widely available.

Through the miracle of adoption, we create new and “forever families.”

| Foster Care Children Adopted | 119 |
| International & Domestic Adoption Home Studies Completed | 48 |
Searching for a Happy Ending

Shawnisha Ford would seem to have it all. At the age of 12, she is a four-time honor roll student, friendly and popular, who likes to write poetry and short stories. She loves to dance, and enjoys macaroni and cheese. When she grows up, Shawnisha hopes to become a teacher, a pediatrician... or maybe a poet. She is already thinking about college. Last year, she visited Penn State and the University of Connecticut.

There is only one thing missing: a family of her own.

Shawnisha was placed in foster care in 2005. In 2009, her case was transferred to CGSHB.

“She is one of the most articulate and motivated children I have ever met,” says Case Planner Thomas Harris who has worked with Shawnisha since then.

Now, Mr. Harris and Adoption Specialist Shawn Lightburn are working hard to make sure that Shawnisha gets that permanent loving home she deserves. She was recently profiled in the Wednesday’s Child segment of WNBC-TV News, which highlights local children seeking adoptive homes, and lit up the switchboard.

It seems, however, that Shawnisha’s future family may have been waiting a little closer to home. The mother of her best friend has indicated that the family would like to adopt Shawnisha. A Pre-Adoptive Home Study is underway. That would be poetry!
CGSHB’s Foster Family and Residential Care programs offer immediate safety, as well as a path to permanent security, for children who are temporarily unable to live at home with their families due to a risk of abuse or neglect.

Approximately 700 carefully trained foster families provide warm and caring homes for more than 1,000 children in Manhattan and the Bronx. Our larger and professionally-staffed residential programs are available for children who are older and require higher levels of therapeutic services.

Our primary goal is to help families resolve any issues which may be an obstacle to reunification. We offer counseling and referrals for parenting skills training, substance abuse treatment, mental health services, housing and employment programs, etc. In FY2012, we were successful in safely reuniting 425 children with their families – 25% of those placed in our care.

In cases where reunification is not possible, we assist children in finding new homes through adoptive families.

In addition to traditional foster family settings, we offer specialized foster care programs to meet the varying therapeutic needs of children in our care:

• Our Kinship Family Foster Care program allows children to be placed with loving family members – grandparents, aunts, uncles, older siblings, cousins, etc.
• Treatment Family Foster Care serves over 100 children with serious emotional challenges.
• Our new Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care (MTFC) Program serves adolescents with serious antisocial or delinquent behaviors and/or juvenile justice involvement.
• Our Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Group Homes are community-based alternatives to psychiatric hospital placement, in which youth are provided with comprehensive mental health services.
• Young women in foster care who have children of their own or are pregnant are served by our Rosalie Hall Maternity Services program.

1,699 Children Secure in Caring Foster Homes
425 Children Safely Reunited with Their Families
Angelee Camacho has a goal. She realized while in high school that she wanted to become a Special Education Teacher. Now, the 19-year-old is working hard to make that dream a reality as a Junior at Wells College in Aurora, NY.

CGSHB first began working with Angelee six years ago when she entered foster care and began living with her aunt, as a result of her family’s chronic addiction to drugs and alcohol.

For too many children, early childhood traumas that ultimately require foster care placement create an overwhelming emotional obstacle to success and happiness later in life. With the help of her aunt and CGSHB, Angelee has been able to overcome these extraordinary challenges that so often lead to academic failure, unemployment and homelessness.

Angelee’s ambition to teach comes as no surprise to Caroline Duran, her CGSHB Case Planner who has known her since 2010. “She always encourages her younger siblings to read and perform well in school,” says Ms. Duran. Meanwhile, Angelee is doing pretty well herself. “I made the Dean’s List last year,” she explains.

Angelee keeps busy and active even when not hitting the books. She enjoys reading, dancing and sports. And, she has a job at the local movie theater.

While Angelee misses her aunt, she knows that going away to college is an important step in life. “My aunt always told me that you have to grow up to be your own person,” she says.
Youth Development

For far too many foster care youth, the transition to adulthood at age 21 has meant a life of unemployment and homelessness. At CGSHB, we are working hard to make certain that our children enjoy a significantly brighter future.

Our Youth Development Department prepares all youth in our foster care program between the ages of 14-21 to become physically and emotionally healthy, socially and economically self-reliant, as well as educationally and vocationally prepared for a successful future.

Youth Development and Education Specialists provide referrals for tutorial services, Special Education programs, GED services, and pre- and post- college admissions support.

Our Preparing Youth for Adulthood skills trainings offer real world preparation for the challenges of living independently, including money management, health and nutrition, accessing community resources, and finding housing.

Career planning, vocational training and work experience are particularly critical.

A few years ago, CGSHB launched an exciting new collaboration with Swissport, a major international provider of ground services at airports. Through this partnership, we are able to offer our own foster care youth as well as those from other local foster care agencies – training and valuable entry-level employment in the rapidly expanding travel, transportation and hospitality industry. CGSHB provides initial screening and pre-employment preparation; Swissport offers job-specific skills training and paid positions in its wide array of operations at John F. Kennedy International Airport.

CGSHB has developed a Culinary Arts Program for older foster care youth interested in pursuing careers in the restaurant and food services industry. We offer a series of trainings through the Institute for Culinary Education in Manhattan at which young people learn kitchen fundamentals. We also are exploring ways to expand our program through collaborations with organizations such as the Careers through Culinary Arts Program (C-CAP) and Women’s Housing and Economic Development Corporation (WHEDco) in the Bronx.

55 Youth Attending College

2,664 Hours of Tutoring
Gateway to the World

Danielle Rivera is going places. Since leaving foster care last May, the 22-year-old has been serving as a ground hostess for a variety of airlines at John F. Kennedy International Airport.

“Right now I’m working with Singapore Airlines,” she says. “I check people in for their flights, take their baggage, give them their boarding passes and help them to board the plane.”

Danielle’s entry-level position – a critical first step towards a real career in the travel/transportation/hospitality industry – has been made possible through CGSHB’s partnership with Swissport, an international provider of ground services at airports around the globe. During the past year alone, Danielle already has had experience with several Swissport clients – Royal Air Maroc, Meridian Airways, Hellenic and XL Airways France.

“I love working at the airport,” says Danielle. “Every day I meet different people who are travelling all over the world.”

For the moment, Danielle is logging plenty of miles right here in NYC, commuting from her apartment in the Bronx to both JFK and Borough of Manhattan Community College, where she soon will be graduating with an Associate’s Degree. “I travel to three different boroughs every day,” she says.

Danielle Rivera’s reward for the hard work and “frequent flier” subway miles will be more than just a one-time upgrade to first class. It’s a passport to an infinitely bigger world and a boarding pass for a good career and a better life.
Family Day Care

CGSHB’s Family Day Care program has been a win-win-win for poor and low income Bronx families for almost a quarter century.

- Children participate in a carefully structured program that is both educational and recreational. They learn to socialize with children their own age, under adult supervision, while also preparing for future success in school when they move on to kindergarten and the first grade.
- Parents can work or attend school knowing that their children are safe and well cared for in a high-quality program that is matched to their ability to pay;
- Our trained and licensed Family Day Care Providers have the opportunity to develop their own home-based small business, earning a good income for their families while also meeting a critical community need.

Our program offered up to ten hours per day of care, five days per week, for children aged 6 months up to age 13. Care is provided in the homes of Family Day Care Providers who are recruited, trained and supervised by CGSHB. All providers are licensed by the New York City Department of Health (DOH).

Providers offer a structured educational program as well as indoor and outdoor recreation on a daily basis. They provide two full course meals and one snack that are reimbursed by the DOH.

CGSHB’s Family Day Care Program is a supplemental child welfare program. Eligibility is determined based on income guidelines and/or policies set by the NYC Administration for Children’s Services. Parents or guardians must be employed, seeking employment, and/or attending school or a training program. Family day care also is offered to foster parents and to parents of children who may be at risk of foster care placement.

During FY2012, our 105 Family Day Care Providers cared for 467 children every day.

971,360 Hours of Quality Child Care
105 Providers with Businesses of Their Own
Families Helping Families

Family Child Care offers many women an opportunity to build their own small business – while also providing a valuable service to their community. Five days a week for the last 12 years, Denia Lopez has opened her home and looked after her neighbors’ children from 8:00 in the morning until 6:00 in the afternoon.

“These mothers would not be able to go to work if we weren’t here,” she explains.

For Denia, however, Family Child Care is also something of a family tradition. “My mother had a child care business when I was growing up,” she says. “I used to help out. And, I found out that I liked it and wanted to do it too.”

After beginning as a Family Child Care provider for six children, Denia expanded to Group Family Child Care serving up to 12. She brought in her husband, Amaruy, as a partner. “I wanted a helper I could trust,” she says.

CGSHB provides referrals, oversight and the training Denia and other providers are mandated to receive as part of the licensing process. “We want to ensure these children are ready when they go to kindergarten,” says Denia.

And, perhaps, the generational cycle is about to repeat itself. “Now, my kids are helping me out afterschool,” she says.
Family Support Services

Children do best when living at home with parents who love them. Our Family Support Services programs help families to overcome the challenges of poverty, unemployment, homelessness, mental illness, substance abuse and/or domestic violence which can place a child at risk of abuse or neglect.

Professionally trained Case Managers provide parents with counseling, guidance and support while ensuring the child’s safety, thereby avoiding any further trauma that can come with a removal and foster care placement.

Our Family First and Family Unity Preventive Services Programs bring safety and stability to over 1,000 families annually in the Parkchester/Soundview and Williamsbridge/Baychester sections of the Bronx.

Our Parenting Journey Training allows parents to improve their parenting skills by exploring and then addressing the impact of their own childhood family experiences.

Other specially-designed services meet the particular needs of individual families:

- Intensive Preventive and After-Care Services (IPAS) is a unique comprehensive program using Functional Family Therapy, a nationally recognized therapeutic model, in reducing recidivism for youthful offenders.
- Healthy Families Parkchester is an evidence-based program which ensures the healthy development of children from before birth to three years of age.
- The Family Unity Program now focuses its interventions on families affected by substance abuse and mental illness.

The safety of children is always our first priority. Once that is assured, we believe that preserving and strengthening their families as a whole is the best way to give children opportunities for a safe, happy and successful future.

1,092 Families Stabilized

9,062 Total In-Home Visits
A Mother’s Love

Life is filled with challenges for many young mothers. The birth of a child can be both a joyous ... and a difficult... time. When Wendy Pagan gave birth to her son Jose, staff at the hospital were concerned that she might not be able to appropriately care for her new baby.

After a referral to New York City’s Administration for Children’s Services, Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau was called in to help ensure that Wendy and her husband Jose, Sr. would have the help they needed... and that little Jose could remain safely at home with his parents.

CGSHB Preventive Case Planner Lovy C. Dorceus, B.S. has been working with the Pagans during the past several months, helping to ensure that Wendy receives appropriate medical care. Ms. Dorceus also enrolled the couple in parenting classes and other appropriate programs.

“The Pagans have been extremely receptive to services,” says Ms. Dorceus. “Mrs. Pagan is doing well, taking her medications and keeping her doctors’ appointments. Mr. Pagan has been willing to participate in the workshops and classes we recommend. The whole family is doing very well.”

“I love my baby,” says Wendy. “I am the mother of my baby and no one could love him more than me.”
Shelter for Homeless Women and Children

Sadly, the vast majority of New York City homeless shelter residents are mothers and children. Many of these women find themselves in need of transitional housing due to economic stress. They lose their jobs; then they lose their apartments. Many others, however, are fleeing lives filled with domestic violence or substance abuse in the hopes of building a new future for themselves and their children.

CGSHB offers shelter for a total of 26 women and their children at the Mother Elizabeth Seton Residence and the Mitty Transitional Housing Program on any one day. Both of these residential programs are located in the Bronx and accept women and their children who are referred by the NYC Department of Homeless Services.

In addition to safe and secure housing, each of the CGSHB residential programs offers a full range of counseling and support services to help young mothers and women in crisis build a happy and successful future for their families. We provide assessments, counseling and referrals to outside resources for education, employment and permanent housing, as well as parenting skills and substance abuse/mental health services where needed.

Our programs also take special steps to address the well documented health risks associated with homelessness. An estimated one-third of homeless mothers have chronic health conditions such as asthma, chronic bronchitis, cardiovascular disease and hypertension. One third of infants who are born into homelessness lack the essential immunizations and face increased risk for infectious diseases. Poor diets also lead to nutritional problems such as stunted growth, obesity, and vitamin deficiencies. Our on-site Registered Nurse affords each family with much-needed medical services as well as referrals to immunizations, mental health, nutrition, dental care, smoking cessations, and developmental screenings. She also advocates for clients who are changing health plans.

At CGSHB, our transitional housing for women and children is only temporary. Yet, we believe the services we provide to these families during their stay can have a positive impact that will last a lifetime.

130 Individuals Received Shelter Services
32 Moved to Permanent Housing
Safety for Her Children’s Sake

Tashiea had been living with family - and her 18-month-old daughter Rihver - when she knew it was time to find help.

“Family members had relapsed,” she explains, her eyes reliving a lifetime of pain from family struggles with drug addiction. “There were all sorts of people coming and going at all hours. It was an unsafe environment for my daughter. I needed to find someplace safe.”

New York City’s Department of Homeless Services referred her to Catholic Guardian’s Mitty Transitional Housing program in the Bronx, where she received the support she needed to get her life back on track.

With two years of college already under her belt, Catholic Guardian helped Tashiea plan to begin a nursing program at Bronx Community College in September. And, she is on the waiting list for semipermanent housing available for eligible students.

At 26 Tashiea knows what she wants - a safe and secure life for Rihver and her new baby boy, due any time. She also knows - what she has to do to get it. “I want to go to school and get a career,” she says.

One thing that Tashiea never wanted to do was drugs. “I saw what it did to my family,” she explains sadly.
CGSHB is both home and family for almost 200 individuals with developmental disabilities. They live in our 32 community-based residential and respite programs throughout New York City and Long Island, where they are cared for by our deeply committed and caring direct support staff.

Many of these consumers have lived with us for decades, coming to CGSHB following the closure of large State institutions. Others joined us when loving but aging family members were no longer able to provide appropriate care at home. The individuals we serve live with a wide range of challenges, including Autism Spectrum Disorders, Down syndrome, Cerebral Palsy and more.

All of our residential programs are geared to the varying and individual needs and ability levels of the residents. Several programs serve those who are multiply disabled, including our long-standing residence for individuals who are both developmentally disabled and blind; a new and growing program for consumers who are also deaf; and one of our newest homes for those who have recently aged out of foster care.

CGSHB’s mission is to assist all of our residents – including those with the most severe disabilities -- to live the fullest, most rewarding life possible. Our staff support individuals in becoming a part of their local community. They go to day programs; work as volunteers or in paid jobs; attend school; and participate in a broad range of recreational and cultural activities. Our consumers do everything from playing soccer and going bowling, to visiting the Museum of Modern Art and traveling to Hungary to represent the United States at a special camp for people with disabilities. Most recently, we began offering paid apprenticeships for consumers so that they could have valuable work experience to put on their resumes. They work with us for 6 months, gain valuable employment skills and experience, and then seek jobs in the open market.

At CGSHB, we help our residents make their dreams come true.

71,175 Residential Care Days Provided

420 Days of Respite for Family Caregivers
Kash Brown has a big smile and an even bigger heart. You can sense his inner strength in the way he carries himself -- despite the developmental challenges, the pain of losing his mother at the age of 9, and growing up in foster care.

And, you can hear it... this blend of sensitivity and determination... in the three rap CDs he has written and produced over the last five years.

*I know things don’t happen that easy… Got to work hard for whatever you want. It’s the story of my life. It’s a struggle but I can’t give up! It’s the story of my life.*

Kash is an artist and a young man making a very special place in the world. At 27, he now shares an apartment with two other individuals who also rely on a range of supports from CGSHB’s Developmental Disabilities Services Program.

Kash’s goal, however, is to live independently – and CGSHB is helping to make it happen. He recently graduated with a certificate from the Global Business Institute and works several days a week as an assistant at the agency’s Bronx Foster Care office.

“I want to have a nice career and be able to support what I love to do… my music,” he says. That, Kash has decided for himself, will be the *story of his life.*
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY SERVICES:

Residential Programs
• Geriatric Services
• Services for Dual-Diagnosed Consumers
• Services for the Blind
• Services for the Deaf
• Services for the Non-Ambulatory
• Respite Care

ROSALIE HALL MATERNITY SERVICES:
• Maternity and Mother-Child Residences
• Pre- and Post-Natal Care
• Mentoring and Peer-to-Peer Counseling
• Parenting Resource Center
• Parenting Options Counseling
• Domestic and International Adoption Services

CHILD WELFARE SERVICES:

Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services
• General Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Services
• Family Treatment and Rehabilitation
• Intensive Prevention and Aftercare Services (IPAS)
• Healthy Families New York
Programs

Foster Boarding Home Services
- Regular Foster Care and Adoption Services
- Foster Family Care for Children with Special and Exceptional Needs
- Foster Family Care for Teens
- Specialized Foster Care for Children with HIV/AIDS
- Specialized Foster Care for Children with Special Medical Conditions and Developmental Disabilities
- Therapeutic Foster Care for Mentally Ill Youth

Residential Treatment Services
- Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Homes
- Maternity and Mother-Child Residence

Child Welfare Program Support Services
- Medical and Mental Health Services
- Youth Development Services
- Substance Abuse Prevention Services

FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES:
- Family Day Care Services
- Family Shelter Services
- “Bridges To Health” Foster Care Waiver Services
The Mary Jane Ridder Luncheon was established to honor the memory of an exceptional woman who gave unstintingly of herself to advance the good work of Rosalie Hall, which was founded by the Misericordia Sisters in 1887 and continues to give mothers and mothers-to-be all of the practical assistance they need to ensure their own and their newborns’ well-being.

For years, Mary Jane Ridder arranged for baby showers for women and children and she and her husband Victor reached out to friends and colleagues to support not only these and other special events but Rosalie Hall as well. In addition, Victor organized a Scout troop for homeless boys in New York City and Mary Jane was social minister at Saints John and Paul parish in Larchmont, New York and a patient advocate at two Catholic hospitals in the Bronx.

Today, the Mary Jane Ridder Luncheon is maintained in loving memory of Mary Jane and in recognition of her legacy of extraordinary personal care and giving and the personification of the mission of Rosalie Hall. Through emulation of her acts of charity, Westchester

Friends of Rosalie Hall come together to raise awareness and much needed funds so that the mission of serving women facing unintended pregnancies and mothers to-be in need of vital assistance may continue.

On June 7, 2012, the Mary Jane Ridder Spring Luncheon and Boutique was held at The Larchmont Yacht Club and honored Sister Monique Lallier, Superior General, and the Misericordia Sisters of Montreal.

Because of their particular ministry, the Misericordia Sisters are involved in a society where, to this day, female heads of single parent families are often disadvantaged. All too frequently, they live isolated from supports that are needed and struggle to meet their needs and those of their child. On this difficult path, support services are made available to help them recover their autonomy, rediscover their strengths and regain their self-confidence and confidence in others.

CGSHB is honored to be a part of the legacy of Mary Jane Ridder and the Misericordia Sisters in this tradition of securing vital assistance to pregnant and parenting women and their children.

On October 4th, CGSHB hosted the 27th Annual Child of Peace Award Dinner to benefit Rosalie Hall Maternity Services. The evening was the most successful in our history, drawing more than 325 attendees and raising over $400,000 to support the agency’s work on behalf of mothers and newborns.

“Many things have changed since we began our work, but poor and low-income mothers still need crucial help with unintended pregnancies,” CGSHB Board Chairman Rory Kelleher told the audience. “What remains at the core of our mission is our readiness to respond to the needs of mothers and their newborns with such practical concrete resources as counseling in parenting options, parenting classes, access to pre- and post-natal care, help with immigration issues, mentoring, peer-to-peer counseling, aftercare services, safe new cribs, emergency assistance for food and rent, baby formula, baby clothes and related maternity items. This is compassion of the heart in action and we have been sharing it with mothers and children in need for over one hundred years.”

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York, offered the invocation.

The Dinner honored four outstanding New Yorkers for their support of the Rosalie Hall Maternity Services mission.

- Louis J. Cappelli, Chairman and CEO of Sterling Bancorp/Sterling National Bank, received the Child of Peace Award.
- Frances Florentino Imperial and Roger A. Imperial, II received the Humanitarian Award.
- The Reverend Robert Michael Dunn, Chaplain of the Jeanne Jugan Center in the Bronx received the Rosalie Cadron-Jetté Award for Courage and Compassion.
Louis J. Cappelli is a respected leader of the banking community and an active supporter of charitable organizations. He began working at Sterling while still in college and has spent his entire professional career at the Company, pursuing a path that led from the mailroom to Chairman and CEO, while guiding Sterling’s profitable growth to $2.5 billion in assets. Just a few examples of Mr. Cappelli’s extensive involvement in civic, charitable and ecumenical organizations include: AmeriCares humanitarian mission to Kosovo; American Association of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta; Board of Directors, Catholic Youth Organization; and the humanitarian mission to Honduras with the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta. Mr. Cappelli recently was awarded an Honorary Doctorate Degree of Humane Letters from his alma mater, Baruch College.

Roger Imperial is presently a Senior Consultant with Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc. He previously served as Vice Chairman of Acordia, Inc. and Senior Vice President of Wells Fargo Insurance Services of New York, Inc. He also held executive positions with the major brokerage firms of Marsh & McLennan, Willis, and AON.

Frances Florentino Imperial worked as a counselor for developmentally disabled youths early in her career for an 8 year period and later became a Vice President at Wells Fargo Insurance Brokerage Services, Inc. Frances and Roger Imperial give selflessly of their time and efforts to look after those who are disadvantaged.

Father Robert Michael Dunn entered the St. John Neumann Residence and graduated from Fordham University in 1988. He was ordained by Cardinal O’Connor and received his MA from St. Joseph’s Seminary, Dunwoodie in 1992. In July 2007, Father Dunn began his present assignment at the Jeanne Jugan Residence—a “place of grace,” as he calls it—where the Little Sisters of the Poor live out the Christian vocation to holiness to which God has called them. Father Dunn embodies the courage and compassion that Rosalie Cadron-Jetté brought to her ministry.
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Results of Operations for Year Ended June 30, 2012

Revenue from Operations.................................................. 82,171,961

Expenses
- Developmental Disability Services................................. 27,700,148
- Residential Treatment Services................................ 2,399,177
- Foster Boarding Home Services................................. 28,277,778
- Family Day Care.................................................. 4,703,467
- Family Shelter Care.............................................. 1,209,981
- Maternity Services Program..................................... 662,008
- Medical and Mental Health Services......................... 5,614,627
- Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Services............... 4,427,136
- Preparing Youth for Adulthood.................................. 925,166
- Bridges 2 Health.................................................. 4,220,530
- Aftercare Services............................................... 1,247,104
- Intensive Prevention & Aftercare Services (IPAS)........ 1,933,080
Total Expenses.......................................................... 83,320,202

Surplus from Operations................................................ (1,148,241)

Other Income and Support.................................................. 992,972
Investment Income...................................................... 49,620
Net Surplus........................................................................ (105,649)

Statement of Financial Position at June 30, 2012

Assets............................................................................... 31,357,283

Liabilities and Net Assets
- Total Liabilities.............................................................. 20,682,223
- Total Net Assets.......................................................... 10,675,060

Total Liabilities and Net Assets........................................... 31,357,283

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