



COMMONWEALTH AUTISM SERVICE

2009 ANNUAL REPORT



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leading the way

Dear Friends,

Commonwealth Autism Service is pleased to share highlights of our service activities for 2009 with all of our many stakeholders.

As you will note from a review of this report, it was another busy year for us and for autism activities in Virginia. This year saw the release of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission report on autism services in the Commonwealth and the launch of the “home” for autism at the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. Commonwealth Autism Service was and still is intimately involved in both these initiatives. During 2009 the Centers for Disease Control altered the prevalence rate for autism, increasing it from 1:150 to 1:110. At this new rate the potential is for more than 75,000 Virginians to be directly impacted by autism. When one considers family members, the number of Virginians affected climbs significantly higher.

During 2009 Commonwealth Autism Service continued to expand in response to growing needs in all spheres of the autism community. We expanded our unique embedded staff model – *Partnership for Capacity Development with Public Schools* as well as adding two new *Autism Action Groups* to this regional systems change model. Our *Transdisciplinary Diagnostic and Assessment Clinic* expanded capacity by 33%, and we helped develop a school-based clinic based on this model in the Shenandoah Valley Regional Program. New initiatives getting underway included – *The Learning Institute, Public Safety Training* and *The Asperger’s College Model*.

On behalf of our Board, Advisory Council and staff, we wish to thank you for your kind support of all we do on behalf of those we serve.

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FISCAL YEAR 2009 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

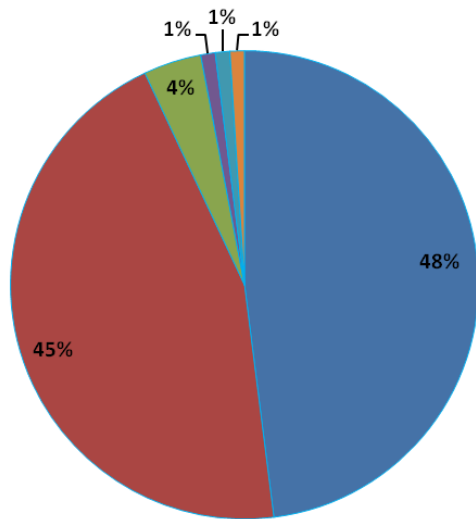
Ending June 30

Revenues

State support	\$ 750,000
Annual Conference and Workshops	64,000
Donations	17,000
Partnerships	699,000
Investments	23,000
Other	13,000
Total Revenues	\$1,566,000

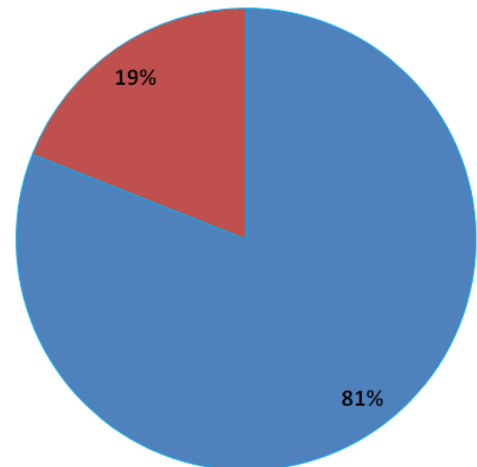
Expenditures

Program Services	\$1,275,750
Management & General	299,250
Total Expenditures	<u>\$1,575,000</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$ 9,000)



Revenue

- State support
- Partnerships
- Conference & Workshops
- Donations
- Investments
- Other



Expenses

- Program Services
- Management & General

2009 SERVICE STATISTICS

Information and referral calls	3,000+
Website visits	20,000+
Outgoing communications (phone calls, e-mails, faxes, etc.)	684
Trainings offered	503
Conferences and workshops offered	3
Total individuals trained	1,500+
Consultations and observations delivered (families, schools, organizations)	6,860
School divisions served:	
Long-term embedded model	28
Short-term	6

