

PACPI | PEDIATRIC AIDS CHICAGO
PREVENTION INITIATIVE



2018 Annual Report

A message from our leadership:

Dear Friends,

2018 was another successful year for PACPI! We had zero babies born positive, our Enhanced Case Management, 24/7 Illinois Perinatal HIV Hotline and prenatal classes continue to ensure that no woman or infant is left behind!

This year, PACPI served 75 women and their families and ensured 100% of them were linked to care. Zero of the babies were born HIV positive and 100% of babies received their medication. Additionally, 80% of moms made it to their HIV infectious disease post-partum appointment, which is 25% better than the national average.

This year, we hired two new case managers, which has allowed us to take on additional, more complex cases. We also expanded our strong partnerships with hospitals to ensure all moms and babies are tested. Finally, we began a new program, the New Mother's Initiative, in partnership with DIFFA/Chicago, which offers job training and educational opportunities to new moms. I could not be more proud of our accomplishments in 2018 and cannot wait to see what 2019 has in store!

Our Board is committed to diversifying our funding sources. We are actively pursuing funding opportunities with foundations, corporations, individuals and other private grants to ensure we can continue providing our valuable programs and services to the moms and babies who need it most.

I want to extend my thanks to every PACPI team member for your tireless efforts to serve PACPI moms and babies and your compassion and commitment to this incredible organization. Whether it is as a donor, community partner, or volunteer, we could not do this without your ongoing support. I, along with the Board and PACPI staff, look forward to the opportunities and successes that 2019 has to bring. Thank you again for your continued support!

Niyati Upadhyayula, PACPI Board Chair

Mission

PACPI aims to eliminate perinatal transmission of HIV and other infectious diseases and to support families by providing services and support in their environment and in the community without judgement, to promote health and well-being of the residents of Illinois and across the country. Note: PACPI officially changed its mission in February, 2019.

History

From 1990 to 1999, there were 88 known deaths among Illinois children due to complications of pediatric AIDS as a result of HIV transmission during pregnancy. In response to this epidemic, community and healthcare leaders from around the Chicagoland area congregated to devise an immediate plan to address the rising deaths among infants and children.

Thanks to a \$1 million grant from the Garrick Family Foundation, the Pediatric AIDS Chicago Prevention Initiative (PACPI) was established in 2000 to address the urgent needs of high-risk pregnant women living with HIV. First operating in Chicago due to higher prevalence rates, PACPI has made phenomenal strides in reducing the rate of perinatal HIV transmission and providing unsurpassed support to pregnant women and mothers living with HIV. Medical advances in perinatal HIV transmission and support from public and private funders allowed PACPI to expand our services and focus on the state's most vulnerable families and most challenging cases of perinatal HIV transmission.

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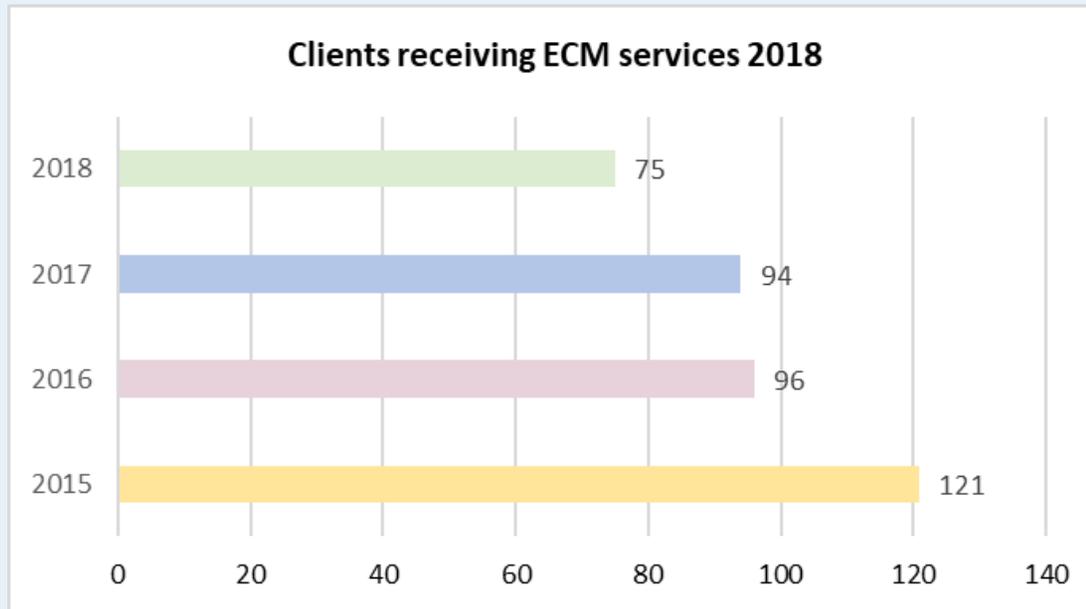
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Women Served in 2018

75 women and their families received PACPI's services in 2018

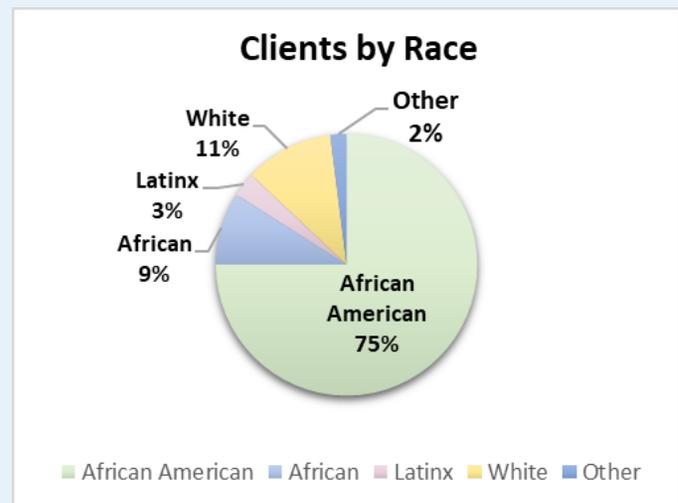
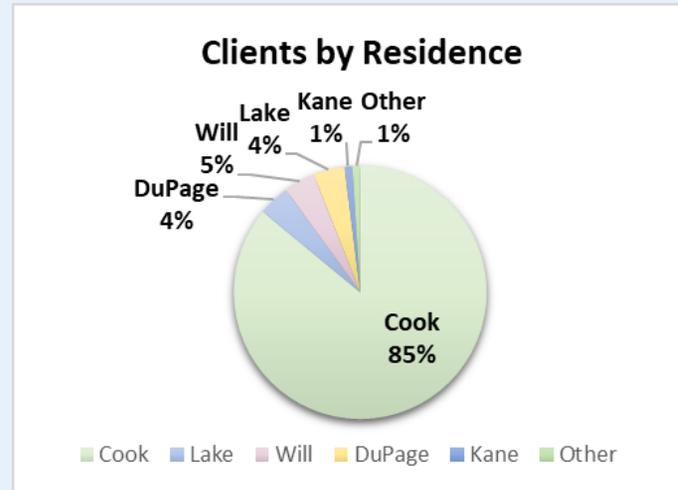


- 56 women were pregnant
- 44 women delivered
- 49 babies were born
- 8 women were diagnosed during pregnancy
- 3 women were diagnosed with the AIDS virus
- ZERO babies were born positive

Over the past four years, an average of 96 women and their families have received PACPI's services. In 2018, PACPI served 75 women. We are proud to announce that in 2018, zero babies were born positive. This is the second time in PACPI's history that we have been able to report none born positive.

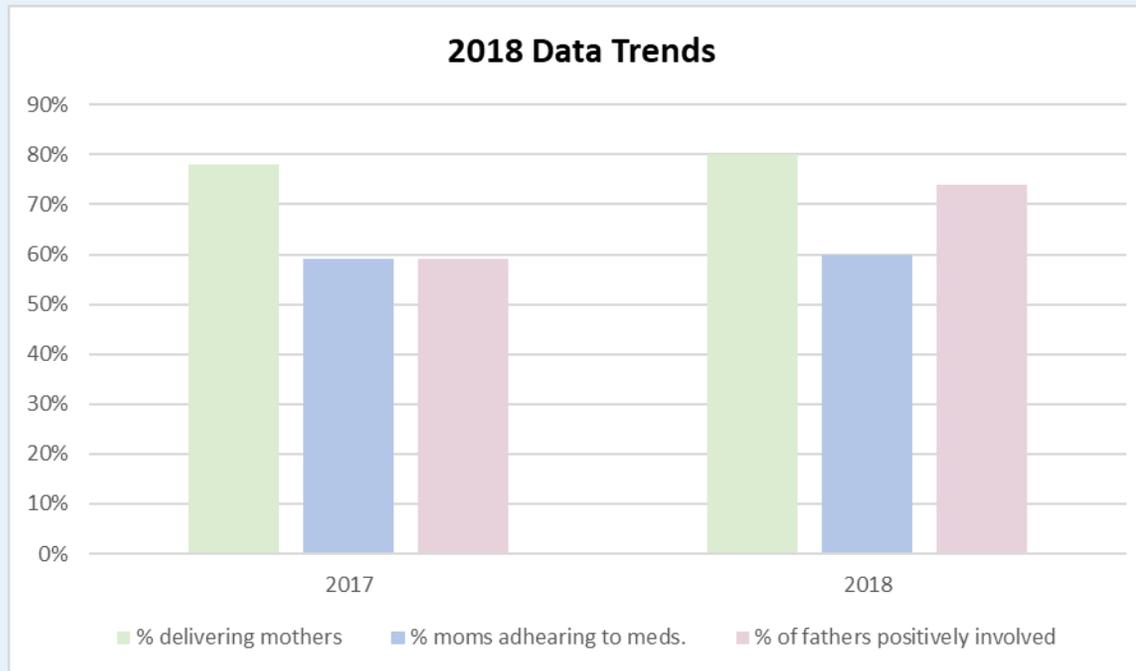
2018 Data Trends

PACPI Client Demographics in 2018



- Over 50% of delivering mothers were over the age of 30, a higher percentage than PACPI's average.
- 85% of women reside in the Chicagoland area.
- 9% of women were African, a higher percentage than 2017, which is attributed to an influx of refugee clients

2018 Data Trends



- 80% of PACPI moms kept their infectious disease appointment 90 days postpartum, which is 25% greater than the national average. This drastic difference could be due to PACPI’s transportation, quality of case management services, location of hospitals and prenatal education.
- 96% of delivering mothers received prenatal care, 32% higher than the national average.
- 50% of families who had a stable housing and a positively involved father were more likely to be consistent with medication and adhering to appointments.
- 74% of fathers were considered to be positively involved, which is the highest positive involvement in PACPI’s history.

PACPI Programs

Perinatal Enhanced Case Management

PACPI's perinatal enhanced case management program helps women access comprehensive health services to achieve the best outcomes for her and her child. In 2018, our seven case managers linked all 75 women living with HIV/AIDS to care. In 2018, approximately 8% of our clients learned their HIV status after becoming pregnant, so PACPI case managers met them at a time of great concern. PACPI case managers provide unique one-on-one support that creates trust and stewards the connection to vital healthcare for both mother and baby. Case managers communicate with each client on at least a weekly basis through home visits, phone calls, texts, and accompaniment on medical or social service appointments. For many women, HIV/AIDS is not the only battle they are fighting. This is why we are here.

24/7 Illinois Perinatal HIV Hotline

The Hotline provides real-time HIV medical consultation for perinatal care providers and social service providers for immediate linkage of newly diagnosed pregnant women to HIV and obstetric care. Hotline staff help provide follow-up of rapid HIV testing in labor and delivery units, and perinatal HIV enhanced case management services. 40% of PACPI referrals came from the 220 Hotline calls in 2018.

24/7 Illinois Perinatal HIV Hotline
GIVE BIRTH TO A FUTURE WITHOUT HIV/AIDS

Prenatal Classes

PACPI prenatal classes provide high-quality reproductive, maternal, and child health, as well as HIV education to women who are HIV positive regardless of their economic circumstances. Classes are free, taught by experienced medical and nutrition specialists in a small classroom setting, with an approach that promotes peer-based learning and health gains that are demonstrated to decrease the risk of transmission from mothers to their newborn babies.

Participants are encouraged to bring a support system, like a partner, mother, or friend who knows about their HIV status and will be with them throughout the pregnancy. After completing the class, participants receive a car seat, as well as a diaper bag with newborn essentials. In 2018, 11 women attended PACPI's 12-hour prenatal classes.

Rapid HIV Testing in Hospitals

The statewide Rapid Testing Program Implementation began in 2004 to assist hospitals in implementing rapid HIV testing in labor and delivery units, as stipulated by the Illinois Perinatal HIV Prevention Act. Currently, every birthing and non-birthing hospital must submit the Perinatal Rapid HIV Testing Monthly report detailing deliveries, HIV-exposed births, and rapid HIV testing of delivering women and infants born without a documented maternal HIV status. PACPI collects these reports from over 140 hospitals each month.

In 2018, approximately 75% of all Illinois women who gave birth knew their HIV status at the time of labor and delivery. Of the 25% who did not, all but one woman accepted rapid testing at the time of labor and delivery.



The New Mother's Initiative

This fiscal year, PACPI applied and was granted an Excellence in Care Award from Design Industries Foundation Fight AIDS Chicago (DIFFA/Chicago) in the amount of \$10,000 to begin an exciting, new program: the Young Mothers Initiative. This initiative focuses on supporting the unique needs of our adolescent mothers who are under the age of 26. Through direct feedback from clients as well as communication from case managers, the biggest barriers our predominantly African American, young mothers living with HIV face are a lack of vocational skills as well as affordable child care to have the time to develop those skills. The Young Mothers Initiative aims to address and combat these issues.

In partnership with the Jane Addams Resource Corporation (JARC), New Moms and Chicago House, PACPI staff links participants to specific vocational training resources that will help them achieve their financial, educational, and employment goals. We hold Career Counseling Fairs and invite community agencies that specialize in vocational training and employment services to come with ideas, advice and job opportunities. Participants receive one-on-one career planning advice and guidance. Participants are then linked to an identified vocational training partner and child care is arranged if necessary.

Last year, PACPI held a Career Counseling Fair with the previously mentioned partners. Through their "Bright Endeavors" program, New Moms offered paid internships, making premium soy candles at \$10.50 per hour. JARC provided workforce training in manufacturing, business training and adult education. And Chicago House offered career coaching, resume development, interview skills, and job referrals. Six young women attended the fair and received career counseling. They are now enrolling in GED prep courses, Certified Nursing Assistant courses, exploring business courses, planning a career, and taking computer coding classes. PACPI would like to recognize one mother in particular, Mocha, who is pursuing a career as a security guard. We could not be more proud of her.

Moch-a's Story

Moch-a's journey with PACPI began in October, 2017, after the birth of her daughter, when she received her diagnosis. "I didn't know. I was tested at the hospital during my delivery, and the test said negative. My baby was tested, and the test said negative. Two weeks later, my baby was really sick, so I brought her back to the hospital. We got tested again, and they both came back positive." Moch-a was then referred to a PACPI Case Manager.

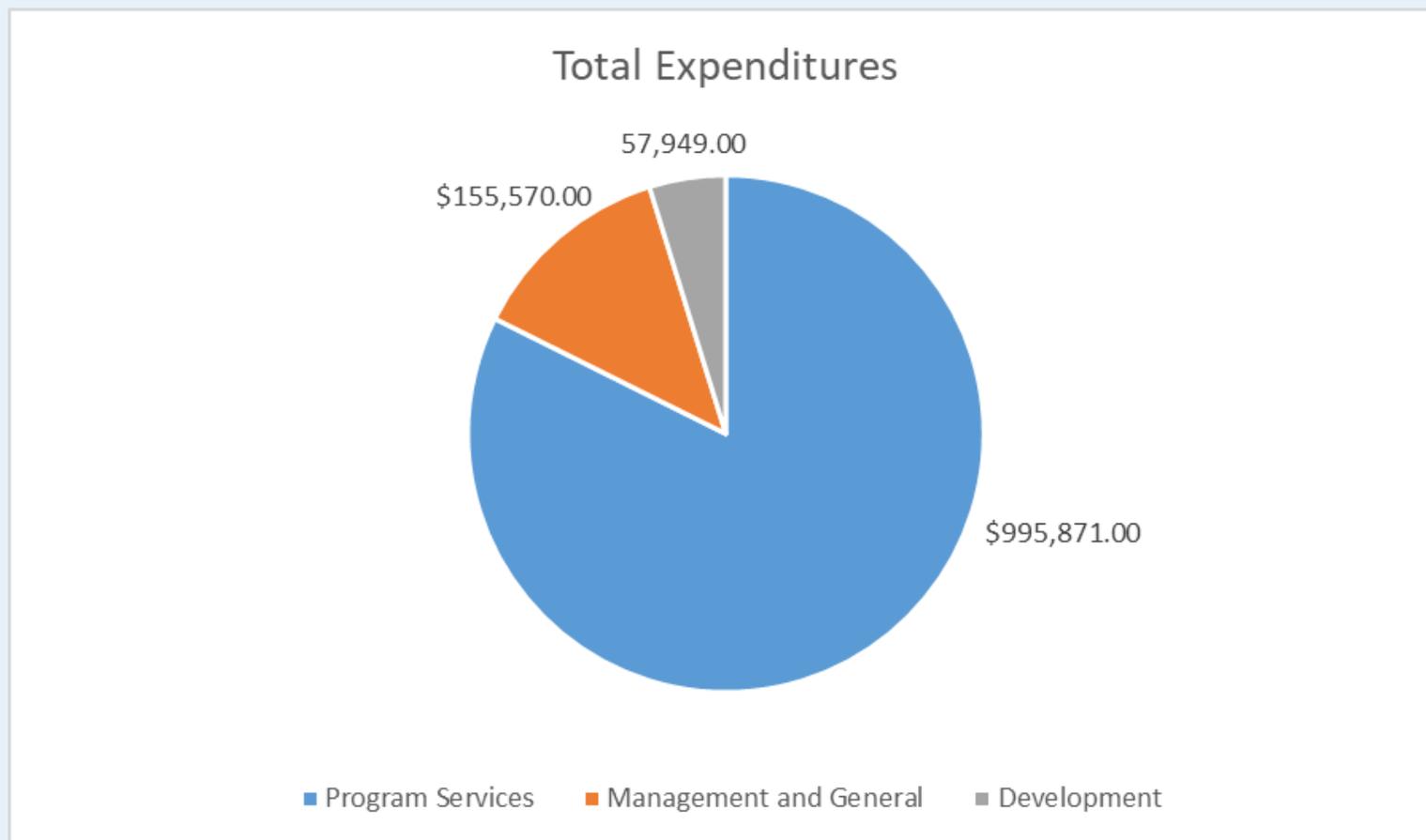
One of Moch-a's goals was to find a career, a "final job". Once PACPI began the Young Mothers Initiative, she enrolled. Moch-a attended a career fair where she learned about courses she could take, one being security guard training. PACPI worked with her to enroll in a 20-hour course and arrange childcare, all of which were paid for by the DIFFA/Chicago grant.

When asked why she was interested in this specific career, Moch-a said, "I'm 5' 5", 120 pounds. I want to be able to defend myself and take care of my baby." Moch-a said she loved the course, but it was very grueling. "The hardest thing was the combat training. We ran, climbed ropes, and crawled through mud. The teacher was a retired police officer, so it was real police training. My muscles hurt every time, but it was worth it."

Moch-a completed her training and successfully passed her exam in 2018. She is now a certified security guard with a concealed carry license. "I want to be able to take care of myself and my daughter. Be independent. I'm proud of myself. Empowered. I deserve this and so does my daughter."

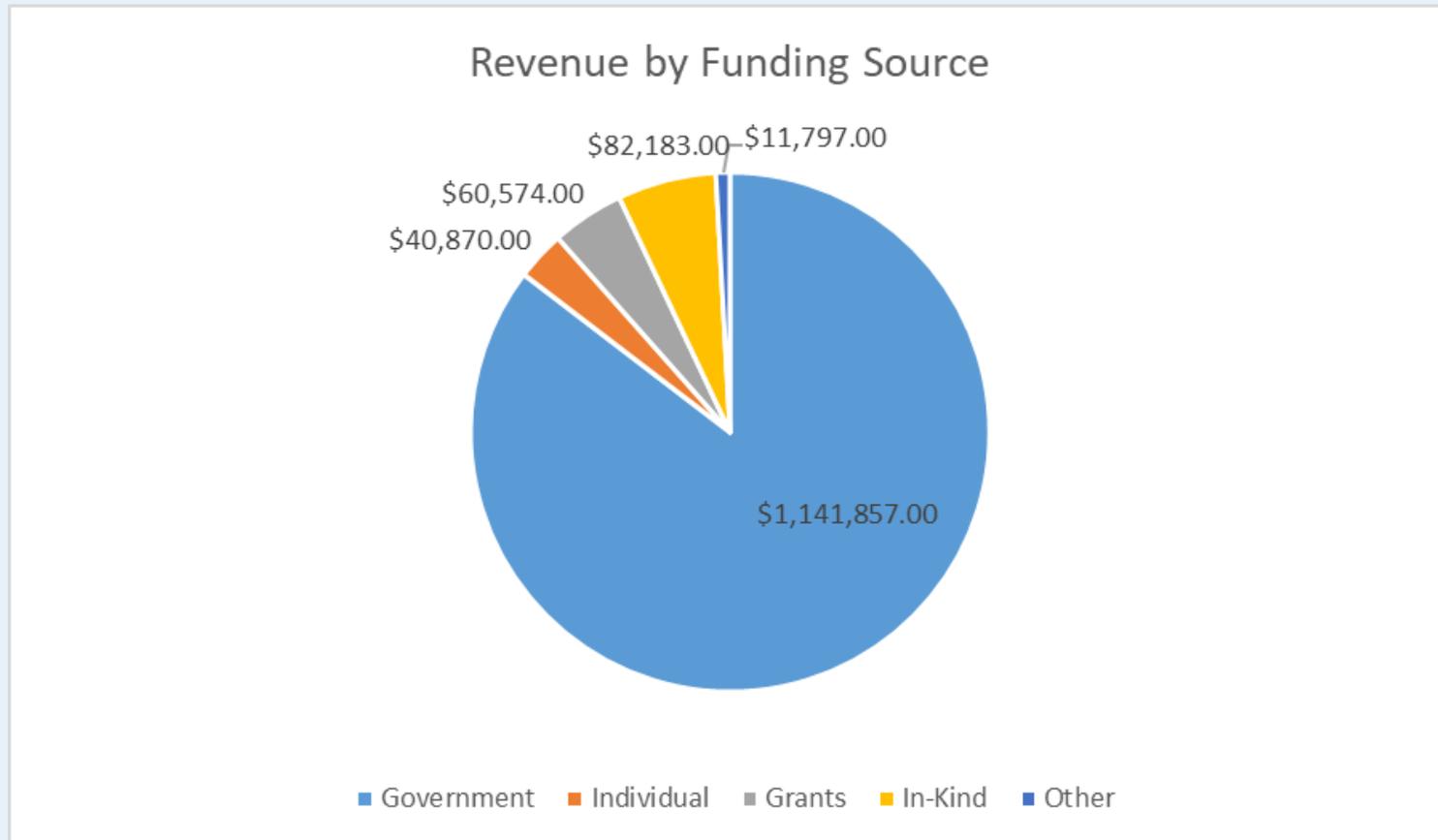
The support Mocha received should not be unique. Every woman with HIV deserves to have the resources necessary to pursue the career she desires. Thank you DIFFA/Chicago for making this possible, for giving the PACPI women living with HIV this opportunity.

PACPI 2018 Financial Reports



PACPI spent a total of \$1,209,390.00. \$995,871.00 of these expenses went towards Program Services. \$155,570.00 on Management and General expenses, and the remaining \$57,949.00 were Development expenses.

PACPI 2018 Financial Reports



PACPI raised a total of \$1,337,281 in 2018. \$1,141,857 of this revenue was derived from government grants and contracts, \$82,183 in-kind donations, \$60,574 from private foundation grants, \$40,870 from individual and board donations, and the remaining \$11,797 derived from other revenue sources.

Thank you for your support this year!

PACPI gratefully acknowledges our many donors, whose contributions are critical to sustaining PACPI's successful perinatal HIV prevention and care programs. We acknowledge the following donors for their gifts made between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

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