



# ANNUAL REPORT 2022

CHILDREN OF  
INCARCERATED PARENTS  
PARTNERSHIP





Our mission is to foster the growth of strong, resilient, hopeful children who are impacted by an incarcerated loved one in the Frederick County region.



C.O.I.P.P.



# COIPP Helped Families in So Many Ways...

## Family & Caregiver Support

- 116 individuals served via Parenting From Afar classes
- 14 crisis requests met
- 387 attendees served at 7 children's activities
- Caregivers of 34 children attended 11 respite sessions



"These meetings are special. I have different groups of friends; but no other friends have the same shared experience that I have. I belong here. And my grandchildren feel the same way."

"The kids so look forward to being able to pick out clothing and shoes that they wouldn't be able to have without COIPP's help. I know it sounds over the top but COIPP really improves the quality of life not only for the kids but for the entire family."



## Basic Human Needs Support

- 360 visitors served at 6 Detention Center Sharing Fairs
- 200 people benefited from our drive-through distribution events
- Many diapers, wipes, laundry detergent, shoes, boots, & gift cards for food & clothing distributed



# Education for All

- \$9,243 in scholarships awarded for Frederick Community College
- Over 1,000 children's books distributed
- 336 children/caregivers received quarterly resource boxes

Thanks to partnerships with Curious Iguana, Dancing Bear Toy Store, and Frederick County Public Schools



"This scholarship helps break stigma and lay a foundation of hope for children of incarcerated parents to build a future they have always dreamed of. I was one to follow the footsteps of my parents and fall into some very poor decisions, however, I am also one who is now rising above all I have hoped for."

"Thank you for the exposure of materials to help build resilience within my household for my children."

## Workshops & Collaboration

- Over 80 caregivers attended
- Collaborations with City Youth Matrix, Frederick County Association of Realtors, Frederick Social, Head Start, Housing Authority, I Believe in Me, Lasagna Love, Mental Health Association of Frederick, Middletown Valley Bank, Second Chances Garage, Wells House/Gale House, & more!





# In Their Own Words...

"I have one support system. It is COIPP. It is the one group that is always there for me and never judges."

"There have never been words that can accurately describe the gratitude I have and will always have in my heart for COIPP truly changed our lives and gave us hope in a time that I never thought we'd get through, you guys have been our village and fairy godmother and we just could not thank you enough. ♥ "

"Resource Boxes are Christmas throughout the year!"

"Respite has become my group of friends. I didn't know anyone when I moved here. The support has been a wonderful blessing for me and my family."

"These classes are very helpful. I have kept myself engaged and interested during every class. COIPP has done so much for me. I have a lot of younger kids in my family and like me, my brothers and sisters suffer from addiction. Parenting From Afar has helped me better understand them as well."

"I loved the class, always something I could take home and use with my kids or incorporate into our daily activities. I am confident that I am going to be a better father because of this class. The instructor was great, and I really enjoyed the way she taught the class. I was really welcomed."

"I thought to myself: Thank goodness that he at least has COIPP supporting him. For the seven years that I have been mentoring him; COIPP has supported him by providing swim lessons, outings, clothing, dogs, and lots of kind smiling faces that always make an effort to be really kind to him. I know that I can always count on COIPP to provide him with clothing including underwear and shoes that he has needed over the last seven years...COIPP has been the agency that I can count on!"

*...just a few of so many more*





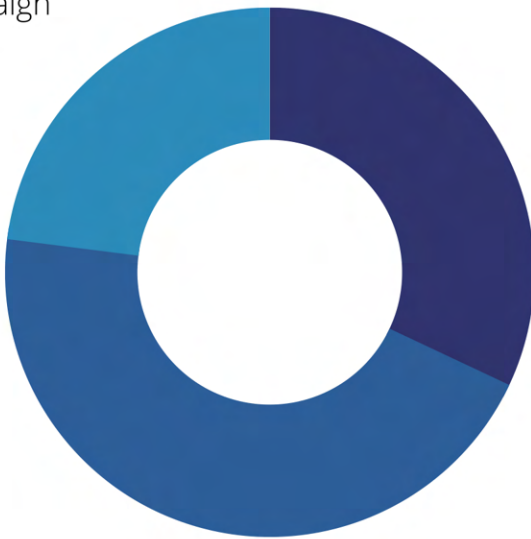
# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

COIPP continues to serve its children and families, pivoting to meet them where they are. This included offering more to meet basic needs.

## REVENUE SOURCES

COIPP relies upon a myriad of different sources to operate the organization.

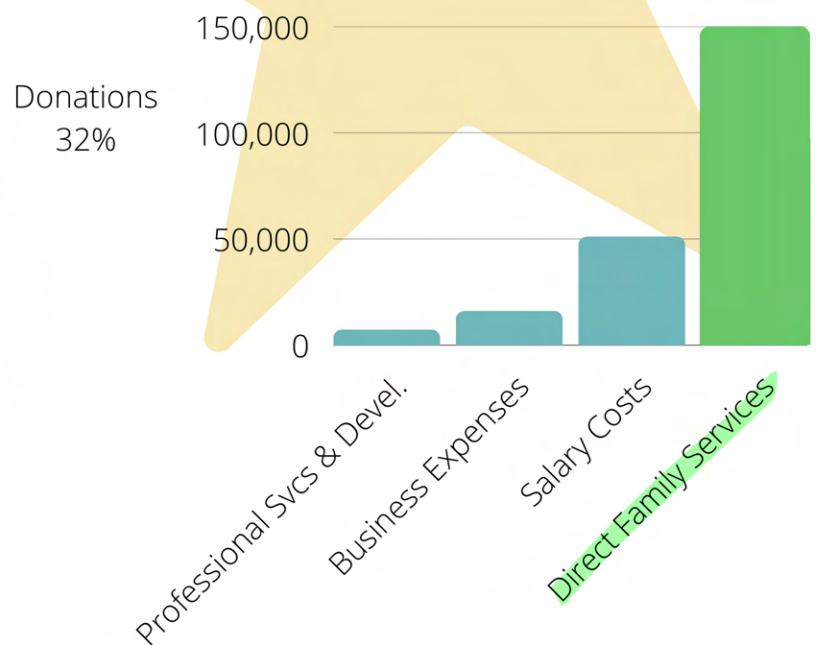
Unity Campaign  
23%



Grants  
45%

## EXPENSES INCURRED

For the first time, in 2022, COIPP added two part-time staff positions.



"The more you focus on the value of your product or service, the less important the price becomes."

-Brian Tracy

1400+

individuals served

13

grants received



# We Love Our Volunteers!



Volunteers gave  
over 3,200  
hours!





# 2022 COIPP Board

## Executive Officers:

Pat Rosensteel - President  
Cathy Anderson - Vice President  
Theresa Posthuma - Treasurer  
Gretta Benson - Recording Secretary  
Shirley White - Corresponding Secretary

## Staff Members:

Grace Bates - Office Manager  
Allison Lanham - Grants Specialist

## Additional Board Members:

Ivania Amador  
Raini Blakeslee  
Jennifer Dayton  
Cindi Diamondstone  
Pat Einhorn  
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Sue Guissinger  
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Larissa Metzger  
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Led by our Founder and Executive Director, Shari Ostrow Scher!



Dear Friends,

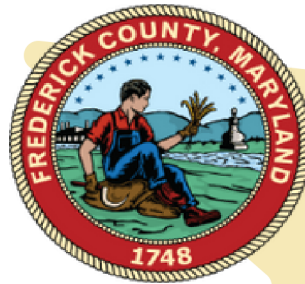
When a child has a parent in jail, trauma often results and endures for years. There are financial, social, academic, and emotional issues to contend with. Support provides children with the resilience to overcome these obstacles. As you read this report, you will have an idea of the contribution we make to the lives of every family we meet.

I must take this opportunity to give a huge 'thank you' to our staff, board members and volunteers. Without their tireless work, we would not be where we are today. In addition, our donors and grantors give us the support we need to accomplish our work. However, it is the families we meet who play the most important role. Many thanks to the caregivers who are there for the children and the parents who participate in our Parenting From Afar classes. Our biggest 'thank you' goes to the children who continue to bring joy and love to every event.

Sincerely,  
Shari Ostrow Scher  
Executive Director



Because of YOU, all this is possible!



Mary and Daniel Loughran  
Foundation Inc.



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Nora Roberts Foundation



United Way  
of Frederick County



And thanks to the many individuals and  
organizations who help support our programs!



# Join Us in Making a Difference!



Donations can be made online by scanning the QR code above, or send your check to:

Children of Incarcerated  
Parents Partnership  
22 S. Market St., #101 A  
Frederick, MD 21701

***Thank you for your  
support of this  
important work!***

**Support us on Social Media** - Follow us and share liberally!

- Facebook: Children of Incarcerated Parents Partnership
- Instagram: COIPPFrederickMD

**Receive our E-Newsletter** - Send an email to [info@coipp.org](mailto:info@coipp.org) and ask to be added to the list.

**Volunteer** - Visit the COIPP website to learn more. [www.coipp.org](http://www.coipp.org)

- Seek donations/grants
- Help supervise at children's activities
- Co-lead a workshop
- Help at Sharing Fairs

## **Contribute to the Cause!**

We accept donations of:

- Gift Cards: for gas, groceries, household items (Walmart, Sheetz, etc.)
- Children's Books: New books or funds for us to purchase them
- Children's Activities: Funds to help offer meaningful educational and recreational activities
- Scholarships: Funds to help a parent or caregiver further their education
- Basic human needs from our Amazon wishlist:

