

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

11 Behavior Technicians obtained national certification through our training

Assisted **47** children & **68** parents and caregivers at Family Group Night

SGCA received **104** new family phone calls / program inquiries in 2024

256 CAREGIVERS & INDIVIDUALS WITH AUTISM SERVED

SGCA served **130** students and staff at The Mountain Community School

6% increase in enrollment

13 participants enrolled in the Feed the Need Program

SGCA provided **55** parents & caregivers **723** hours of 1:1 parent training



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16th Annual
FIRST WORDS OF Hope Luncheon
Blue Ridge Community College — Flat Rock, NC

IMPACT REPORT

"The measure of your compassion lies not in your service of those on the margins, but in your willingness to see yourselves in kinship *with them*"

Fr. Gregory Boyle



ST GERARD
Center for Autism

CAROLINE LONG TINDALL

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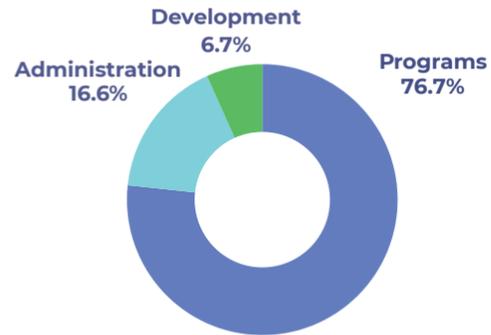
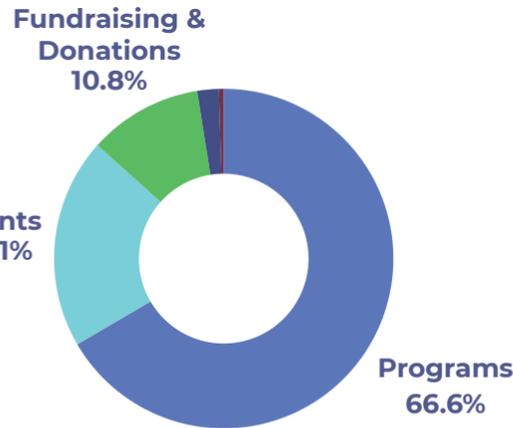
2024 began with strong momentum for St. Gerard House. After years of recovery from the challenges of COVID, we were finally regaining our stride—until Hurricane Helene brought everything to a halt in the fourth quarter. While our operations were disrupted, we are deeply grateful that everyone remained safe, which was our top priority.

In the months that followed, we witnessed extraordinary resilience from our staff, families, and supporters. Because of that collective strength, we ended the year stronger than we imagined—and we are still on track for our much needed expansion.

With Gratitude, *Caroline Long Tindall*

INCOME- 4,733,057

- Programs **3,140,585**
- Grants **962,329**
- Contributions **511,722**
- Gifts in Kind **96,422**
- Other **21,999**



EXPENSES- 4,561,614

- Programs **3,496,591**
- Administration **758,812**
- Development **306,211**

2024 FINANCIALS

ST GERARD CENTER FOR AUTISM

My favorite thing about getting to work with my clients is the chance to stand beside them for their moments of growth. No matter how small the step forward, I feel grateful they entrust their learning to me. The joy it brings me to be connected through discovering new things together is invaluable!

- Sarah Freeman, *Grotto Operations Manager*

- 2010**
Grotto I
Opened our doors to 2 children
- 2011**
Community Outreach
Family Group Night
- 2014**
Feed The Need
Adult Service Initiates
- 2015**
Purchased 705 Building
- 2016**
Launch Grotto II
- 2017**
Legislation
Insurance coverage for Autism Services
- 2019**
Grotto 1.5 Launch
- 2020**
COVID Impacts ABA Care
- 2024**
Hurricane Helene Impacts WNC
- 2025**
Expansion Campaign "Dream Big"

They operate the program with so much joy and dignity/respect for each client. I have seen consistent growth in (my child) and they are always excited to go!

SGCA Parent

THANK YOU TO OUR 2024 SUPPORTERS!

St. Gerard Center is full of more soul and heart and joy than anyplace I've ever been. Thank you for all that you do!

SGCA Donor

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Fulfillment of 5 year Pledge or Lifetime Giving \$25,000+

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“I love it when something that used to be hard for our clients is easy for them now”

Donna Snow
Feed the Need Program Manager

FIRST WORDS OF *Hope*
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