



# PACE

Annual Report | Fiscal Year 2015-2016



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# EXECUTIVE MESSAGE

The PACE vision, “a world in which people of all abilities live fulfilled lives”, is the foundation from which our forward thinking values create a strong commitment to the education and empowerment of the whole community surrounding the individuals we serve. Our sphere of need expands beyond our students to the wider network of families, caregivers and neighbors. We listen, answer questions, and help navigate the fundamental needs of this community. This expanding circle is the reason why we are so compelled to keep creating and discovering new ways of presenting easily implementable solutions towards everyday successes. In light of the tremendous shortage of services for individuals with autism, we hope these tools will serve as an inspiration in building more grass roots efforts to expand support.

At PACE, we understand this complex en-

vironment and are taking steps to replace online confusion with clear and simple solutions. PORCHLIGHT Education e-training modules are designed to foster hope by building in-home confidence one task at a time. The online series has opened up channels for small communities to collaborate together and build support networks. Now with over 50 PORCHLIGHT Education modules available and in production, PACE is looking to accelerate the impact with even more networked opportunities.

When developing one of our latest PORCHLIGHT Education modules, “What to do After Diagnosis”, we intentionally directed the module toward immediate forward looking solutions. In particular, we concentrated on quick steps to start building momentum leveraging each success into another opportunity. Easily absorbed knowledge blended with actionable steps and coupled with outreach to an involved community is the cornerstone of the successful formula which is PORCHLIGHT.

As we look forward to expanding our PACE services, we remain steadfast in our mission to innovate, educate and serve with compassionate care. While PORCHLIGHT continues to serve as an effective online support tool, we are fully committed to building an even more active effort through directed case management services under the STARLIGHT Network. This emerging platforms offers a means of better navigating the overwhelming, unmanageable, and sometimes inaccessible services available to the autism community. We hear the call to action and are enthusiastic in raising the bar by developing STARLIGHT Network for case management services. Where services are unknown, lacking or nonexistent, we hope to be an incubator in small localized communities to grow those services. Possibilities start by inviting the conversation.

Sincerely,

Kurt Ohlfs, PACE Executive Director

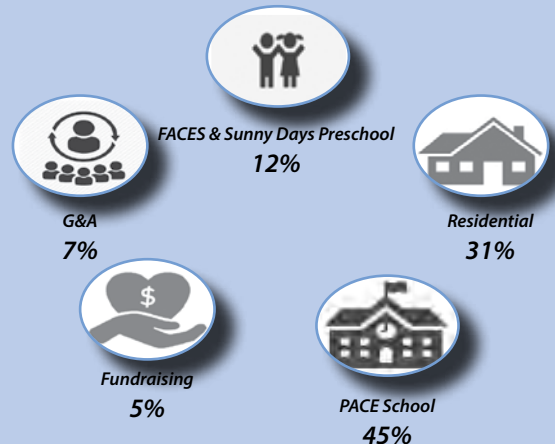
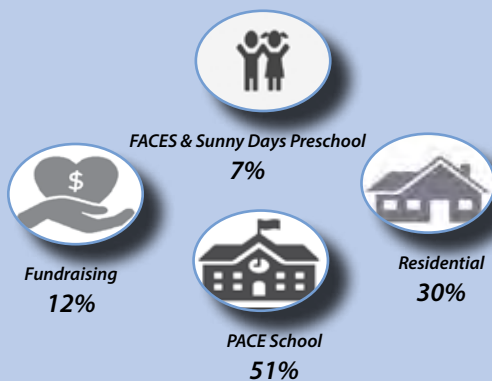
## PACE Impact July 2015-June 2016

- The **Porchlight Autism Education Series** has served close to 5,000 people since 2013, and we offer over 50 free access e-learning training modules. We are surpassing our goal with continued progress and expansion.
- In our **Residential Program**, Cupertino Rotary adopted one of PACE’s children’s residential homes for upgrades and repair, solidifying a partnership with the local community. HandsOn Bay Area sponsored Google volunteers to paint and landscape another PACE residential home.
- CSR Cares Foundation & Intero Foundation provided grants to the **PACE School** to build “The Journey” Therapy Garden.
- PACE achieved Community Care Licensing (CCL) for **Sunny Days Preschool** to expand the program and serve up to 21 children.
- PACE was selected again as a beneficiary for the **Color Me Rad 5k Race** and the Chinmaya Mission’s **Om Run**.
- The **Faces Program** is partnering with Family Connections Agency, Redwood City and made an arrangement to sublease space to this agency in FY 16-17.
- The **Youth Leadership Committee** (YLC) held a Light It Up Blue event and raised funds to support PACE. The committee consists of 20 local Bay Area high school youth who promote anti-bullying and awareness about people with developmental disabilities.
- The Lawn Party, September 2016, raised over \$20k with service from the Cupertino Rotary and local artists. Our 2016 PACE Golf Classic raised over \$55k for Residential and PACE Programs.
- The Barer Golf Tournament is an annual highlight; in 2016 it raised over half of our fundraising needs.
- PACE participated in strategic planning, expansion of the K2 classroom, approved capital investments, and reviewed future growth opportunities.

## Financial Summary Fiscal Year 2015-2016

FY15-16 REVENUE \$10.7M

FY15-16 EXPENSE



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