



# **EPILEPSY FOUNDATION**

Greater Southern Illinois

**A YEAR IN REVIEW**

**FY 2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

**JULY 1, 2018 – JUNE 30, 2019**

## OUR MISSION

The mission of the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois is to lead the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures, and save lives.

## OUR SERVICE AREA AND POPULATION

The Foundation's primary catchment area is the southwestern Illinois counties of Bond, Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair, Randolph and Washington. The population of these seven counties is 660,225 individuals. In addition, with our Subsidiary organization of Southern Illinois, we encompass the entire 34 county area of Greater Southern Illinois with a population of almost 1.2 million (1,197,667) people with an estimated 46,064 individuals diagnosed with epilepsy. The Foundation is a voluntary health organization and an affiliate of The National Epilepsy Foundation.

## OUR SERVICES

In FY 2019 a quality full continuum of services remained our top priority and excellence in service was our goal.

## EPILEPSY SERVICES COORDINATION

**EFGSI provides Coordination of medical, psycho-social, and vocational services for persons with epilepsy. Case management, information and referral, advocacy and epilepsy education are also an integral part of our program.**

- ❖ During FY 2019, **22** social support groups were held for individuals with epilepsy. Six of these support groups were educational in nature including medical marijuana informational training, seizure first aid training, personal budgeting training, medication and side effects, and other educational topics. The social outings included trips to St. Louis Cardinals and Gateway Grizzlies baseball games, Bingo, shopping, museums, movies, Our Lady of the Snows Christmas light show, luncheons, and other social support groups. There were also smaller social gatherings throughout the year.
- ❖ **1,512** hours of service were provided to **27** Comprehensive Case Management Client and Family consumers during FY 2019.
- ❖ **4,814** hours of service were provided to **10,169** consumers who called for information on epilepsy and other related services. Those services included:
  - Financial medical support for **17** individuals through EFGSI's epilepsy emergency medical fund.
  - Camp Roehr, a 7 day residential camp for children with epilepsy held in June, 2019, for **25** children with epilepsy from Illinois, Missouri, and surrounding states.
  - Other registered consumer needs for **168** individuals.
  - **45** epilepsy education presentations and events were given in the Foundation's service area to the following total audience of **9,959** individuals:
    - ✓ **9** School and Day Care Epilepsy presentations and training for **2974** students and teachers;
    - ✓ **20** health fairs/disability awareness/employment events with epilepsy materials for **5,941** visitors at EFGSI information booth;
    - ✓ **8** epilepsy trainings for social services agencies, Boy Scouts, and area churches for **785** individuals; and

✓ 8 epilepsy trainings for **259** police officers and police cadets.

❖ Finally **9,799** individuals visited the agency's website for further information on epilepsy. In addition, there were **19,949** Twitter users and **292,382** visitors to our Facebook site for a combined total of **332,130**.

Consequently, **342,114** individuals received some form of epilepsy education, information, and coordination services in FY 2019 in EFGSI's service area.

#### **EPILEPSY HOME BASED SERVICES**

**An array of non-residential support services facilitated/monitored by an EFGSI service coordinator.**

**11** individuals with epilepsy and/or other developmental disabilities received **212** hours of services monitoring through this program in FY 2019.

#### **EPILEPSY COMMUNITY SUPPORTED LIVING ARRANGEMENTS (CSLA)**

**Intensive case management services for persons with seizure disorder and/or other developmental disabilities.**

**1** individual received **715** hours of intensive services from EFGSI's resource staff during FY 2019.

#### **EPILEPSY COMMUNITY INTEGRATED LIVING ARRANGEMENTS (CILA)**

**Residential 24 hour program for persons with seizure disorders and/or other developmental disabilities.**

This residential program served **22** individuals in four community group homes 365 days/24 hours a day during FY 2019.

#### **INTERMITTENT COMMUNITY INTEGRATED LIVING ARRANGEMENTS (CILA)**

**Intermittent residential services for persons with seizure disorder and/or other developmental disabilities.**

**3** individual received **3510** hours of intensive services from EFGSI's resource staff during FY 2019.



**Illinois Epilepsy Advocacy Day, 2019**



**Sharon's Ride Run Walk, 2019**



**Camp Roehr, 2019**



**Annual Gala, 2019**

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**EPILEPSY FOUNDATION OF GREATER SOUTHERN ILLINOIS  
 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
 FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

**REVENUE**

Contributions/Other	13,441
Misc. Income	26,134
Fundraising	24,681
Fundraising Direct Expense	(11,668)
Investment Income	1,932
Gain (Loss) on Asset Disposal	(7,742)
Fees/Purchase of Service	1,319,787
Grant Revenues	<u>51,747</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>1,418,312</b>

**EXPENSES**

Program Services	1,259,380
Management/Fundraising	<u>114,082</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,373,462</b>

<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>44,850</b>
<b>Beginning Net Assets</b>	<b>905,641</b>
<b>Ending Net Assets</b>	<b>950,491</b>

## FY 2019 HIGHLIGHTS

- The Epilepsy Foundation's website, Facebook, and Twitter combined increased its electronic outreach by about 270% for people wanting further information on epilepsy in FY 2019. The electronic outreach initiative saw 205,918 more individuals seek epilepsy information over the previous fiscal year. There was an additional 192,419 visitors to the Facebook in FY2019.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois joined the other two Illinois Epilepsy Foundation affiliates for the sixth statewide Illinois Epilepsy Advocacy Day held in the state capitol in FY 2019. The State of Illinois House 101st General Assembly (House Resolution NO. 0128) designated March 6, 2019 as Illinois Epilepsy Advocacy Day in the state of Illinois and was adopted on April 2, 2019.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois held annual events including the "29<sup>th</sup>" annual Camp Roehr residential camp for children with epilepsy at the YMCA Trout Lodge and Camp Lakewood located in Potosi, Missouri and the annual agency wide Halloween party.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois successfully maintained its financial resources in the black (a net gain), paid the balance of one home loan, and increased assets for FY 2019.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois maintained its vehicle fleet of twelve vehicles to support all agency programs in FY2019. The expanded vehicle fleet not only reduces expenditures in programs but also increases community awareness of the Foundation and its services through the advertisement on the vehicles.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois successfully completed fundraisers throughout the year including the annual Sharon's Ride, Run, Walk event, and the annual Gala.