

## **ANNUAL REPORT** Our Impact in 2016



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The Girls Inc. Bill of Rights

## **GIRLS HAVE THE RIGHT...**

To be themselves and to resist gender-stereotypes

To express themselves with originality and enthusiasm

To take risks, to strive freely, and to take pride in success

To accept and appreciate their bodies

To have confidence in themselves and to be safe in the world

To prepare for interesting work and economic independence



## LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CEO

Dear Friends,

Thank you for helping to make 2016 an incredible year of impact at Girls Inc. of Metro Denver!

In the last year, we launched the inaugural *My Bold Future* luncheon and awarded \$65,000 in college scholarships, welcomed the first class of Eurekans to our five-year STEM program, celebrated the first anniversary of the Bold Beans social enterprise, and developed new partnerships reaching girls across metro Denver. This was all possible because of your support!

At the core of Girls Inc.'s work is our mission to inspire all girls to be Strong, Smart, & Bold. Our unique approach to serving girls is rooted in the six essential elements of the Girls Inc. experience:

- · A pro-girl and girls only environment
- Trusting, mentoring relationships with adult staff
- Holistic, compensatory, and intentional programming
- Relevant, field-tested and research based curricula
- Girl-centered, motivating, deliberate and interactive activities
- Sustained exposure to programming and connection with a girl

In 2016, over 2,140 girls participated in programs that utilize this holistic approach grounded in a belief in girls' rights and abilities. Their stories are shared throughout this report.

Girls Inc. of Metro Denver has bold goals that will allow us to expand our reach and impact in the years ahead. We will invest in the growth of our programs and sustainability of our business model. We will also leverage the collective voices of girls and families to be effective advocates for girls from across our community.

With your continued support and investment we will achieve these goals together. Thank you for being in our corner and for believing that every girl deserves to grow up healthy, educated, and independent.

In Gratitude,

Sonya Ulibarri | President & CEO

### **Pro-Girl Environment**

Girls Inc. provides a pro-girl and girls-only environment that is physically, socially and emotionally safe and confirms that girls can succeed and deserve to be taken seriously for the persons they are now, and the women they will become.



#### MEET CAMILLE

Camille is the third girl in her family to attend programs at Girls Inc. of Metro Denver. She loves the all-girl environment at Girls Inc. because, "when you're with boys sometimes you can get annoyed or frustrated." "I like Girls Inc. because we can learn about something new every day." - Camille



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### **Mentoring Relationships**

Girls Inc. provides trusting, mentoring relationships with adult staff and volunteers who are trained in an approach that is grounded in a belief in girls' rights and abilities.



#### MEET JUSTICE

Since 2013, Justice has been volunteering in the Elementary School Program as a leader in everything from free time to classroom time. Justice is also a mentor for the group mentoring program, *Bold Futures*. She is a great example of the richness volunteers bring to program; she truly enjoys the girls company and their varied personalities.

"I really like watching the girls grow up. The girls that were in 2nd grade when I started are now in 5th grade. They help me know myself and have helped me learn my limits and discover myself. I love when I come in and they tell me about their day. It's a community. I know their birthdays, I know their stories. I know the girls and I love being a part of their community." -Justice

### **Intentional Programming**

Girls Inc.'s programming is holistic, compensatory and intentionally focused on girls' needs and provides exposure to a wide variety of experiences and options that girls might not have experienced otherwise.



#### MEET CELESTE

Celeste has been attending programs at Girls Inc. of Metro Denver since the first grade. She is now in 7th grade and has been accepted into the newest Eureka! cohort, our five year STEM program. Celeste likes all STEM disciplines, but dreams of being a Marine Biologist. "The STEM classes allow you to be hands-on, not just learn about things, but do them." - Celeste





### **Research Based Curricula**



#### MEET LUPE

Lupe, Manager of Middle School Programs, has been working for Girls Inc. for over ten years. Last year, Lupe and her staff of educators, provided 594 girls with healthy sexuality curriculum across Denver. Lupe was recently recognized by Girls Inc. National for bring a leader in this field. Girls Inc. provides relevant, field-tested, and research based curricula that confront the serious needs of girls while building the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to enable girls to be competent, confident individuals and adult women.

"At Girls Inc., we believe that girls have the right to receive comprehensive sexual health education that is age-appropriate, accurate, and evidence based. Our Healthy Sexuality programming is relevant to today's girls because it embraces a broad and comprehensive approach that recognizes sexuality as a key element of the whole girl." - Lupe

### **Interactive Activities**

Programs are designed to be girl-centered, motivating and deliberate with interactive activities that develop and promote girls' strengths.

"Girls Inc. of Metro Denver is great because they're very helpful and there are a lot of resources, it's very reassuring." - MJ



#### MEET MJ

MJ started attending programs at Girls Inc. of Metro Denver when she was in 8th grade. Over the years, she has participated in many different classes, and some of her favorites include Art & Culture and Self-Defense. Now, she's a Bold Barista at Strong, Smart & Bold Beans and has learned that "you have to be very confident and keep calm" while working at the social enterprise business.





### **Sustained Exposure**

"It's a very unique place, you get an opportunity to do whatever you want and learn lots of things. I have made lots of friends here. I like the volunteers and teachers because they understand me." - Ashley



#### **MEET ASHLEY**

Ashley has been a Girls Inc. girl since the first grade. Following in the footsteps of her older sisters, Ashley began Girls Inc. programs as early as she could and continues now through her middle school years. As a member of the Girls Inc. community, she has been a mentor to her peers and younger girls in program, drawing from her own long time experience as she grows into a young leader. Girls Inc. provides sustained exposure to programming and connection with a girl over time, to increase positive outcomes and reduce the potential for negative outcomes.

## 2016 IMPACT



### 2,143 girls served



12 paid high school internships



76,265 hours of Girls Inc. curriculum delivered



25,560 hours of academic tutoring provided



89% program retention rate





\$65,000 awarded in college scholarships





Eureka! STEM program kicks off with 30 girls



#### 13% increase in revenue



76 girls attended college tours held at 8 campuses





16 daily transportation routes from schools to Girls Inc.

86% daily attendance rate

140 healthy living (STRONG), academic (SMART), and leadership (BOLD) programs offered











600 guests celebrated the inaugural My Bold Future luncheon



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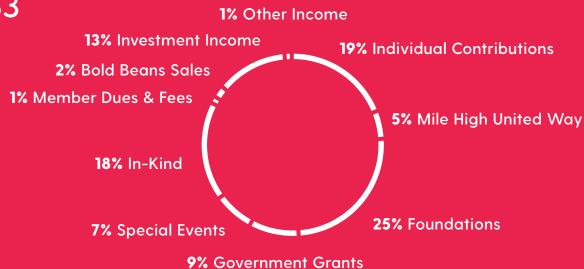
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Cash & cash equivalents	322,167	179,346
Grants & fees receivable	40,442	79,822
Investments	4,304,479	4,360,128
Prepaid expenses & other	30,308	42,030
Property & equipment	2,472,188	2,632,020
	7,169,584	7,293,346
Accounts payable	19,714	11,651
Accrued payroll & related benefits	60,541	25,469
Other liabilities	31,412	6,719
Long-term liabilities	0	31,397
Deferred revenue	0	49,781
_	111,667	125,017
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	2,140,741	2,108,855
Temporarily restricted	2,324,839	2,467,137
Restricted	2,592,337	2,592,337
	7,057,917	7,168,329
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