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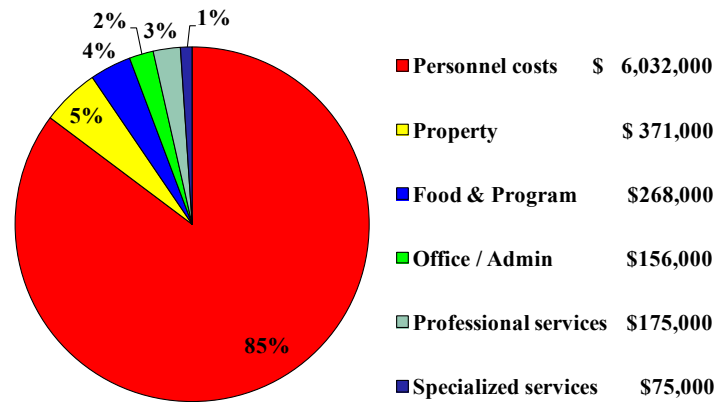
Old Protestant Orphan's Home behind new building April 23, 1968.



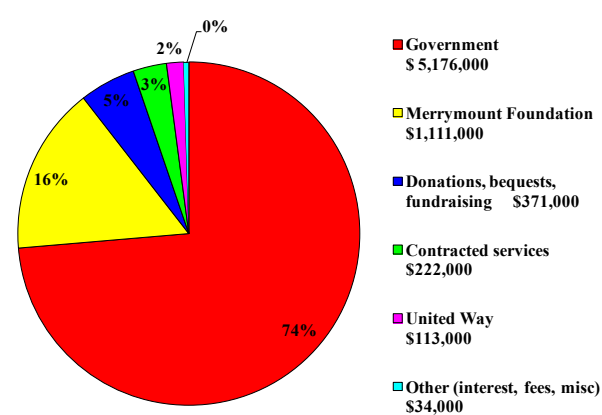
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Traditionally the Executive Director and President of the Board of Directors write a report on the previous year's triumphs.

This year Ailene Wittstein, Executive Director and Shelley Baker, President of the Board of Directors decided to answer a series of questions about Merrymount.

What have you learned from your time at Merrymount?

As a member of the Board for 5 years, I am truly amazed at the commitment of our leaders and staff. Many have dedicated countless years to working tirelessly with passion and integrity to ensure Merrymount supports the over 8000 families in our community during a time of crisis or transition. Merrymount's Mission, Vision and Values are embraced not only by the Board of Directors and Leaders, but every staff member and volunteer who serves our families.

-Shelley

As a member of our staff for the past 26 years, I have learned that crisis and transition can happen to any family and that there are very few services within our community that can come to a family's support as we can. I have learned that although our services may look different than they did when I first arrived, the mission has remained the same and the family remains at the heart of all that we do. I have learned that almost all families want what is best for their family and all we have to do is listen, without judgment, to best understand how we can support them to reach their goals. I have learned that our community does work and can tackle almost any problem when we work together.

-Ailene

During your time at Merrymount, what made you "beam" from your head to your toes?

Whenever I hear that Merrymount has made a difference in a family or child's life, I realize why we all walk through the doors. Every situation is different but every family needs somewhere to turn when their lives become challenging. The kindness, patience, knowledge and caring that I see from our staff and volunteers only confirms that we are able to make this difference. Thank you for enriching their lives.

-Shelley

Our Merrymount Family makes me beam from head to toe. We, the staff and Boards have created what we have created because we work like one huge family. Just like a family, we have our ups and downs. Yet, even on the most difficult days, we are here for the same cause. We are each putting our best into making Merrymount the special place that it has become. I am so proud that so many of our staff have been with us for over 10 years. And I am so very proud of what each and every one has become. Our Merrymount Family is a very Special Family!

-Ailene

What is your dream for Merrymount?

As we look forward to our next 140 years, we can look back and preserve our history, yet rise to the challenges of our environment and the needs of our families tomorrow and ensure Merrymount remains a "special place". My dream would be that everyone in our community recognizes our track record of providing extraordinary service to our families in crisis and that we have gained the trust and resources of our community with our proven, achievable results.

-Shelley

My dream for Merrymount is that there is a Merrymount everywhere. Every community deserves to have a special place like Merrymount, a place where families can turn to in times of crisis or transition. Our model is still developing and unique to our community. I believe that in the near future, we owe it to families everywhere to share what we have created. This is my Dream.

-Ailene

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