



2014 Annual Report

MISSION:

Rebuilding Lives for a Safer Community

VISION:

To provide offenders, former offenders, the homeless, at-risk youth, veterans, and their families the tools they need to become productive citizens.

VALUES STATEMENT:

Our primary responsibility is to those we serve. The success of the Alston Wilkes Society is measured by how we meet our responsibilities to clients, volunteers, investors, other agencies and each other. We operate in the spirit of doing unto others as we would have them do unto us.



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Financial Statement

Support and Revenue	Total
Public Support	\$ 302,310
Grants	1,755,890
Fees & Contracts	5,959,726
Memberships	59,979
Investment Income	13,386
Rent	221,050
(Loss) on Investments	-----
Other Revenue	2,828
Total Revenues	\$8,358,423

Expenses	
Payroll	\$ 3,808,401
Retirement & Benefits	305,511
Repairs & Maintenance	210,244
Contractors & Minor Equipment	296,927
Legal and Accounting Fees	139,426
Program Expenses	1,752,383
Utilities & Telephone	291,889
Travel & Auto	208,686
Insurance	144,731
Office Rent & Equipment Rentals	402,842
Advertising	16,463
Interest	23,485
Depreciation & Amortization	129,177
General & Administrative	474,749
Total Expenses	\$8,210,358

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Community Services Program

Eleven regional **Community Service Coordinators** assist offenders, former offenders, and other high risk populations in rebuilding their lives as productive, self-sufficient and law-abiding members of the community. The AWS Community Service program serves people from all walks of life with one thing in common – they are in crisis. Searching for a helping hand, a listening ear, encouragement, mentorship, and coordination of services, clients and their families find hope for a brighter future through AWS.

The Alston Wilkes Society helps clients make a smooth transition back into society by providing services, referrals, training and information in these areas:

- ◆ Clothing
- ◆ Food
- ◆ Education Assistance
- ◆ Employment Placement
- ◆ Housing Assistance
- ◆ Counseling Referrals
- ◆ Identification Card and Birth Certificates
- ◆ Transportation Assistance
- ◆ Workshops in the Community and Institutions (Topics include budgeting, anger management, employment skills, life skills, parenting, etc.)

In 2014, this program provided 18,871 services to 3,322 unduplicated people in crisis.

- ◆ **2,855 - Emergency services were provided**
- ◆ **2,879 - Employment related services were provided**
- ◆ **2,879 - Clients participated in educational workshops in the community or within correctional institutions**
- ◆ **648 - Education referrals were provided**
- ◆ **559 - Picture Identification cards and/or birth certificates were procured for clients to submit when applying for employment opportunities; and use to access other community resources (such as food pantries and shelters)**
- ◆ **418 - Clients received job placements**
- ◆ **340 - Clients were placed in housing**
- ◆ **261 - Clients were assisted with basic needs such as food, clothing, personal hygiene, medications, and shelter**
- ◆ **Apricot, a client tracking system, was implemented to assist Coordinators with tracking and reporting client data**

Veteran Services Program: AWS Veterans Home

AWS' Veterans Home located in Columbia, SC was the first facility in the Midlands to provide long-term transitional housing in conjunction with supportive services specifically for homeless veterans. AWS provides housing, clothing, food, transportation, job training and placement, substance abuse counseling, life skills training, therapeutic counseling, mentoring, and other supportive services for the residents in order to help them regain self-sufficiency. This partnership with the U.S. Veterans Affairs Grant & Per Diem Program (VA), Palmetto Base State Camp, the VA Healthcare for Homeless Veterans Program and multiple community service organizations help veterans rebuild their lives.

The Veterans Home served a total of 73 veterans in 2014. 84% or 43 of the residents achieved successful program graduation

Veteran Services Program: Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)

The Alston Wilkes Society is the recipient of the **Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)** grant that promotes housing stability among very low-income Veteran families who reside in or are transitioning to permanent housing.

AWS in coordination with other community resources can provide supportive services to eligible Veterans, such as: housing counseling services, health care services, personal financial planning services, transportation services, income support services, legal services, and daily living services. Temporary financial assistance payments may be available to help with expenses such as rent, utilities, security deposits, moving costs, transportation and child care.

A total of 596 Veteran households were served during the 2015 grant fiscal year.

- ◆ **\$ 1,451,878 – Grant amount awarded to AWS for the 2014 SSVF fiscal year**
- ◆ **The fourth (and newest) SSVF office opened in Florence, SC in April of 2014**
- ◆ **Three additional SSVF offices are located in: Columbia SC, Greenville SC and Charlotte NC.**

The Alston Wilkes Society provides four valuable programs for at-risk youth: Intensive Family Services, Treatment Foster Care, the Columbia Youth Home and the Clinical Day Program.

Intensive Family Services (IFS)

- ◆ Clinical services are delivered using a Family Group Decision model.
- ◆ Coordination and linkage to community services and programs are available.
- ◆ Providing these supportive services enables the AWS Youth Services Program to offer a continuum of care.
- ◆ Offers crisis management to help stabilize clients in the home environment.
- ◆ AWS offers time limited interventions delivered within the home and community environment
- ◆ **Four families were served in 2014**

Youth Residential Facility

AWS is committed to preventing criminal behavior by intervening early in the lives of young people with serious emotional and behavioral problems. AWS operates one residential youth home in Columbia, South Carolina to provide intensive, individualized services for up to 11 at-risk youth at a time. AWS provides 24-hour supervision, life skills training, employment skills training, substance abuse counseling, therapeutic recreational activities and referrals to other community services. All youth either attend public or alternative schools. This is often the “last stop” for youth before the government is forced to place them in the juvenile justice system.

- ◆ **In 2014, this program served 45 youth.**

Treatment Foster Care (TFC)

- ◆ AWS offers a variety of diverse treatment homes throughout the state of S.C.
- ◆ Well-trained and experienced treatment foster parents provide structure, support, and guidance to clients in care.
- ◆ Lead Clinical Staff are available 24 hours a day and seven days a week for emergency referrals, client de-escalation, and crisis management.
- ◆ Treatment foster parents and staff work together to provide treatment planning, on-going clinical assessment, and assistance with family reunification, when applicable.
- ◆ **55 youth in foster care were served in 2014**

Clinical Day Program (CDP)

- ◆ AWS offers an alternative academic service program which is provided in a structured, supportive therapeutic setting.
- ◆ Focus of this program is to teach appropriate social and behavioral skills in order to mainstream students back to a public school setting.
- ◆ Provides Lead Clinical Staff for treatment services to the client’s family of origin or other involved caregivers/guardians.
- ◆ Behavioral Interventionists and certified teachers are on site to assist with both educational and behavioral difficulties.
- ◆ **27 students were served in 2014**

Residential Reentry Centers (RRC)

AWS operates adult **Residential Reentry Centers (RRC)** for federal offenders through contracts with the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Three AWS Residential Reentry Centers are located in Columbia, Florence, and Charleston. These facilities provide 24-hour supervision, employment assistance, counseling, life skills training (finances, parenting, etc.), family reintegration and other supportive services to facilitate a successful transition back into the community. All of AWS’ Residential Reentry Centers are accredited by the American Correctional Association (ACA).

In 2014, the three facilities served a combined total of 710 residents.

- ◆ **The Charleston RRC served 256 residents.**
- ◆ **The Columbia RRC served 269 residents.**
- ◆ **The Florence RRC served 185 residents.**

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Please check one:

- Individual - \$25
- Family - \$50
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10 Ways to Invest in the Alston Wilkes Society

- ◆ Cash
- ◆ Tangible Personal Property
- ◆ Stocks and Bonds
- ◆ Life Insurance
- ◆ Real Estate
- ◆ Gift of Home/Farm
- ◆ Charitable Living Trust
- ◆ Bequests
- ◆ Revocable Living Trust
- ◆ Life-Income Gift

Thank You to our 2014 Community Services Program Grant Funding Sources

- ◆ City of Columbia
- ◆ Coastal Community Foundation of SC
- ◆ Coronado Stone Products
- ◆ Emergency Food and Shelter - Greenville
- ◆ Emergency Food and Shelter - Greenwood
- ◆ Emergency Solutions Grant
- ◆ J M Smith Corporation
- ◆ Lancaster County Literacy Council
- ◆ Rotary Club of Rock Hill
- ◆ SC UMC Advance Special / Connectional Ministries
- ◆ Trident United Way
- ◆ United Way - Anderson County
- ◆ United Way - Greenville County
- ◆ United Way - Greenwood / Abbeville Counties
- ◆ United Way - Lancaster County
- ◆ United Way of the Midlands
- ◆ United Way - Pickens County
- ◆ United Way of the Piedmont
- ◆ United Way - Sumter, Clarendon & Lee Counties
- ◆ United Way - York County

Professional Affiliations

- ◆ The American Correctional Association
- ◆ The Council on Accreditation
- ◆ Correctional Accreditation Managers Association
- ◆ Foster Family-based Treatment Association
- ◆ International Community Corrections Association
- ◆ National Coalition of Homeless Veterans
- ◆ Palmetto Association for Children & Families
- ◆ South Carolina Association of Nonprofit Organizations
- ◆ South Carolina Correctional Association
- ◆ South Carolina Jail Administrators Association
- ◆ South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Association
- ◆ South Carolina Probation and Parole Association
- ◆ Southern States Correctional Association
- ◆ Sumter SC Chamber of Commerce
- ◆ SC United Methodist Advance Special Ministries
- ◆ The United Way