



Jovial Concepts

2014
Annual Report

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With a little **INSPIRATION**

And community **EMPOWERMENT**

We can **ACHIEVE**

A more peaceful and **SUSTAINABLE**

Global **FUTURE.**

INSPIRATION

Finding ways to inspire the public to take part in activities that will improve safety, economic viability, sustainability, and beauty of their communities.

Peace Day 2014

September 21st is a day of global non-violence and cease-fire recognized by all UN member states. Each year Jovial Concepts hosts an awareness event inviting Coloradans to think about what **PEACE** means to them and educating thousands of people about the simple ways they can get involved in making a better community. Our 2014

Peace Day on the 16th Street Mall included:

25 Partnered Non-Profits

165 Volunteers

8 Hours of live stage time creating dialogues for peace

934 Total volunteered hours supporting Peace Day 2014

2,100 Peace Day Attendees and Participants

150,000 More people in Colorado know Peace Day exists!

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EMPOWERMENT

Annual Peace Initiative Contest

Jovial Concepts empowers the winners by providing project funding and support! Entries contain ideas to transform our local and global communities through art, music, education, infrastructure, media, environment, and more.

2014 Winner - \$5,000

Teaching Peace Initiative

The Teaching Peace Initiative is a student-led, student-run nonprofit organization that works to bring comprehensive peace education to students across the country and the world. They organize teens to teach peace curricula to young children in their communities.

Their programs are currently active in:

25 Over 25 Schools

12 Over a dozen States

3 Foreign Countries

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ACHIEVE

Jovial Futures Equal Opportunities for all of our youth

Jovial Concepts supports the future of low-income and at-risk youth in our community by providing them with the skills and experiences necessary to achieve success.

We discover student's passions, team them up with a mentor who shares their interests, and offer volunteer opportunities, internships, and more. By age 18, youth in our program will have improved academically, applied for scholarships, worked in their community, and embarked on a path of success.

Laying the foundation for success - 2014 trial trimester

16 Students

10 Mentors

12% Average Increase in GPA

100% Improved Communication With Parents

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SUSTAINABILITY

Jovial Gardens

The Jovial Gardens project has been developed to provide education in healthy and sustainable living, to create accessibility to high quality food for those in need, and to unify communities around the common goal of creatively increasing resource independence. 25% of families with kids in Colorado cannot afford food, and we are helping to end hunger in our community by transforming lawns into edible gardens.

A community comes together to grow food for neighbors in need!

33 Gardens

5,000 Square feet of Garden Area

180 Volunteers

1,152 Volunteer Hours

2,500 Pounds of food Donated

17,857 Healthy Meals

We exceeded our production goals and....

150 Families were provided with Fresh Produce grown by their own community throughout the season!

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FUTURE

Looking Ahead

2015 promises to be an exciting year with many new opportunities to support our community!

- Jovial Futures expands to it's first full year at Wheat Ridge 5-8 and Jefferson High
- Jovial Gardens expands to include Denver, Wheat Ridge, and Arvada
- Jovial Gardens will partner with Edgewater Elementary to grow over 2,500 seedlings for the community
- Find a new home for Jovial Concepts to accomodate our expanding base of volunteers and growing programs
- 3rd Annual Peace Day Event - 2015
- We will be welcoming many new volunteers and community partners



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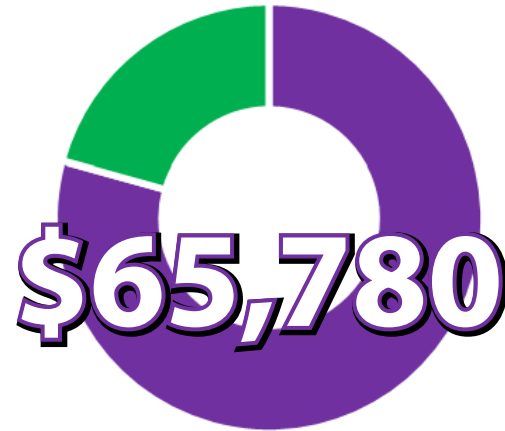
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Financial Overview 2014



Income

■ Foundations ■ Program Income & Donations

Expenses



■ Administration Costs (6.4%) ■ Programs & Activities (93.6%)

Thank You!



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