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# 2014 Annual Report

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**VISION: Transforming lives to reduce the world-wide generational cycle of incarceration.**



Holding their babies for the first time!  
Level 4



**2014 was another amazing year for Wings!** Ann Edenfield Sweet, Founder/Executive Dir.

Two of my favorite comments about Wings are:

*"A Wings Party is like heaven on earth!"* which was said almost 20 years ago.

I'm always reminding myself and our volunteers that only God will know the full impact of our work, but it sure is humbling to hear a family member make such a comment.

And *"This party will change hundreds of thousands of lives!"* which was made by the father of an inmate with tears in his eyes at the history-making Wings Party Dec. 20, 2014, at Level 4 Unit at the SCCF in Las Cruces, NM.

The biggest highlight of 2014 for me was being trusted enough by the NM Corrections Department to be invited to host a family day party for Level 4 inmates from 3 rival gangs.

A Deputy Warden wrote:

*"Thank you so much for bringing such a wonderful event to these men's lives...who commented to me the number of years it had been since they had even seen their families, much less hold them. Before they entered the gym, I had them sign the 'photo waiver' and ALL of them were trembling with excitement/anticipation. I believe we had the correct men to pioneer this - it was truly a joy to see the interactions. Thank you so much for everything you do and the love that you share."*

Human Angels—Level 4



Live Nativity—Level 4



Prison parties are fun!



Santa Fe, NM



Houston, TX—Turkeys

It doesn't matter where a Wings Party is, they are all "the same." Families—Fun—Music—Crafts—Bible Stories—Food—LOVE!

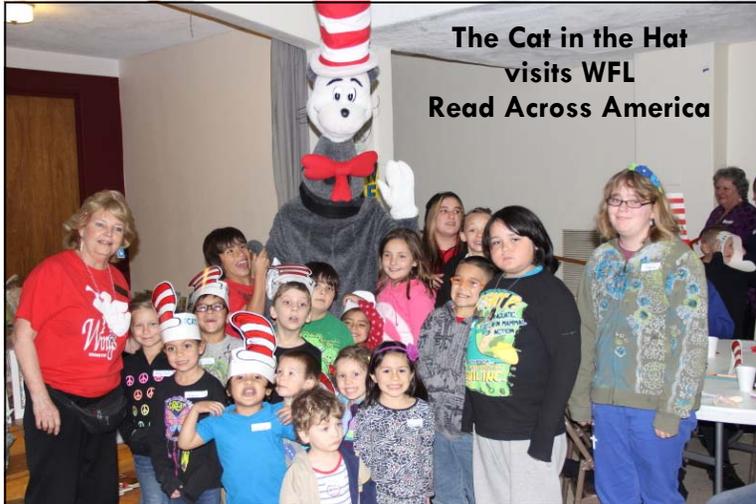
- ◆ In 2014 Wings hosted 17 prison and 4 community parties in TX, TN, OH, CO, MO and NM.
- ◆ Wings held its first party in an Angel Tree Camp for family members of inmates in Missouri.
- ◆ Wings ministered to and fed 4091 in prison and 1379 in NM community parties.
- ◆ There were 3206 who attended 42 Wings For L.I.F.E. (WFL) meetings in Albuquerque (Life-skills Imparted to Families through Education). After-dinner tutoring and Pre-K programming was offered to 613 children and youth. A healthy, nutritious meal was served to all 3206 people.
- ◆ There were 8,901 people who participated in Wings events.
- ◆ Wings Publishing printed and is selling its first two books and greeting and Christmas cards which were printed by inmates in the Guadalupe County Correctional Facility in Santa Rosa, NM.
- ◆ Wings hosted its 2nd annual CELEBRATION OF CHAMPIONS, a very successful fundraiser which has allowed Wings to hire additional staff.

**I would like to THANK all the staff, volunteers, donors, and prison official for everything they did to make 2014 such a great year which allowed us to minister to so many!**



Nashville, TN

| 2014 Statistics         | Inmates & Staff | Adults & Guests | Teens & Children | Volunteers  | Total       | Total In-kind       |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|
| WFL Totals              | 0               | 1627            | 613              | 966         | 3206        | \$86,690.73         |
| Prison Parties          | 1139            | 1412            | 1261             | 413         | 4225        | \$217,858.84        |
| Community Parties       | 0               | 516             | 592              | 271         | 1379        | \$154,256.36        |
| Misc Volunteer Projects | 0               | 0               | 0                | 91          | 91          | \$19,557.00         |
| <b>2014 TOTALS</b>      | <b>1139</b>     | <b>3555</b>     | <b>2466</b>      | <b>1741</b> | <b>8901</b> | <b>\$478,362.93</b> |



# WINGS FOR L.I.F.E.

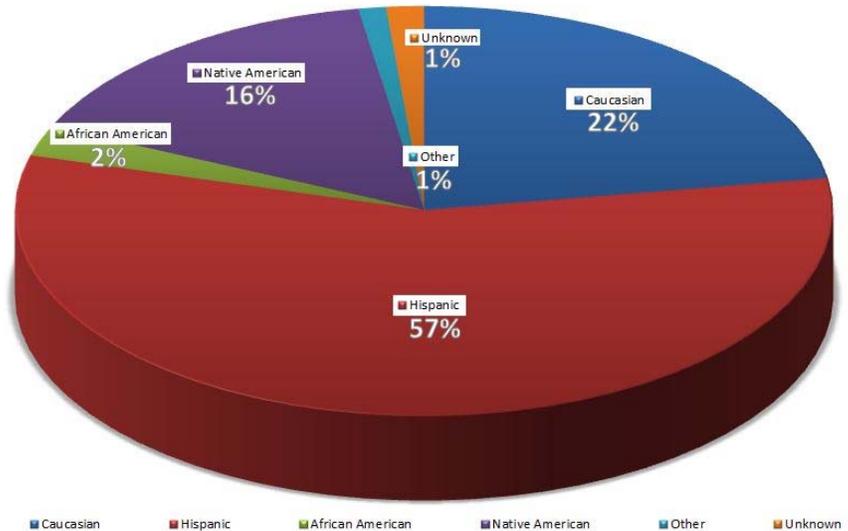
EMPOWERING YOUTH & FAMILIES

National Award of Excellence for  
Crime Prevention!  
American Probation & Parole Association

### 2014 Stats

- 1,741 volunteers donated time worth \$174,429.70
- In-kind donations totaled at least \$478,362.93
- 8,901 people were fed a meal by Wings
- 2,466 teens & children were ministered to and loved
- 77% of WFL attendees non-Caucasian
- Repeat attendance proves program satisfaction. 39% of attendees attended 2–42 times.

### Wings For L.I.F.E. 2014 Ethnic Groups



Great Dinners

### 42 WFL Meetings

- Back-To-School Fashion Show
- Make a Difference Day ABQ
- Hosted NM Healthy Family statewide banquet
- Taught manners, life skills, about jobs, \$, parenting, legal issues



Great FUN with new friends

**Thanks to some of our Sponsors**

- Boeing Company
- Brycon Construction
- Central United Methodist Church
- Chic-Fil-A
- Coleman Vision
- Contact Wireless
- Cross of Hope Lutheran
- Don Chalmers Ford
- First National Bank of Santa Fe
- Four Humours Healthcare
- French Mortuary
- Gary Marques
- General Mills
- Heritage Hotels
- High Noon Restaurant & Saloon
- KFLQ 91.5 FM
- Marriott Pyramid
- NAI Maestas & Ward
- Nicolas C. Nellos Memorial Fund for at-risk Children of the Albuquerque Community Foundation
- Old Republic National Title Insurance Co.
- Panera Bread
- PayDay, Inc.
- PNM
- ReCARnation
- Rotary Club
- Del Norte Foundation
- Sandia Labs—Lockheed Martin
- St. John's United Methodist Church
- Second Presbyterian Church
- Shelton Jewelers
- Shidoni Foundry
- Solidago Foundation
- Starline Printing
- United Way of CNM
- Wells Fargo
- Western Music Assoc.
- Workspace Dynamics
- Zanios Family



**George Faulhaber  
Wings Board President**

What a year, this past year of 2014. We have a new name and logo that truly defines who and what we are today, and who and what we want to be in the not so distant future. Wings For LIFE International, a concept that is almost, I say almost, too large to comprehend until we remember who is really calling each one of 'us'.

**From Matthew, Chapter 25:** <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. <sup>37</sup> "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?' <sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' <sup>40</sup> "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

My definition of 'us' includes the board members working faithfully to lead WFLI into the future and providing those resources so necessary for 'us' to achieve our vision and goals for the families experiencing the incarceration of a loved one.

The staff, both part time and full time, who are called to put all the pieces in place that make our Wings For L.I.F.E. (WFL) Monday nights and our parties in the correctional facilities so successful that WFLI is acclaimed as the best in New Mexico, the United States of America, and even in Kenya, as we begin our international outreach.

Most importantly, 'us' includes each of you serving as the volunteers who make it possible for our WFL meetings and our prison parties to be a reality for those brothers and sisters of Jesus in need of your love, your compassion, your generosity, and your smile and open arms saying welcome, welcome to Wings For LIFE International.

My definition of 'us' also includes the Correctional Officers and Wardens of our eleven NM adult correctional facilities, Jerry Roark, Director of NM Adult Prisons, and NM Secretary of Corrections Gregg Marcantel. Why? These individuals make it possible for us to host our parties/family days for families and their loved ones in prison. Without their support, we would not be able to gain entrance into the correctional facilities. You are doing such a wonderful job as volunteers, Mr. Roark is seeking the means to invite WFLI into all eleven correctional facilities at least four times a year. Just think of the resources we will need to meet that invitation.

Please be praying for more volunteers in each city located near a correctional facility. Pray for the funds necessary to host WFL meetings and four prison parties in each of our correctional facilities. Please pray for dedicated, committed



**2015 Wings Board of Directors**

**Lt to rt: Gary Pennington, Teresa Garcia, George Faulhaber, Barbara Ellena, Jane Bradley Missing: Chad Pitlik**

staff that we will need to answer His call.

God blessed WFLI with the opportunity to host a party at the Southern New Mexico Correctional Facility housing level 4 prisoners, a first in the nation as well as New Mexico. What a blessing, what an opportunity to share God's love, what an opportunity to allow two inmates to touch their newborn children for the very first time. What an opportunity for a father to touch his son for the first time in five years. Go to the WFLI website to see the joy of that party.

Thank you to each of 'us' is not sufficient for all that you do as you shine the light and love of Christ, as you give of yourselves so freely. I hope you find joy, peace, and love in each effort you make to serve these families who so need you. I hope you will always thank God for the privilege that we share as the WFLI family as we serve the brothers and sisters of Christ.

Please know that each and every one of you who make up the WFLI family hold a very special place in my very grateful heart. I pray that each of you feel the love that God sends to you as His very special angels. Each of you are wearing wings for the day you will soar in heaven.



# Wings For LIFE International

## Statement of Financial Income and Expense

January through December 2014

### Ordinary Income/Expense

#### Income

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| NM Workforce Connection income | 15,242.62  |
| Product sales income           | 4,368.21   |
| Wings Publishing Income        | 4,728.98   |
| Fundraising Income             | 120,462.28 |
| Grant Income                   | 43,700.00  |
| Donations                      | 34,816.84  |

Total Income 223,318.93

Gross Profit 223,318.93

#### Expense

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Fundraising expenses         | 24,457.64  |
| Wings Publishing expenses    | 2,767.27   |
| Wings Party Expenses         | 44,501.76  |
| Wings Fore L.I.F.E. expenses | 161,781.33 |

Total Expense 233,508.00

Net Ordinary Income -10,189.07

#### Other Expense

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| 5010 - In-kind Revenue | -40,667.00 |
| 7005 - In-kind Expense | 40,667.00  |

Total Other Expense 0.00

Net Other Income 0.00

Net Income -10,189.07

# Wings For LIFE International

## Statement of Financial Position

As of December 31, 2014

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Checking/Savings     | 91,576.62 |
| Accounts Receivable  | 13,281.63 |
| Other Current Assets | 8,140.73  |

Total Current Assets 112,998.98

Fixed Assets 17,319.75

Other Assets 4,472.59

TOTAL ASSETS 134,791.32

### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities 13,921.20

#### Equity

3020 - Unrestricted Net Assets 131,009.19

3040 - Perm Restr - Net Ass 50.00

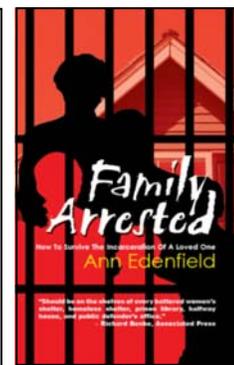
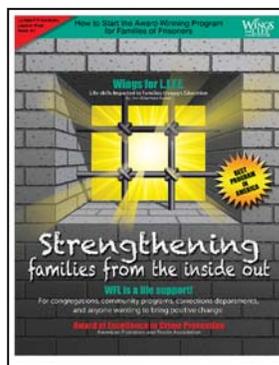
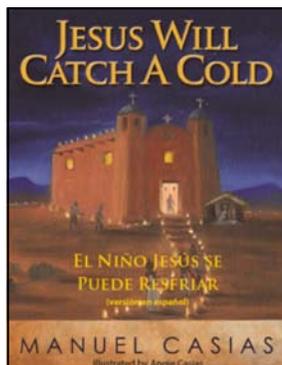
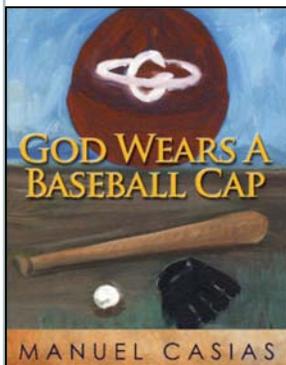
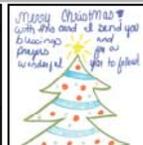
Net Income -10,189.07

Total Equity 120,870.12

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 134,791.32

## Wings Enterprises—Publishing, Tablecloth & Banners, Greeting Cards

Order a custom tablecloth for your church, school, or organization. Wings children have designed greeting cards that the inmates in GCCF in NM printed.



Wings For LIFE International (Wings) is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization. The two main programs are Wings prison and community parties and Wings For L.I.F.E. – Life-skills Imparted to Families through Education (WFL) educational program. Combined gross income in 2014 was \$223,318.93, which reflects a 16% increase over 2013. Wings had another very successful **Celebration of Champions** which accounted for \$109,619.00 of their income. Wings finished the year with \$91,576.62 in cash, \$12,198.00 in grants receivable, \$8,140.73 in current assets which includes book inventory and prepaid assets, and \$17,319.75 in fixed assets and publishing rights. Wings' only liabilities were \$12,198 in unearned revenue which is on the books to reflect grant money that has been pledged to WFL but not yet paid or earned and \$1,723.20 in credit card expenditures that was paid in early January, 2015. The equity balance is \$120,870.12.

Roger Riley, Contract Accountant