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# ANNUAL REPORT 2019

## End of Life Washington

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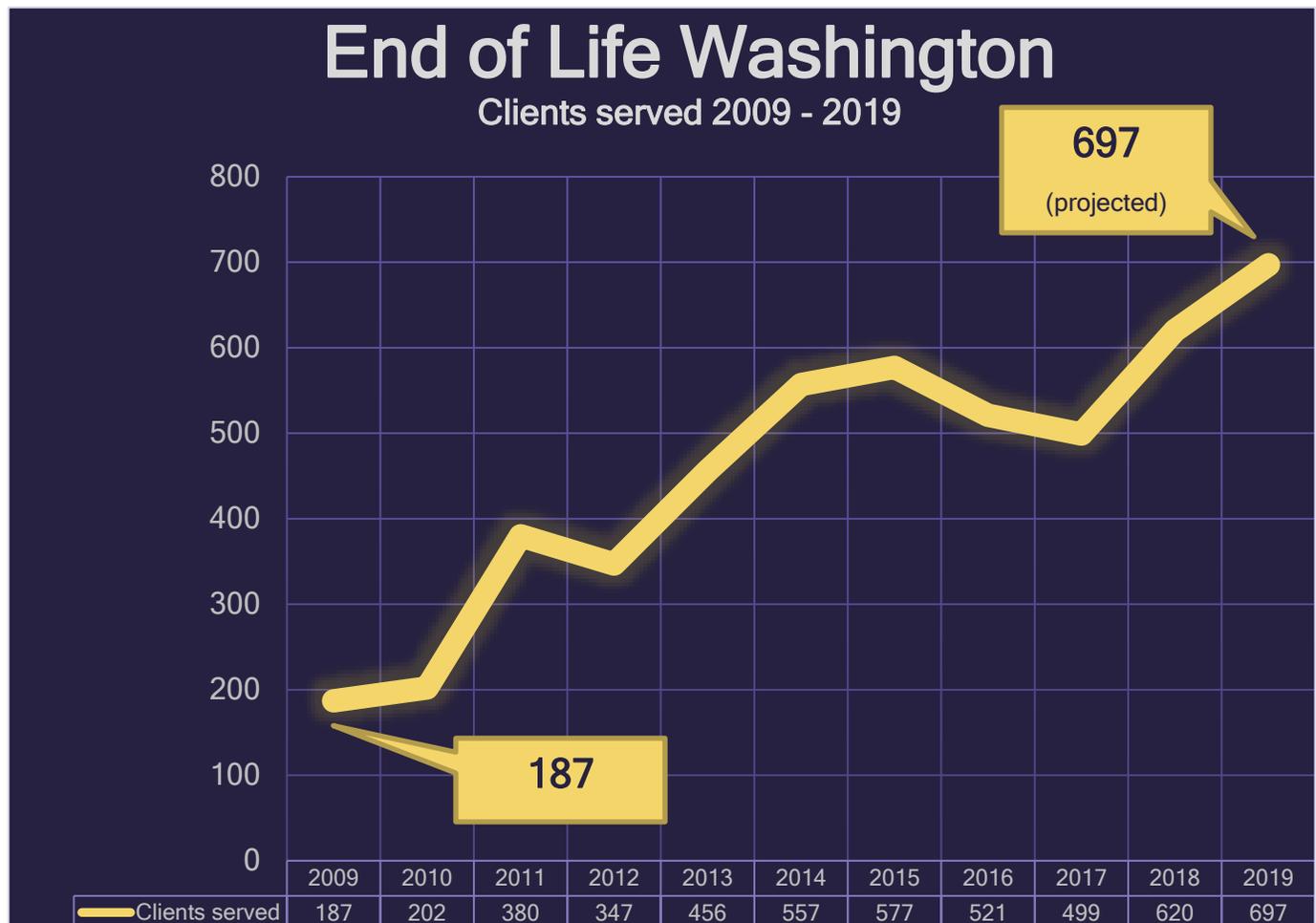
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# TO OUR FRIENDS AND STAKEHOLDERS

As 2019 closes, we want to bring you up to date on our progress and seek your support.

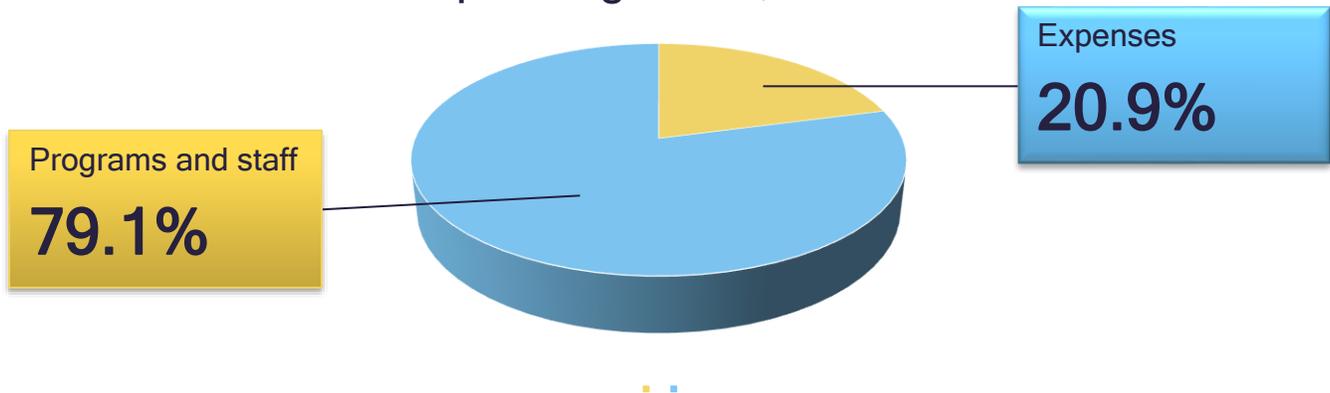
End of Life Washington has experienced a year of transition and change. We are moving forward in many important directions:

- ✓ serving more clients using the Death with Dignity Law
- ✓ assisting residents of Washington with information on other end of life choices
- ✓ providing presentations on various end of life topics
- ✓ advocating in Olympia for choice and full health care disclosure by providers
- ✓ hiring additional staff to assist with our increase in services
- ✓ committing to ongoing outreach
- ✓ advocating to have Medicaid cover the cost of Death with Dignity medications
- ✓ updating our website and moving our software applications into a cloud
- ✓ opening the search for our new executive director
- ✓ renewing the commitment of our board of directors' work committees
- ✓ engaging a social media consulting firm to initiate an awareness campaign



## Fiscal year 2018-19

Spending: \$459,324



**Thank you:** More than 620 people donated to End of Life Washington this year to keep us on solid financial footing during a challenging time of change. We cannot thank our supporters enough for making sure people in every corner of our state have the resources they need to confront their end-of-life questions.

**On solid footing:** End of Life Washington's fiscal year runs July 1- June 30. Six months into our new fiscal year, we can report that we are financially stable and operating well within our budget. We finished the past fiscal year with a surplus and to date we have raised over \$120,000 from individuals.

**Looking ahead:** In 2020 our focus will continue on all the above topics and hire the next executive director, who can take the organization into the future. We invite your input as you watch our progress through the coming months. And again, thank you so much for your help.

*Kay Longhi, Board President*

*Joan Eads, Interim Executive Director*

*"We recently supported my mother's decision to end her life after receiving the diagnosis of ALS ... We were met with every obstacle possible, but found support, kindness and patience from our volunteers. We feel blessed that an organization like End of Life Washington exists."*

■ *From the family of a client.*

## With Great Thanksgiving in 2019:

TO OUR DONORS (Our donors gave over \$500,000 in 2019)

TO OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS and to our PAST BOARD MEMBERS

TO OUR STAFF and to our PAST STAFF

TO OUR CONTRACTORS

TO OUR VENDORS

TO OUR PHYSICIANS

TO OUR SERVICE PROVIDER

AND

TO OUR VOLUNTEER CLIENT ADVISORS

This Annual Report is dedicated to two pioneers in the movement of Death with Dignity. They passed away in 2019 and we are grateful for all they gave to the movement:

In Memory of Kirk Robinson

In Memory of Mary Watson

