REIMAGINE AGING

Los Angeles Oasis
WISE & Healthy Aging
2019 Annual Report
As we look to the future, we reflect on the past. In 2019 every Oasis center experienced expansion in one way or another—class additions, tutoring growth, physical space, new participants, new partnerships, and new opportunities. Entering 2020 with significant momentum, seeds planted in 2019 were turning into green shoots. In March, COVID-19 changed everything, and Oasis swiftly pivoted in response.

When Oasis began shifting programs from in-person to online and via phone, participants quickly made the shift with us. Rather than conforming to stereotypes of older adults being averse to new technologies and change, I saw the exact opposite—Oasis participants embraced it, and we have been inspired by their resilience.

As we navigate the “new normal” in the thick of a global pandemic, we beg the question, “what happens next?” We are compelled to reprioritize and express our mission differently to meet unanticipated needs. Experts paint an altered picture of how life-as-we-know-it will look post-pandemic. How will voluntary social distancing—or lack thereof—affected the lives of older adults? How can we protect the health of aging communities while simultaneously avoiding the adverse effects of social isolation?

Older adults are most at risk of severe complications from COVID-19. But, the dangers of loneliness are not new; our aging family members and neighbors were more likely to experience social isolation before the pandemic and will do so well after.

Let’s unite and reimagine aging in a new climate with both new risks and new opportunities. Whether for yourself or an aging loved one, neighbor, friend—Oasis’ mission applies to all of us. Aging is inevitable. The choices we make influence HOW we age, and the Oasis community learns, expands, moves, and adapts as we grow older. Although we can’t be together in person for the time being, we hope to connect with you through our virtual programs and volunteer opportunities.

Every tomorrow is in the future, and with it a new opportunity to learn, build confidence, and grow. We at Oasis are here for you. Let’s reimagine aging together.

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Los Angeles Oasis

Paul Weiss, PhD
President, The Oasis Institute
5,900 Volunteers

147,500 Class Enrollments

408,000 Volunteer Hours

4,500 Tutors

49,400 Participants

Revenue $6,836,562

- $1,102,917 Government Grants (16%)
- $2,236,019 Program & Partner Revenue (33%)
- $1,018,293 In-Kind (15%)
- $2,479,333 Contributions & Grants (36%)

Expenses $7,491,834

- $2,015,309 Health Programs (27%)
- $572,445 Tech Literacy Programs (8%)
- $1,779,481 Education Programs (24%)
- $1,612,379 Administrative (21%)
- $971,825 Volunteer Programs (13%)
- $540,395 Fundraising (7%)

Source: 2019 Consolidated Financial Audit
We are thankful to the many volunteers who make an impact on the quality of our programs every day. There are several powerful ways to volunteer with LA Oasis. Our volunteers serve as mentors to elementary children through Oasis Intergenerational Tutoring, help staff register participants for classes, serve on committees and even instruct classes. Explore the opportunities and find the perfect volunteer role for you with Oasis!

For more information on volunteering at Los Angeles Oasis, call Volunteer Services at (310) 394-9871, ext. 552.

To reimagine aging with Oasis, call or check us out online.

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