

94 years of serving the community



Making Every Connection Matter!

For over 90 years, HEAR Wisconsin has worked tirelessly to connect people to needed services and resources - families who want information and support when their baby is born with hearing loss; older adults who want to hear and have conversations with their family and friends; people who want multiple options to determine best solutions for communication and independence.

Our goal is to continue fostering meaningful connections for the people we serve. When meaningful connections are made, relationships are strengthened, individuals thrive, and communities grow.

Jill Van Calster, President and CEO

OUR MISSION

HEAR Wisconsin is a nonprofit organization that helps babies, children and adults with hearing loss by eliminating communication and language barriers through personalized services, technology and education.

CONNECTING LIVES TO SERVICES

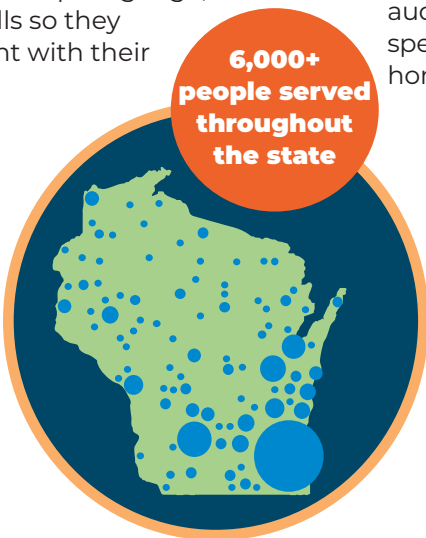


Kellogg Child & Family Program

Connects families to experienced professionals who can help their children develop language, communication and social skills so they can perform at levels consistent with their peers when they enter school.

- ▶ **100%** of children served for 6 months or more increased their language skills, with 85% of children displaying expected developmental improvements in social/emotional skills
- ▶ **98%** of parents/caregivers reported improved relationships with their children in the area of communication, with 100% reporting more positive caregiving/parenting skills
- ▶ **15%** increase in early intervention services provided over last year

6,000+ people served throughout the state



Kay Eckstein Speech & Hearing Center

Connects individuals and businesses to audiologists and technology experts for audiology services, hearing aid fittings, and specialized equipment consultations for home, work or other environments.



- ▶ **1,709** audiology appointments made
- ▶ **2,802** clients served
- ▶ Educational information shared at **40** community outreach events
- ▶ **17** partnerships with assisted living facilities and schools for services



CommLink Interpreting

Connects businesses and individuals to licensed American Sign Language interpreters to ensure accurate communication for Deaf individuals. Interpreting services are available for medical appointments, business meetings, legal proceedings, emergencies and everyday events.

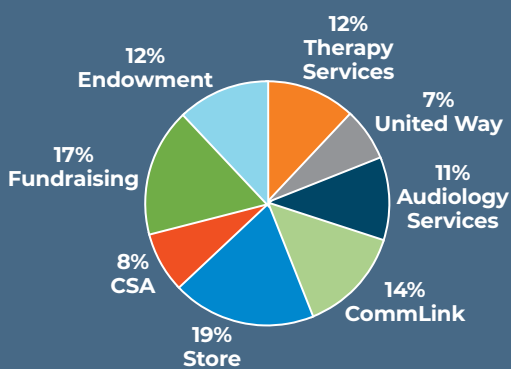
- ▶ **45** new business partners
- ▶ **160** businesses served
- ▶ **5,212** total hours of interpreting provided
- ▶ **15** interpreting jobs on average per day

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

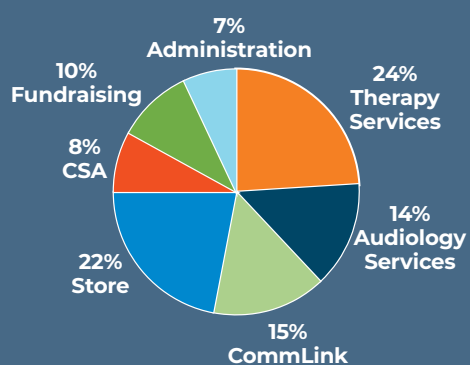
Year Ending December 31, 2019

TOTAL ASSETS \$4,787,865 TOTAL LIABILITIES \$363,695 NET ASSETS \$4,424,170

REVENUE



EXPENSES



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Twelve people on the Board are deaf or hard of hearing, use hearing devices and/or assistive technology, or are parents of children with hearing loss.

22 Staff and 29 Freelance Interpreters

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HEAR Wisconsin, as a result of many connections with the community, clients and donors, grew from a small humble support group in 1926 to a robust organization providing comprehensive services for people of all ages with all degrees of hearing loss or deafness. Incorporated in 1944 as Milwaukee Hearing Society, HEAR Wisconsin continues to connect people to needed services and resources throughout Wisconsin.

73 year partnership with United Way



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