Gratitude Report

2025 YEAR IN REVIEW

RAD ADVOCATES

GUIDING FROM EXPERIENCE. LEADING FOR CHANGE.

REFLECTING WITH GRATITUDE

WE PROGRESS, THANKS TO YOU

Left to right: RAD Advocates COO Heather Houze and CEO Amy VanTine

Years ago, Amy VanTine searched for help for her daughter, diagnosed with reactive attachment disorder. She found advice, therapies, and opinions — but little understanding of how early trauma reshapes a child's brain and destabilizes an entire family system.

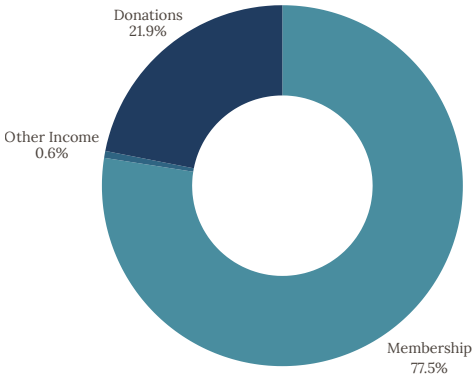
As behaviors and strain escalated, it became clear that Amy's family needed more. They needed advocacy. They needed education rooted in lived experience. They needed someone willing to stand beside them. When she couldn't find it, Amy became the advocate her family needed.

In 2017, Amy and two other mothers founded RAD Advocates to equip families, communities, and professionals to respond to developmental trauma with clarity and compassion. **In 2025, that mission continued to expand. We strengthened programming for members seeking steady support, launched an on-demand professional training to bridge gaps in clinical understanding, started a member forum for families to connect and collaborate, and continued to advocate for more families navigating schools, treatment systems, and courts.**

RAD Advocates exists because members, volunteers, donors, and supporters believe families deserve to be seen, heard, and equipped. **Your support sustains this work — and strengthens families across the country. Thank you.**

WE SUPPORT FAMILIES, THANKS TO YOU.

2025 REVENUE/SUPPORT



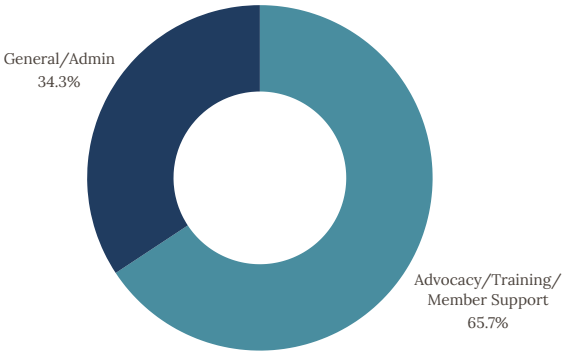
Membership= $174,537.86

Other Income= $1,38

Donations= $49,376.21

Total Revenue/Support= $225,299.07

2025 PROGRAM/OPERATING EXPENSES



Advocacy/Training/Member Support= $127,195.08

General & Administrative= $66.345.77

Total Program/Operating Expenses= $193,540.85

2025 Net: Revenue/Support Less Expenses= $31,758.22

I first connected with RAD Advocates when our family was in a very dark place and desperately needed help. When our daughter was hospitalized, the psychiatrist told us about RAD Advocates as a great resource for families like ours. After years of different therapies, this was the best guidance we ever received. My first call gave me real insight into this complex disorder and guidance that gave our family, including our daughter, a real chance at healing. RAD Advocates was an answer to our prayers — we feel truly grateful to have found them.

-Anne O'Connor
RAD Advocates
member

20

scholarships

given to families for support via support memberships

175

NEW families

added to membership in 2025, growing our reach in communities worldwide.

WE REACH MORE PEOPLE, THANKS TO YOU.

Forrest Lien

In 2025, RAD Advocates expanded professional education by partnering with developmental trauma expert Forrest Lien, LCSW, of Lifespan Trauma Consulting to host his on-demand course, “Attachment Through the Lifecycle: Etiology, Assessment and Treatment”, on our platform.

The training offers 4 continuing education units and provides clinicians nationwide with in-depth education on reactive attachment disorder and developmental trauma, strengthening the bridge between families and the professionals who serve them.

Misty Bickham

Lauren Henderson

2 new RAD Advocates

trained to serve more families/members

We’re pleased to welcome Misty Bickham and Lauren Henderson to RAD Advocates. Both found us during their own family struggles and now bring professional expertise to serve others. Misty, a pediatric physical therapist assistant certified in TBRI, leads our Empowered Parenting Course. Lauren, who holds a master’s degree in forensic psychology and is TBRI-certified, brings experience as a school counselor and parent support worker. Together, they strengthen our commitment to ensuring families do not walk this journey alone.

7 professional trainings

by RAD Advocates for staff in private group homes, therapy offices, juvenile court, human services departments, foster/adopt resources, universities, K-12 schools and family support services

WE COLLABORATE, THANKS TO YOU.

RAD Advocates exists because members and donors step forward to sustain this work. Many give because they understand firsthand what it means to navigate crisis — and they want other families to have support.

Allison Quadhamer

Dr. Allison Quadhamer is one of those people. After finding RAD Advocates during her family's most difficult season, Allison Quadhamer chose to give back so other families would not have to walk alone.

"I found RAD Advocates when our family was in deep crisis. They were an integral part of our team during the most stressful time in our lives so that we could restore safety in our home for our entire family. Without them, I am certain things would have turned out much differently and we would likely still be in daily crisis, or worse. I am forever grateful to RAD Advocates for the work they are doing helping families like ours. This is, unfortunately, necessary and needed work in this very broken world."

Because of donors like Allison, families find education, advocacy, and support when they need it most.

In 2025, RAD Advocates launched Pathways, our new online forum. Pathways provides a secure space for our members to connect, ask questions, share experiences and access trusted resources grounded in lived experience.

More than a platform, Pathways is a growing community — providing yet another way for families navigating developmental trauma and reactive attachment disorder to feel connected and empowered.

LOOKING AHEAD WITH PROMISE

Families can't do it alone. And neither can we. There are so many more families in need. Please join us to navigate RAD alongside them for years to come.

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