



EPILEPSY FOUNDATION

Greater Southern Illinois

A YEAR IN REVIEW

FY 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2020 – JUNE 30, 2021

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois is to lead the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures, and save lives.

OUR SERVICE AREA AND POPULATION

The Foundation's primary catchment area is the southwestern Illinois counties of Bond, Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair, Randolph and Washington. The population of these seven counties is 655,769 individuals. In addition, with our Subsidiary organization of Southern Illinois, we encompass the entire 34 county area of Greater Southern Illinois with a population of almost 1.2 million (1,198,686) people with an estimated 46,103 individuals diagnosed with epilepsy. The Foundation is a voluntary health organization and an affiliate of The National Epilepsy Foundation.

OUR SERVICES

In FY 2021 a quality full continuum of services remained our top priority and excellence in service was our goal.

EPILEPSY SERVICES COORDINATION

EFGSI provides Coordination of medical, psycho-social, and vocational services for persons with epilepsy. Case management, information and referral, advocacy and epilepsy education are also an integral part of our program.

- ❖ During FY 2021, **33** social support groups were held for individuals with epilepsy. Fifteen of these support groups were educational in nature including Seizure First Aid training, Dental Hygiene, Healthy Diet, Mental/Physical Health Awareness during COVID-19, Fire Safety, Community Safety, Community Programs for People with disabilities, American Sign Language, Emotional Awareness, How to survive the holiday blues, and other educational topics. The Eighteen social support groups included a trivia game day, Bowling, Mini-golf, Price is Right game day, Summer and Halloween Bingo, shopping, Cahokia Mounds, Two Movie under the Stars nights, Our Lady of the Snows Christmas light show, luncheons, and other social support groups. There were also smaller social gatherings throughout the year.
- ❖ **1,649** hours of service were provided to **25** Comprehensive Case Management Client and Family consumers during FY 2021.
- ❖ **818** hours of service were provided to **1,614** individuals who called for information on epilepsy and other related services. Those services included:
 - Financial medical support for **16** individuals through EFGSI's epilepsy emergency medical fund.
 - Camp Roehr, a 7 day residential camp for children with epilepsy scheduled for June, 2021, for **25** children with epilepsy from Illinois, Missouri, and surrounding states was canceled due to the COVID 19 pandemic.
 - Other registered consumer needs for **141** individuals.
 - Epilepsy awareness/service information was provided to **63** new business's in EFGSI's seven county service area.
 - **22** epilepsy education presentations and events were given in the Foundation's service area to the following total audience of **1,394** individuals:
 - ✓ **5** School and Day Care Epilepsy presentations and training for **199** students and teachers;

- ✓ **4** health fairs/disability awareness/employment/volunteer events with epilepsy materials for **815** visitors at EFGSI information booth;
 - ✓ **7** epilepsy trainings for social services agencies, Boy/Girl Scouts, Business's, and area churches for **158** individuals; and
 - ✓ **6** epilepsy trainings for **222** police officers and police cadets.
- ❖ **24** EFGSI News Flash epilepsy updates/ information were provided to **624** individuals/agencies in FY 2021.
 - ❖ Finally **9,219** individuals visited the agency's website for further information on epilepsy. In addition, there were **13,992** Twitter views and **47,411** visitors to our Facebook site for a combined total of **70,622**.

Consequently, 72,885 individuals received some form of epilepsy education, information, and coordination services in FY 2021 in EFGSI's service area.

EPILEPSY HOME BASED SERVICES

An array of non-residential support services facilitated/monitored by an EFGSI service coordinator.

18 individuals with epilepsy and/or other developmental disabilities received **245** hours of services monitoring through this program in FY 2021.

EPILEPSY COMMUNITY SUPPORTED LIVING ARRANGEMENTS (CSLA)

Intensive case management services for persons with seizure disorder and/or other developmental disabilities.

1 individual received **636** hours of intensive services from EFGSI's resource staff during FY 2021.

EPILEPSY COMMUNITY INTEGRATED LIVING ARRANGEMENTS (CILA)

Residential 24 hour program for persons with seizure disorders and/or other developmental disabilities.

This residential program served **16** individuals in three community group homes 365 days/24 hours a day during FY 2021.

INTERMITTENT COMMUNITY INTEGRATED LIVING ARRANGEMENTS (CILA)

Intermittent residential services for persons with seizure disorder and/or other developmental disabilities.

3 individual received **3420** hours of intensive services from EFGSI's resource staff during FY 2021.



Residential consumers ran into Santa at the drive-in theatre.



Santa never forgets to visit EFGSI CILA homes



Nothing like a movie under the stars



Clients from all programs enjoy snacks and a good movie at the main office.



Staff and clients could not resist a trip to the Lincoln Museum after a long, cold winter.

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**EPILEPSY FOUNDATION OF GREATER SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

REVENUE

Contributions/Other	9,816
Misc. Income	26,520
PPP Loan Forgiveness	174,700
Investment Income	4,644
Gain (Loss) on Asset Disposal	3,715
Fees/Purchase of Service	1,544,829
Grant Revenues	<u>53,035</u>
Total Revenue	1,817,259

EXPENSES

Program Services	1,379,427
Management/Fundraising	<u>110,403</u>
Total Expenses	1,489,830

Change in Net Assets	327,429
Beginning Net Assets	1,101,025
Ending Net Assets	1,428,454

FY 2021 HIGHLIGHTS

- The Epilepsy Foundation's Website views increased by about 9% for people wanting further information on epilepsy in FY2021.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois was scheduled to join the other two Illinois Epilepsy Foundation affiliates in March 2021 for the annual statewide Illinois Epilepsy Advocacy Day held at the state capitol each year. Unfortunately, the state capitol was closed to the general public due to the COVID-19 pandemic. EFGSI anticipates providing this event in FY2022.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois was unable to hold the annual agency wide Halloween party which brings individuals together from all programs for a night of music, games and entertainment, and dinner due to the COVID-19 pandemic. EFGSI anticipates providing this event in FY2022.
- The "30th" annual Camp Roehr residential camp for children with epilepsy held at the YMCA Trout Lodge and Camp Lakewood located in Potosi, Missouri each year was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. EFGSI anticipates providing Camp Roehr in 2022.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois successfully maintained its financial resources in the black (a net gain) and increased assets for FY2021.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois maintained its vehicle fleet of ten vehicles to support all agency programs in FY2021. The vehicle fleet not only reduces expenditures in programs but also increases community awareness of the Foundation and its services through the advertisement on the vehicles. In FY2021, the agency disposed of one vehicle in the fleet and purchased a newer vehicle to keep the fleet up to standards.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois also repaved/striped the main office parking lot to ensure safety of all employees, consumers, and other visitors.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois was unable to complete the years' annual Sharon's Ride, Run, Walk fundraising event due to the COVID-19 pandemic. EFGSI anticipates providing this event in FY2022.
- The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois continued implementation of the Seizure First Aid two year certification program. All EFGSI case managers as well as management staff are certified. All EFGSI trainers are certified as instructors through the National Epilepsy Foundation to provide this new program throughout the EFGSI service area as approved by the Centers for Disease Control.
- The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Southern Illinois across all programs to some degree. Through perseverance, determination, team work, and much creativity, the EFGSI was able to successfully continue to provide all services (some modified) and ensure all consumer needs were met throughout the FY2021 year.