“CHOOSE 180 helped me turn my life around. I’m now a senior in high school about to swear into the marine corps and I really don’t see this path without the 180 program.”

~Lucas  (CHOOSE180 workshop alumn)
The data speaks for itself. After completing our workshops, the commitment to new life choices sticks:

75% of participating youth have stayed out of the criminal justice system

97% of participating young adults have stayed out of the criminal justice system

(These studies were conducted in partnership with the University of Washington & City of Seattle)

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...a new choice has been made.

Of those cases, 100% have been diverted.

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Every young person desires to be loved and supported by people who will be there for life’s ups, downs, and everything in between. Your commitment to CHOOSE 180 has fulfilled this desire for thousands of young people as they have celebrated new jobs, high school graduations, first apartments, and many more milestones that otherwise may not have been possible.

Through your continued engagement, we can expand on the partnership programing we deliver with the City of Seattle and King County Prosecuting Attorney’s offices. We can also carry on the development of services with Highline School District, and create more paid summer internships for our program participants. In short, we’re able to grow, learn, and deepen our impact because of you.

In the same way our participants thrive with the support of the CHOOSE 180 community, so does our organization benefit from our own community of support. Thank you for committing to CHOOSE 180 and for being a part of our journey in transformation through choice.

Sean Goode | Executive Director

2018 Financials

Income: $736,881

Expense: $445,281

- 61.1% Government Contracts
- 13.5% Foundation Grants
- 25.4% Individual Donations
- 24.2% 180 Youth Workshops
- 24.4% 180 Young Adult Workshops
- 34.5% Beyond 180 (Post-Workshop Support)
- 6.6% Administration
- 10.3% Fundraising

$291,600 Future Program Expansion / Operational Reserve