Reflecting back on 2018, we are filled with gratitude. ITA completed its third year as an independent nonprofit, and we significantly grew our capacity to serve more people through the creative arts therapies while training clinicians, artists and educators in the most effective ways to use the arts in their professional work. Our success would not be possible without charitable foundations and individuals who understand the financial investment required for nonprofits to build a stable infrastructure that will better position the organization to serve its mission in helping others. We would like to acknowledge two longstanding partners who have financially supported ITA for several years while also serving as valued community partners.

The **Chicago Community Trust** has supported ITA’s transformation and growth since 2011, funding both programs and our general operations. In 2018, we had the unique opportunity to partner with the Trust to develop a series of trauma-informed trainings for teaching artists across Chicago, better preparing them to serve youth from low-resource communities. We were also awarded with their Inspiring Philanthropy grant, funding ITA’s leadership training in fundraising and nonprofit management. The Chicago Community Trust is committed to helping arts organizations thrive while ensuring diversity, equity and inclusion, and we could not be more proud to have their support.

The **Evanston Community Foundation** is currently supporting ITA through its Root2Fruit program, helping organizations to grow strong, providing both funding and mentorship for three years. The R2F program has helped ITA design comprehensive fundraising strategies and to develop a strong board of directors. We continue to benefit from the ongoing trainings and individual advisement the foundation provides. ECF is an extremely dedicated community foundation, and their staff have always been willing to help our team when navigating new challenges.

It can be difficult to find support for the much-needed infrastructure expenses growing nonprofits need to fund, and we were extremely fortunate to be selected as a grantee by the Service Club of Chicago last year. Their generous grant allowed us to purchase more than $15,000 in new technology to be used by our staff and clients.

Our entire community has supported ITA through many changes, and we celebrated an enormous milestone last year with the grand opening of our new Evanston clinic. We could not be more grateful to all of you, who we consider members of the ITA family. Because of you, we provided more than 4,000 creative arts therapy sessions last year across 34 different locations, launched a new research study examining the impact of music on people with dementia and their families and served our community through an anti-violence event and by bringing art to the homeless. Your support allows us to make a difference every day and bring the transformative power of the creative arts therapies to the people who need it most.

**Thank you!**
Creative Arts Therapy

Art
Dance/Movement
Drama
Music

Community and School Programs
28 Partnerships across 4 counties
Individual and Group Therapy
Consultation

Private Therapy
Individual, Family, and Group Therapy
3 clinic locations:
Chicago, Highland Park, and Evanston

Training
Workshops
Annual Conference
Internships

“Cara is so encouraging and works well with each resident and their needs/abilities.”
- Community Partner

“I truly believe that anybody wanting to pursue a career in the Creative Arts Therapies that lives in the greater Chicago/Evanston area should look into volunteering or an administrative internship with ITA.”
- Former Administrative Intern
Impact

817 CLIENTS

AGES 3 TO 101

$67,759 REDUCED THERAPY FEES FOR LOW INCOME FAMILIES

4,570 SESSIONS

28 COMMUNITY PARTNERS

4 COUNTIES

14 CITIES

34 SITES
October
Bringing art to First Presbyterian Church of Evanston’s Sunday Soup Kitchen.

January
Partnering with Northwestern to research the impact of the Musical Bridges to Memory program.

February
Dr. Marni Rosen provides trauma training for Young Chicago Authors staff.

March
Jenni Rook with Evanston Mayor Steven H. Hagerty at ribbon cutting ceremony for the grand opening of our new Evanston clinic.

May
Celebrating our achievements at our Annual Fundraiser.

June
118 people gather at our annual Creative Arts Theraplay Conference.

June
Participating in Evanston’s #WearOrange anti-violence day.

August
Awarded new technology by the Service Club of Chicago.

"Devora has grown by leaps and bounds since working with Amanda! The smiles and interactions doing one on one besides group activities is a highlight of Devora’s life."

- ITA Parent
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**Total Revenue vs. Total Expenses**

- Earned Revenue $528,557
  - Private Therapy: $334,203
  - Community Programs: $101,874
  - School Programs: $75,431
  - Professional Development: $16,073
  - Other: $976

- Contributed Revenue $86,682
  - Individual Gifts: $34,766
  - Grants: $30,664
  - Fundraising Events: $16,378
  - Capital Campaign: $4,874

**Expenses $770,405**

- Program: $573,266
- Administrative: $137,150
- Fundraising: $59,989

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Aroma Workshop
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Benefit Cosmetics Boutique & Browbar
Bespoke Commercial Real Estate
Center for Creative Arts Therapy
Chicago Bears Football Club
Chicago Shakespeare Theater
CorePower Yoga
David Sutton Studios
DB3 Donuts
First Bank & Trust
House Calls Counseling
If An Elephant Can Paint
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Ignite Glass Studios
J. Crew
Kenny the Kleener
Kimpton Hotel Monaco Chicago
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Northlight Theatre
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The Cheesecake Factory
The Happ Inn
The Spice & Tea Exchange of Evanston

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“I am so grateful for ITA and for Sophie’s help. I am also grateful for the scholarship that has enabled me to come here.”

– ITA Client
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