2019 was an exciting year of growth, work in Liberia, and new collaborations.

I decided it was time to do a recidivism study. I was very pleased to find out that for the past 14 years since we have been holding Wings For L.I.F.E. meetings we have a 4% recidivism rate (return to prison) vs. a national 9-year study which shows an 83% recidivism rate!

I knew we were making a difference, but this even surprised me! We also know that:

- 100% of youth for 14 years who attended WFL 10+ times in a calendar year progressed to the next grade!
- 100% of girls for 14 years who attended WFL 10+ times in a calendar year had NO pregnancies!

We are proud of these amazing statistics and will continue to do our best to help, train, and educate as many people as possible to live productive, law-abiding, fulfilling lives.

I thank you for your support, which allows us to continue this amazing and fun work. I always say I’m so blessed because I get to meet the greatest people in the world, and many are in or have been in prison. When we get to see people through God’s eyes, everything changes.

This year Wings continued to do its life-changing work by “just doing it”. I laugh when people ask how long Wings has been around as we have just completed our 24th year. I always like to say I just don’t give up. I know that what we are doing is changing lives. I’m called to do it, and we just keep going and following our mission to transform lives to break the generational cycle of incarceration.

In 2019 Wings hosted 10 prison family days in NM, 3 prison family days in Ohio, 3 community Family Days in Albuquerque & a L.I.F.T. workshop at the Central NMCF in Los Lunas, NM.

Wings ministered to and fed 2,660 people in prison and 769 people in NM community Family Days.

There were 43 weekly Wings For L.I.F.E. meetings—Life-skills imparted to Families through Education. There were 3,142 people who attended WFL and 620 were children/teens for an average of 73 people per meeting. A healthy, nutritious meal was served to all 3,142 WFL attendees.

6,753 people participated in Wings programs in 2019.

Wings was an active partner in Albuquerque Celebrates Recovery held at the Albuquerque Civic Plaza.

Wings participated in the second Convoy of Hope.

BBVA Compass Bank awarded Wings $2,500 to hold educational workshops at The Farm at Central NM Correctional Facility in Los Lunas, NM. The L.I.F.T. workshops (Life-skills for Inmates, Families and Training) were very well received and provide a format for future prison trainings.

I could never do this by myself. In 2019 we had at least 1,462 volunteers who helped at our events in the prisons, at WFL in Albuquerque, cookie bakers who baked thousands of cookies for us, and other volunteers who helped us in the office, with fundraisers, and other events throughout the year.

We have a dedicated, loyal, and hard-working staff and Board of Directors, and without their help and support all this would not be possible. Love and thanks to all! Ann Edenfield Sweet, Founder/Executive Director

THANKS to everyone who made 2019 such a great year!
Wings For LIFE International (Wings) is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization. The two main programs are Wings prison and community family days and Wings For L.I.F.E. (WFL) educational program. Combined gross income in 2019 was $210,947.26. Wings primary fundraiser is the Celebration of Champions gala which accounted for $48,226.96 of their income. Wings finished the year with $111,831.32 in cash, $11,980.40 in current assets which includes book inventory and prepaid assets, and $6,123.66 in fixed assets and publishing rights. Wings' only liabilities were $1,410.56 in expenses that were paid in early January 2020. The equity balance is $128,524.82. Roger Riley, Contract Accountant
### 2019 Statistics

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#### WFL Ages 2019

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#### Genders Served 2019

- Male: 35%
- Female: 65%

#### 43 WFL Meetings

- Special Highlights:
  - Dr. Seuss—Read across America
  - Back-To-School Fashion Show
  - Make a Difference Day ABQ
  - Keep Albuquerque Beautiful
  - Christmas Go Shopping
  - Manners, life skills, jobs, money, parenting, issues unique to prison
  - Pre-K programs
  - Tutoring
  - Karate classes
  - Beading classes
  - Read to dogs program

- **73 people average per meeting**

#### WFL Ethnicities for 2019

- **Hispanic**: 40%
- **Caucasian**: 27%
- **Asian**: 16%
- **Native American**: 11%
- **African American**: 3%
- **Other**: 2%

#### Comments about WFL:

- “Everyone is friendly and I felt important.”
- “I enjoyed how open people are with their struggles and shared compassion.”
- “I have learned to be respectful and outgoing.”
- “Open minds and kind hearts. I learn and grow from each meeting.”
- “I have learned to be kind and I had so much fun too! It’s great to feel less alone.”
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And MANY More!

Don Shapiro, Board Chair & Volunteer Veronica

What is Wings For L.I.F.E. (WFL)? Why is it so important? What makes it so special?

Wings For L.I.F.E. – Life-skills Imparted to Families through Education is an empowerment initiative that provides life-skills, education, training, and support for children and family members who suffer from the incarceration of their loved ones.

There are no costs to the families who participate and everyone is welcome! We have exciting plans to help grow and provide support to a new Wings program in Las Lunas, NM for youth on probation and their families. Wings For L.I.F.E. is a program that can work anywhere; inner-city, suburban areas, large and small communities, as well as in other cultures and nations. Without our volunteers, Wings would cease to exist.

In 2019 we had at least 1,462 volunteers who, week after week, made our program possible and our mission attainable. We cherish each of our volunteers who are generous, caring and capable human beings, who brings their authentic presence each week, and also volunteer in our many Prison Family Days. Each one gives hope and enriches our attendees with their talents and skills.

Yolanda Mattison, our Volunteer Coordinator, supports our volunteers to make their strengths and talents productive. Wings volunteers offer a myriad of resources such as homework help, reading and tutoring, refurbishing and donating bicycles, teaching art, parenting skills, karate, preparing and serving WFL dinners, and making our fundraisers and holiday celebrations successful.

Volunteers also provide transportation, meals and family centered activities at the Prison Family Days, and are guest speakers, many who have come year after year to hold workshops and discussions that teach best practices and support our families. Behind the scenes volunteers also include the multitude of people and businesses who donate needed goods and services. And, of course, all Wings Board members are volunteers.

What does it mean to cherish someone or something? Simply, it means to protect and care for someone lovingly or keep a special hope in one’s mind. It also means on a deep level, empathy and compassion, and that we consider the others as important or even more important than ourselves.

I have a deep appreciation for all of our Wings volunteers who have given their gifts to Wings over the past 25 years. May they remain healthy, safe, free from troubles and meaningfully engaged in the important work of Wings, as well as in their own family and career life. We know that people who are generous and give back are happier individuals and we are blessed to have a fantastic group of volunteers who bring their gifts and caring to Wings in so many different and powerful ways.

Come join us if you aren’t already involved. To see our volunteers in action, come see us and/or visit our website and enjoy the many photos, videos and testimonies.

Don Shapiro, Wings Board Chair & a HAPPY Volunteer