



Judi's House/JAG Institute

FACT SHEET

ESTABLISHED: 2002

FOUNDER'S STORY: Former NFL quarterback Brian Griese and his wife Dr. Brook Griese, a Clinical Child Psychologist founded Judi's House in honor of Brian's mother Judi who died of breast cancer when Brian was 12 years old. Brian and Brook wanted to give back to children and young adults who were also grieving the loss of an important person in their lives.

MISSION: To help children and families grieving a death find connection and healing

SCOPE OF PROBLEM: One hundred three thousand (103,000) Colorado children – 1 in 12 – will experience the death of a parent or sibling by the age of 18.

POPULATIONS SERVED :

- Direct Service: Youth ages 3 to 25 and their caregivers
- Training & Education: K-12 schools, Universities, Mental Health Professionals, and Community-at-Large

HEADQUARTERS: Denver

CEO: Michaelleen (Micki) Burns, PhD, Licensed Psychologist

EMPLOYEES: 36

CORE PROGRAMS:

- **Pathfinders:** 10-session program that allows families to heal together and build resilience in an empathetic environment
- **Community-Based Care:** Free grief care workshops for youth, staff and caregivers offered through school districts and community organizations
- **JAG Institute:** Named after Judith Ann Griese, a nationally recognized center of excellence for childhood bereavement known for producing innovative tools, research, and education

KEY METRICS (2021):

- 12,000+ families served since 2002
- 12,285 individuals reached through outreach and events
- 156 volunteers
- 8570 hours of clinical service provided to families
- 87% of grieving students reported healthy coping skills after participation in Pathfinders program*
- 84.6% of caregivers with clinical depressive symptoms showed improvement
- 22 graduate students and post graduate students received clinical training

*2019/2020 school-year data