



# STATE OF kindness

## 2016-2017 REPORT

The mission of Ben's Bells is to inspire, educate, and motivate people to realize the impact of intentional kindness, and to empower individuals to act according to that awareness, thereby strengthening ourselves, our relationships and our communities.

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# YEAR AT A GLANCE

A look at how Ben's Bells has impacted our community.\*



## \$1,533,000

### Income

Individual Charitable .....	\$120,000
Organization Charitable .....	\$122,000
Events .....	\$44,000
Shop Sales .....	\$491,000
Program Fees .....	\$253,000
Gift In-Kind .....	\$503,000



## \$1,497,000

### Related Expense

Program Services .....	\$1,254,000
Administration .....	\$91,000
Fundraising .....	\$152,000

\* unaudited numbers





**56,797**  
Ben's Bells to date



**39,000**  
Volunteers



**49,000**  
Hours Volunteered



**346,481**  
Kind Campus Students



**532**  
Kind Campus Schools



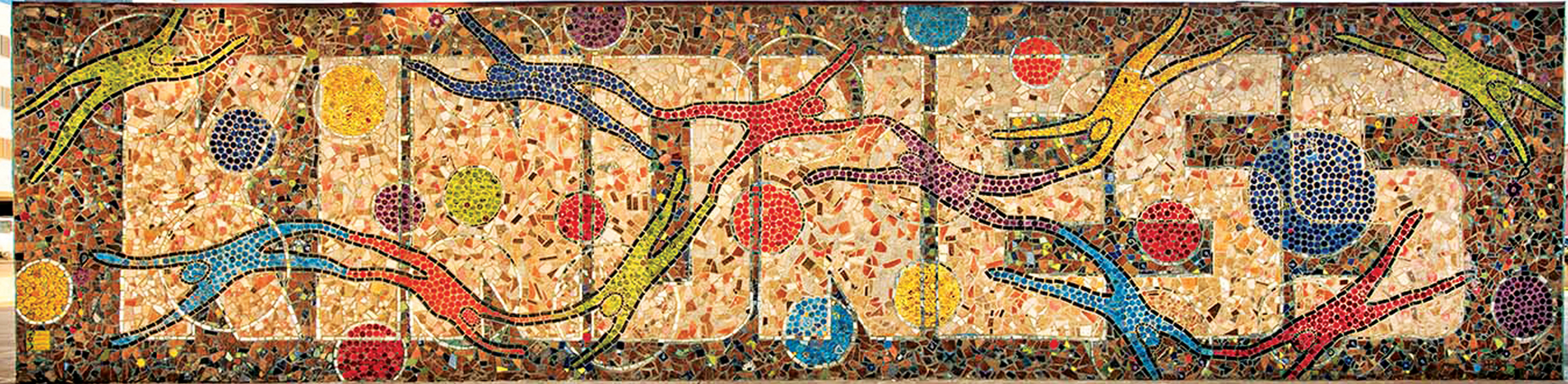
**16,630**  
Kind Colleagues to date



**182**  
School Murals to date



How beautiful a day can be  
when kindness touches it. - *George Elliston*



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**Jeannette Maré**  
*Executive Director  
Ben's Mom*

We're experiencing what has been described as a "crisis of disconnection" and an "epidemic of loneliness" in our country. At a time when we are hyper-connected via technology, we are longing for the experience of deep and meaningful connection that comes from authentic relationships. Our work at Ben's Bells is all about helping people develop a skill-set to care for themselves and the people around them. Kindness is not always easy or comfortable and it is only through intentional practice that we will become adept at navigating these rough waters. One of my favorite quotes is, "You can't stop the waves but you can learn to surf." Life seems particularly wavy these days and good surfing skills - kindness skills - have never been more important. Thank you for helping us inspire and educate people to cultivate these vital life skills!


With gratitude,

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