



FEAT-Houston 2018 Annual Report

Families for Effective Autism Treatment

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Mission Statement

FEAT-Houston's mission is to improve the quality of life of those affected by developmental disabilities by increasing resources and providing information about applied behavior analysis (ABA).

Strategies

A non-profit, 501(c)(3) charitable organization, FEAT-Houston provides information through an email listserv, website (www.feathouston.org), a parent-manned telephone line, meetings and seminars. Information and scholarship-support activities for professional development are financed through donations, grocery-store share programs and conference projects. FEAT-Houston is currently run exclusively by volunteers.

Programs and Activities for 2018

FEAT-Houston strives to serve the community by providing up-to-date information on various educational trainings for parents, teachers and anyone involved with individuals on the autism spectrum. We do this through our online events calendar and our email listserv. A listing of the current month's ABA and Special Education Law trainings are sent to our listserv of more than 2000 contacts monthly with additional emails featuring news of interest to the community two to four times per month. This allows families and professionals to easily locate trainings useful to them in their area. In 2018, the FEAT Events calendar featured 48 ABA trainings in the Greater Houston area.

In 2018, FEAT-Houston sponsored three low-cost workshops in the ABC's of ABA and 123's of ABA to train parents, teachers and therapists in the essential elements of applied behavior analysis (ABA). A total of 39 people attended the ABC's & 123s workshops in 2018.

Workshop titles in this series are:

- Managing Aggressive Behavior in Adolescents and Adults
- The ABC's of ABA
- In Spanish – Developing Functional & Expanded Communication Using ABA

Scholarships

An important part of our work is to provide a variety of scholarships for parents, students and teachers to encourage opportunities for individuals to learn more about effective techniques in educating and treating individuals with autism. FEAT-Houston granted 9 scholarships to our workshops valued at \$450 to public school teachers, paraprofessionals and parents. FEAT-Houston also helped to sponsor a conference of the Lone Star Association for Behavior Analysis on Teaching Language to Children with Autism. In addition to sponsorship, FEAT gave \$950 worth of scholarships for this conference.

FEAT-Houston believes it is important for Houston teachers and therapists who are interested in furthering their knowledge of Applied Behavior Analysis to have the opportunity to do so. Almost since the organization's inception, FEAT has provided scholarships to workshops and reimbursement for college course work in applied behavior analysis. This last year FEAT provided \$2,000 in tuition-reimbursement scholarships to area teachers enabling them to pursue certification in behavior analysis. Two Houston area teachers also were provided scholarships to attend the Texas Association for Behavior Analysis annual conference.

Community Outreach

In 2018, FEAT-Houston parent training program, ABA Start-Up, provided \$800 worth of services to a Houston area family. To qualify, families had to agree to complete a video training course and take an active part in the parent and child training they were given. Families without insurance coverage or no real access to ABA services were targeted for these grants.

FEAT-Houston has continued its outreach to the Spanish speaking community by ongoing distribution of its Spanish language DVD of the ABC's of ABA workshop. This year 10 DVD sets were provided to parents and professionals. This DVD set is also available in English and 27 of these sets in English were distributed in 2018.

A major source of information for the community is FEAT-Houston's website, www.feathouston.org. FEAT-Houston maintains an up-to-date calendar on the site of the applied behavior analysis trainings in the Greater Houston area. FEAT-Houston also provides event information through regular emailed event listings and operates a parent-manned phone line. These resources allow FEAT to inform parents and teachers of anything that might be available to help them in learning how to effectively teach individuals with autism spectrum disorders. FEAT-Houston strives to be the number one resource in our community for information on the many educational and support opportunities that are offered each month.

FEAT seeks to develop awareness of Applied Behavior Analysis in the Greater Houston area by exhibiting at various resource fairs and conferences as well as providing speakers for events. FEAT-Houston's President, Amy Wood, gave presentations and provided information to a wide variety of groups and FEAT Board members attended resource fairs and conferences in the area to provide information on effective treatment for Autism.

Finally, in support of educators and the time they invest to maintain and develop new skills, FEAT-Houston continues to meet the requirements necessary for educators to receive continuing education credit for attending FEAT-Houston training events and workshops.

FEAT-Houston Board of Directors, December 31, 2018

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2018 FEAT-Houston Statement of Functional Expense

	Program Service 1: Information, Education & Support	Program Service 2: Training Projects	Fund Raising	Admin. Expense	Total Expenses
ABA Education & Awareness	955.59		45.36		\$1,000.95
Administrative Expense				5.8	\$5.80
Bank Charges (PayPal Service Fees)	35.9		24.92		\$60.82
DVD Expense	37.74				\$37.74
Insurance	500			674	\$1,174.00
Lending Library Expense					
Payroll	112.68				\$112.68
Postage	91.2		4.7	4.1	\$100.00
Training Projects:					
-ABA Coursework Tuition Reimbursement		2,000.00			\$2,000.00
-ABA Conference Stipends		1,200.00			\$1,200.00
-ABA Start Up Grant Services		800			\$800.00
Voicemail Service	121.59				\$121.59
Workshop Expense	2,896.22				\$2,896.22
TOTALS	\$4,750.92	\$4,000.00	\$74.98	\$683.90	\$9,509.80

**FEAT-Houston Income and Expense
January through December 2018**

Income			
Workshop Income (ABC/123)		1250.00	
Donations:			
Birdies for Charity	3321.40		
Gen Donations	1527.58		
Grocery/Amazon Share Programs	750.93		
Total Donations		5599.91	
Total Income			6849.91
Expense			
ABA Education & Awareness		1000.95	
Bank Charges (PayPal Service Fees)		60.82	
DVD Expense		37.74	
Insurance		1,174.00	
Administrative Expense		5.80	
Payroll		112.68	
Postage		100.00	
Professional Resource Development			
Telephone (Voicemail Service)		121.59	
Training Projects:			
ABA Course Tuition Reimbursement	2000.00		
ABA Start Up Grant Services	800.00		
Conference Stipends	1200.00		
Total Training Projects		4,000.00	
Workshop Expense (ABC/123)		2,896.22	
Total Expense			<u>9,509.80</u>
Net Loss for 2018			-2,659.89

Net Assets as of 12/31/2018: \$ 97,291.76

Unrestricted net assets: \$ 97,291.76

Note: The board has designated that \$ 32,950 of Unrestricted Net Assets will be used to meet the 2019 budget.