Dear Friend,

With your support, Lighthouse Youth & Family Services is leading the way in creating a community where every young person has the opportunity to thrive, and we’re proud to work side-by-side with you.

This year we’ve navigated many challenges, including new buildings, an entirely new technology platform, a major overhaul of the Ohio healthcare system, and continued organizational restructuring to position us for the future. One thing will never change though and that is our commitment to deliver exceptional services. You will see how, together, we’re ending youth homelessness in Cincinnati, helping young people and families succeed, and creating a better community.

We will continue to work hard, learning and advancing as we go, and remain committed to serving young people and families when and where they need it most. We deeply appreciate every hour, every dollar, and every supportive word you give to making a difference with Lighthouse.
395 children found safe shelter at Mecum House

313 young people experiencing homelessness stayed in the shelter at the Sheakley Center for Youth

Over 5,000 children, youth & families served

Youth housing opportunities served 306 clients by providing housing, life skills training, and other services
David* says his experiences at Lighthouse Youth Center at Paint Creek have enabled him to change his mindset. As a child, David was exposed to drugs, alcohol, abuse, and his father went to jail. After entering the juvenile justice system, David decided to take steps to better himself. While at Paint Creek, David has learned to take responsibility for his actions and how to harness his energy for positive results. He’s looking forward to going to college and helping the next generation not make the same mistakes he did.

*Name is changed to protect confidentiality.
Carly*, a single mother with a four-year-old son, is now looking forward to a bright future with the support of Lighthouse. Carly grew up in four different foster homes. While attending Lighthouse Community School, she learned about Lighthouse’s independent living program. During the past two years, Lighthouse staff helped Carly learn to cook meals, create a budget, and clean while living in a furnished apartment provided by Lighthouse. She has also worked consistently and has been promoted to assistant restaurant manager. Today, Carly is renting a home in a safe neighborhood, and she and her son are very happy.

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Lighthouse foster parent Karabeth Bolin spent time in foster care growing up and knew she wanted to provide children like her with a home. This year, she adopted Kaden and Kaiel, three-year-old twins she had been fostering since just after they were born. Kaden and Kaiel are energetic toddlers. Kaiel will face some challenges as he grows up due to a genetic disorder that will cause development disabilities. Karabeth, with the support of her partner Kristine, is aware of the challenges and ready to face them. With a structured routine, patience, and love, Kaiel is doing better than most children with his condition and is enrolled in a pre-kindergarten program.
Approximately 200 children are in Lighthouse foster care each day.

31 adoptions

1,090 children received early intervention services (Early intervention serves birth to 3 year olds)

The school’s garden tended by students produced approximately 2.5 tons of food that was sold or donated.

364 students assisted by school-based services
LEADERSHIP TEAM

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MISSION

To advance the dignity and well-being of children, youth, and families in need.

CORE VALUES

Integrity, Diversity, Excellence, Adaptability, Family, Optimism, Respect

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606 volunteers spent 7,921 hours making a difference

Volunteers are a vital part of Lighthouse, and there’s a lot you can do.

Contact Tessa Barnard at 513-487-7122 or tbarnard@lys.org to learn more about how you can help.

2,000 children and families helped through the Happy Holidays Gift Drive

243 meals donated to Lighthouse Shelters

243 meals
REVENUE

- $12,661,868 City/County Funds
- $5,841,974 Medicaid
- $4,375,441 State Funds
- $4,564,016 Federal Funds
- $2,040,310 Contributions
- $1,271,610 Other

TOTAL REVENUE $30,755,219

ASSETS

Property & Equipment $18,805,631
Investments $10,606,990
Current Assets $8,877,157
Other Assets $11,057,716
Total Assets $49,347,494

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

- Current Liabilities $2,232,074
- Long Term Liabilities $11,523,666
- Total Liabilities $13,755,740
- Net Assets $35,591,754
- Total Liabilities and Net Assets $49,347,494
SAVE THE DATE

Happy Holidays Gift Drive
December 2018

Beacon of Light Humanitarian Awards Gala
Celebrating 50 Years of Service
April 13, 2019

For more information, please contact VP, Development and Grants, Jessica Wabler at jwabler@lys.org or 513-487-7101.

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