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IMPACT REPORT



LIGHTHOUSE
YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES

JULY 1, 2022 – JUNE 30, 2023



Thank You

Dear Friends,

You make all the difference.

Your generosity made all the difference last year for children, teenagers, and young adults working to reach their full potential. Whether a young person turned to Lighthouse for outpatient mental health services, residential treatment, foster care, emergency shelter, community juvenile justice services, or housing, they received personalized care and unconditional support.



Debbie White Richardson

Our dedicated and compassionate staff deliver excellence every day, no matter the circumstance or challenge. We're honored our staff chooses Lighthouse. As a result of their anonymous feedback, Lighthouse ranks among the Top Workplaces in our region. Their response also resulted in national recognition, including a Culture Excellence award and a Nonprofit Industry award.



Paul Haffner

At Lighthouse, our commitment to meeting the needs of our community never ends. One of the biggest challenges we face right now is the youth mental health crisis. Far too many young people are going without needed mental health services. Obstacles in funding and workforce shortages stand in the way of broadening our impact. Yet, these challenges will not discourage us from seeking ways to expand access to mental health care, always guided by our commitment to equity, inclusion, and respect for our youth and families.

We are so grateful for your support. We appreciate every hour, every dollar, and every supportive word you give to making a difference with Lighthouse.

You make all the difference.

Sincerely,

Debbie White Richardson
Board Chair

Paul Haffner
President & CEO



Mission

Empower young people and families to succeed through a continuum of care that promotes healing and growth

Vision

To be the leader in creating a community where every young person has the opportunity to thrive

Equity Statement

Our mission and vision reflect our fundamental belief that delivering inclusive services promotes justice and equity for underrepresented youth and families. Our commitment is to build and sustain a culture where everyone feels valued and heard. We strive to continuously challenge ourselves and the community to advocate for and create system change.

Values

Integrity: We do what we say we will do.

Diversity: We value differences in perspective and experience.

Excellence: We challenge ourselves to do our best.

Adaptability: We meet the changing needs of our community.

Family: We support families for healthy children and a strong community.

Optimism: Everyone has the capacity to grow and to contribute to the community.

Respect: We honor and uplift the voices and experiences of others.





Precious arrived at the Sheakley Center for Youth, homeless, traumatized, and feeling like a failure. She expected rejection after an unsuccessful stay in 2019. Precious dropped out of high school and bounced around different states for four years, looking for a fresh start. She found her fresh start in the place she least expected, the Sheakley Center, where she was immediately welcomed.

“The shelter staff connected me with mental health services at Lighthouse and helped me get my GED. I also got a job that I kept while in the shelter. After meeting my goals at the Sheakley Center, Lighthouse helped me to move into my own apartment. I’m currently enrolled in the Freestore Foodbank’s Cincinnati Cooks program with the goal of starting my own catering company. I couldn’t see a way out before I entered the shelter at Lighthouse, but they supported me, and now I have a vision and dream for my future.”

Precious now has a vision and dream for her future



Aaron’s life felt out of control when he arrived at Lighthouse Youth Center at Paint Creek (Paint Creek). He found himself in and out of legal trouble as he struggled with self-destructive behaviors and low self-esteem.

While in residential treatment at Paint Creek, Aaron found the guidance and unconditional support he needed to achieve a brighter future. Through therapeutic interventions, personalized support, academic assistance, and life skills training, Aaron began to thrive. He learned to challenge negative thought patterns and discovered his strengths. Now at home, Aaron attends college while working full time and is on the Dean’s List.

“Thank you to everyone who helped me while I was at Paint Creek. I wouldn’t be this successful without you.”

Aaron achieved the success he never thought he would



Keeziah was in college and homeless. Keeziah, a sophomore at UC Blue Ash, experienced homelessness throughout her childhood and again at the end of the spring semester last May. She was couch surfing until her mom suggested she contact Lighthouse.

Keeziah said her happiest moment was when she got the call about getting an apartment through Lighthouse's Youth Housing Opportunities program. After going through so much, Keeziah said she's excited to now focus on her education, employment, and achieving her goals. She wants to work in the community and help people like her. She's grateful for the support and opportunities she has found at Lighthouse.

With your help, Keeziah has a place to call home



The death of Lexi's grandmother in 2020 turned her life upside down. Lexi began living with her grandmother five years earlier after being abused by her parents. As she was shuffled from group home to group home, Lexi became rebellious and started making what she describes as poor decisions that put her life in a downward spiral.

When she returned from a residential treatment program last fall, 17-year-old Lexi connected with OhioRISE (Resilience through Integrated Systems and Excellence) through Lighthouse. The program provides access to care coordination, help navigating state systems and treatment options, and more for youth with complex needs. Her OhioRISE team quickly connected Lexi with the services she needed. She's now living in independent housing, enrolled in high school, and ready to get a part-time job. Her goal is to attend college and become a social worker to help others.

Lexi feels ready to achieve her goals

Helping Young People Thrive Fiscal Year 2023



Lighthouse foster parents cared for **230** children.



837 young people received outpatient mental health services.



Mecum House welcomed **419** 10-17 year olds seeking safety.



Youth Housing Opportunities supported **376** young adults in their efforts to achieve independence.



67 youth were nurtured at Lighthouse's Cincinnati residential treatment locations.



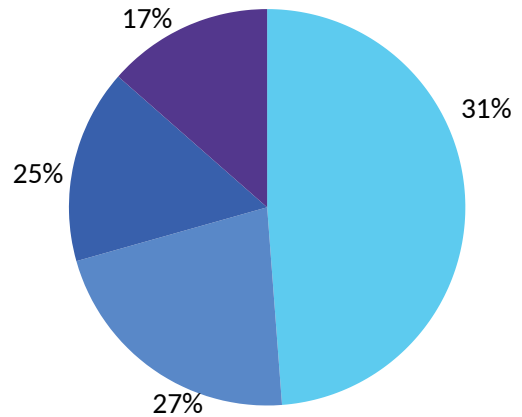
290 young adults found shelter and services at the Sheakley Center for Youth.



Expenses

By Service Line

Clinical Services	\$ 15,016,862
Homeless Youth Services	\$ 6,713,350
Administration	\$ 4,876,655
Residential Treatment & Juvenile Justice Services	\$ 4,164,009

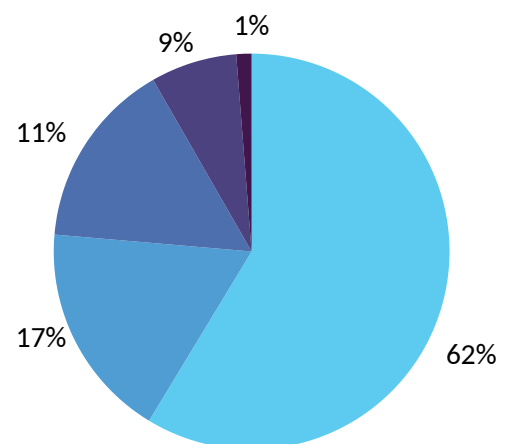


Total Service Line Expenses

\$ 30,770,876

By Function

Salaries & Benefits	\$ 18,054,621
Professional Fees*	\$ 5,443,343
Occupancy, Equipment & Supplies	\$ 4,720,854
Individual Assistance	\$ 2,169,100
Travel & Meetings	\$ 382,958



*Significant portion of professional fees is foster parent stipends.

Total Function Expenses

\$ 30,770,876

Expenses

TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES \$ 25,894,221

TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES \$ 4,284,420

TOTAL FUNDRAISING EXPENSES \$ 592,235

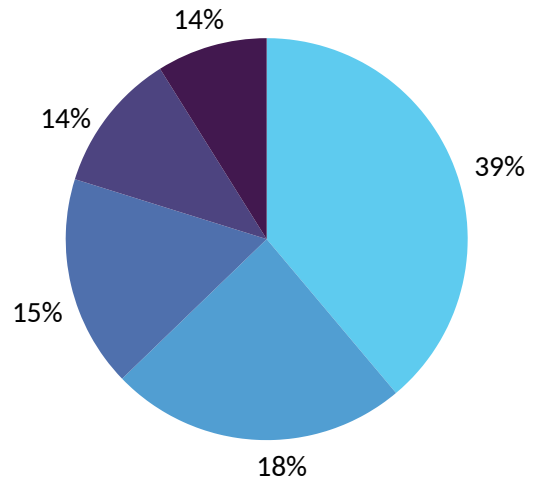
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Revenue

City/County Funds	\$11,309,406
Medicaid	\$ 6,956,029
State Funds	\$ 4,958,059
Federal Funds	\$ 3,279,496
Contributions	\$ 2,590,787
Other*	\$ 1,994,165



Total Revenue \$ 31,087,942

ASSETS

Property and Equipment	\$ 19,242,433
Investments	\$ 15,160,126
Current Assets	\$ 12,596,703
Other Assets	\$ 7,256,354

Total Assets \$ 54,255,616

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities	\$ 3,103,434
Long Term Liabilities	\$ 10,238,008

Total Liabilities \$ 13,341,442

Total Net Assets \$ 40,914,174

Total Liabilities and Net Assets \$ 54,255,616

*Includes investment performance



Leadership Team



Paul Haffner
President & CEO



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Ways to Help

HAPPY HOLIDAYS GIFT DRIVE

Light up the holidays for children and families in need! Join the Lighthouse Happy Holidays Gift Drive and feel the glow of giving while sparking happiness for those who need it most. Sponsor a child or family, set up a Giving Tree, or donate much-needed items. **November 27–December 8, 2023**

LEAVE A LEGACY

Whether you would like to put your donation to work today or benefit Lighthouse after your lifetime, there are charitable plans that let you provide for your family and support Lighthouse. Tax savings are one benefit, but more than that, you ensure your legacy of helping others continues.

DONATE THROUGH YOUR IRA

If you are over the age of 72, consider using an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution as a tax-wise way to help young people and families in need. You can donate up to \$100,000 each year to Lighthouse, satisfy your annual Required Minimum Distribution (if applicable), and exclude these funds from your taxable income. Contact your tax advisor for more information.

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Help young people reach their goals every time you swipe your Kroger Plus Card. Go to KrogerCommunityRewards.com, sign in to your account, search for “Lighthouse Youth” in the Find an Organization box, and click “Enroll” in the Lighthouse box. You’ll start making a difference right away while still earning your fuel points.

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OF LIGHT**

April 13, 2024
6:00 p.m.
20th Century Theater



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