

# 2022

# ANNUAL REPORT

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*Engaging and Empowering  
Families and Community with  
Love, Compassion, Faith,  
and Support*

*God's Children. Our Purpose.*



# A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Lutheran Child & Family Service (LCFS) Donors, Partners, and Friends,

Looking back on 2022, I am amazed and proud of what LCFS achieved in a year emerging from the pandemic which caused incalculable harm and death, decimated our economy, and upended business operations and our daily routines. With extraordinary will, perseverance, and the amazing support provided by LCFS' leadership team, staff members, and our key partners, Community Health Network (CHNw) and The Foundation for Lutheran Child and Family Services (LCFS Foundation), in 2022 LCFS fought through the hardships and created hope for hundreds of youths and families through its various programs.

As you read about and see in this Annual Report, in 2022 LCFS staff members were able to provide critical faith-centered services and compassionate care to those members of our community who are most in need of love, understanding, and nourishment. There are many persons and reasons that LCFS successfully fulfilled its mission in 2022, but there are four key factors that I wish to highlight, as follows:

**Restoration of LCFS Services.** Because of the pandemic, in 2021 LCFS restricted the number of youths in the Lutherwood residential treatment center and closed the Emergency Shelter. Although faced with staffing challenges that continue to this day, in 2022 the Lutherwood program was reinvigorated, and the Emergency Shelter was reopened. Thus, LCFS continues to provide critical care and treatment to abused, neglected, and abandoned children with severe emotional and/or behavioral challenges.

**Therapeutic Services Agreement with Ascent 121.** In 2022, LCFS crafted a new Therapeutic Services Agreement with its essential long-time partner, Ascent 121. In turn, the new Agreement assures the growth of the Impact program focused on providing comprehensive care and therapeutic services to minors who are at high risk of child exploitation and/or human trafficking.

**Renewal of the Management Services Agreement (MSA) between CHNw and LCFS.** Initially put in place in December 2012, the MSA was renewed in 2022 to extend its term to January 2028. Thus, the successful working partnership between CHNw and LCFS will continue to enable both organizations to support key programs such as The Pando Aspen Grove of Community Heights (Pando) Permanent Supportive Housing Program, Lutherwood, Emergency Shelter, Trinity House, the Impact Program, and Community Based Services.

LCFS is and will forever be grateful for your vital role in supporting LCFS. Our many donors, grant providers, and volunteers are key partners in the vital work that must be done daily to assure a brighter future for people most in need. LCFS can never adequately express its gratitude for your generosity.

As I think back on all that LCFS accomplished in 2022, I am confident that in this time of continuing challenge and change, LCFS has continued to evolve, grow, and strengthen. Thank you for being part of that journey and for all that you do to support LCFS.

Tom Grau  
President, LCFS Agency Board of Directors

# 2022 HIGHLIGHTS AND MILESTONES



- 1.** In October 2022, our new Spiritual Life Leader, Kathy, started at LCFS. In her first two months, Kathy restarted the volunteer program within SEED
- 2.** In June 2022, we began a new Modern Apprentice Program (MAP) through EmployIndy. The apprentices work with our Youth Enrichment Coordinator running an after-school program and engaging with the youth in our INSPIRE program
- 3.** LCFS received \$145k in capital capacity funding from The Sharing Place Food Pantry from Gleaners in March 2022
- 4.** In January 2022, LCFS was notified that we would receive \$13k in funding for the Lutherwood Summer Program

In 2022, LCFS Provided **106** residential youth with:

- 41,027** meals
- 13,712** nights of shelter
- 1,538** client transport trips
- 1,620** recreation services/activities
- 667** health screening/services

And held:

- 5** chapel services
- 37** formerly homeless individuals received housing through the Pando Program



## Community-based programs provided:

**872,459.3** pounds of food to 11,001 families (**46,249** people)

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**190** families (**938** people) with a Christmas shopping experience to provide gifts and groceries for their families

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**130** families (**267** individuals) served through our 2Generation INSPIRE program



# RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

*LCFS has several residential programs operated in collaboration with Community Health Network:*

***Lutherwood Residential Treatment Center*** - Specializes in the care and treatment of abused, neglected, and abandoned children ages 6-21 who exhibit chronic behavioral or emotional challenges. Within Lutherwood, we also have IMPACT, a specialized unit operated with the additional support of Ascent 121 to provide comprehensive care coordination and intensive therapeutic services for survivors of human trafficking.

***Emergency Shelter Care*** - Provides an immediate safe haven for males and females ages 12-18, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

***Trinity House Group Home*** - An independent living group home designed to help young men, ages 14-21, learn the skills necessary to live as independent adults while working toward their high school diploma/GED, pursuing collegiate coursework, and/or planning for a career.

***Pando Aspen Grove of Community Heights (Pando) Permanent Supportive Housing*** - a housing program for young adults 18-24 who have experienced homelessness. Priority is given to those who have been involved in the foster care/child welfare system. Pando provides affordable housing and voluntary supportive services to promote health and wellness, educational achievement, employment/career development, and opportunities to build social capital.



*In addition, LCFS has the following programs and services that support our residential programs:*

***Lutherwood Academy*** - Partnered with Indianapolis Public Schools, LCFS provides a comprehensive on-site curriculum for grades K-12, including in-school behavior management and a full-day educational schedule.

***Spiritual Engagement, Education, & Development (SEED)*** - Grounded in all our programs, SEED is a healing network that promotes personal growth, renewed relationships, and the development of spirit-filled lives.

# COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS



*LCFS has multiple community-based initiatives operated in collaboration with The Foundation for Lutheran Child and Family Services*

***The Sharing Place*** - Community assistance program provides food to youth and families in need.

***The Emergency Diaper Dispensary (TEDD)*** - Diaper assistance program providing diapers to babies and families in need. By referral only.

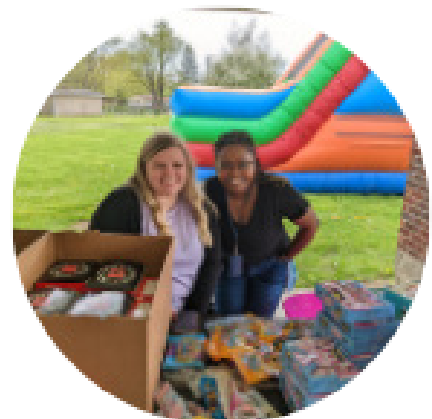
***The Christmas Store*** - LCFS operates this seasonal giving program to support struggling families by providing them with a selection of Christmas gifts for their children and Christmas dinner. By referral only.



*In addition, LCFS offers the following community-based programs and services with other collaborators:*

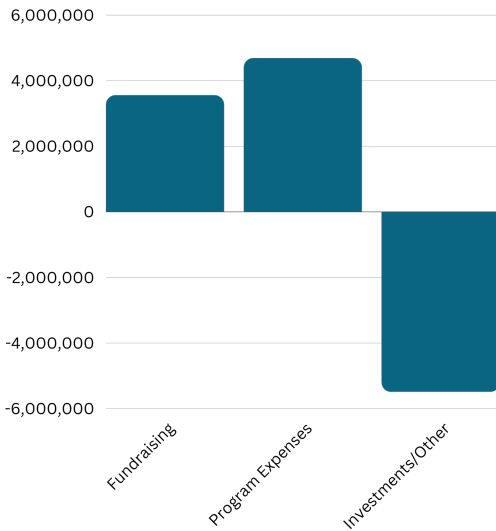
***Home-based Therapeutic Services*** - In collaboration with Community Health Network, LCFS provides an array of services in client homes, including case management services, in-home therapeutic treatment, parenting, counseling, family preservation, and crisis management services.

***INSPIRE Program*** - INSPIRE is operated in collaboration with Community Health Network, Paramount Schools of Excellence, Goodwill of Central and Southern Indiana, Indianapolis Legal Aid Society, the Metropolitan School District of Lawrence Township, and IPS 88. INSPIRE offers 2 Generation (2Gen) services to help families gain the skills and resources needed to achieve their personal and family goals for economic success.



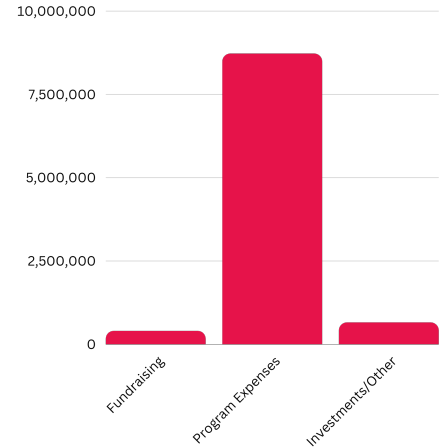


# 2022 FINANCIAL RESULTS



<b>Fundraising</b>	3,547,484	129.4%
<b>Program Service Fees</b>	4,679,363	170.7%
<b>Investments/Other</b>	(5,486,196)	-200.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,740,651</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

<b>Fundraising</b>	394,957	4.0%
<b>Program Expenses</b>	8,719,030	89.3%
<b>Investments/Other</b>	648,184	6.6%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,762,171</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



**Financial Results presented are the consolidated results of Lutheran Child and Family Services and The Foundation for LCFS**



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