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"Imagine With Me"





Hats Off to Our Seniors!

On June 28th, 10-11:30 AM, The Children's Center will be hosting a graduation celebration for clients that are 2022 high school graduates! Graduates can participate in free giveaways and are welcome to bring a guest to attend the brunch and celebration. Please contact Wanda Burke at <u>wburke@</u> <u>thechildrenscenter.com</u> or 313-632-1979.

The Power of Possibilities

On May 10th, The Children's Center hosted the 18th Annual Power of Possibilities Breakfast, presented by Ford Motor Company, entirely virtual for the 3rd year. The event was very successful in increasing awareness of the incredible work done at The Children's Center as well as raised more than \$369,000!

The theme for the Power of Possibilities Breakfast was Imagine With Me, a theme that prompted viewers to imagine life in someone else's shoes. The Children's Center is there for people of different backgrounds, lifestyles, and neighborhoods. And we all dream of a bright and beautiful future for not only the children receiving services, but also the families that support them.

This year there were four families who provided personal testimonials and spoke about their experiences over the years with The Children's





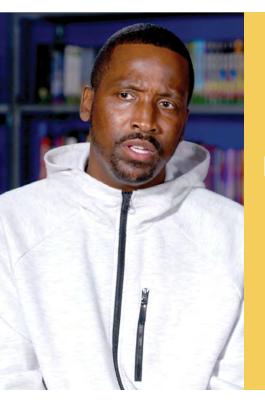
The Children's Center In the News

Fox 2's Hilary Golston paid a visit to The Children's Center in May to learn more about our Foster Care Services. She interviewed Lynda Dandridge, Child Welfare Director, who shared an overview of the program and expressed appreciation for our foster parents. Hilary also paid a visit to foster parent Cynthia Johnson and see the new renovations in Building 90!



Lend a Hand this Summer at Camp!

Are you looking for ways for your team to bond or do you lead a community group interested in giving back? We offer several opportunities for volunteer groups to lend a hand! Join us in a campus beautification project, sorting donations in our Boutique, or being a part of our annual Summer Camp! For more info or to reserve your group's spot, contact Adrienne Polumbo at <u>apolumbo@</u> thechildrenscenter.com, or visit <u>TheChildrensCenter.com/Take-Action/Volunteering-Opportunities</u>.



Meet the Client Services Team!

The Client Services Team works to support the staff and families at The Children's Center. They are the first smiles that you see Center: Darlene Ross, an almost 20-year foster care mother, David Simmons, super-dad of three, Phoenicia Jackson, a voice of positivity and strength for her son, and Arlyssa Heard, a dedicated mother encouraging change in the treatment of young black boys. The videos of these families are available for viewing on YouTube and the QR code is below.

The success of this event is thanks to the many Table Captains that volunteered their time, staff members dedicated to this event, and especially a big thanks to the family's that chose to share their personal stories. Their powerful words serve to uplift and inspire others. In the words of our President, Debora Matthews, "let's imagine together, achieve together, let's dream **DONATE** V

together, and become together."

If you are interested in donating to the Power of Possibilities Event, please scan the QR code.



when you walk through the door and the last warm good-bye when exiting. By assisting with visitor, staff, and client needs, arranging visitor appointments, booking transportation for clients, requesting interpreter services, and verifying insurance, this team supports the families and staff at The Children's Center. They are devoted, dedicated and always willing to pitch in. The Client Services Team consists of Jatauna Beamer, Patricia Phillips, T'Yanna Jamison, Andrea Lyon, and Dina Sommerville.

Thank You Caregivers!

May was National Foster Care Awareness Month and The Children's Center would like to recognize our caregivers for their hard work. The Children's Center cannot do our work without them! Our Caregivers pour so much energy into our youth everyday to help make a difference in their lives. There aren't enough words to express our gratitude towards our caregivers, but we would like to take this moment to give the caregivers a huge thank you from all of our staff and children that we service!



Imagine With Us

The Children's Center hosts the Power of Possibilities Breakfast each year to inspire community members to give, but also to teach people about The Children's Center and the great work we do. We want to thank our loyal supporters and our many volunteers for imagining a brighter future with us!

If you would like to make a monthly donation to support The Children's Center — please consider becoming a Believer!

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