Since 1894, ChildServ has built better lives for more than 140,000 children. We are proud to build better lives for children and families in Cook, DuPage, Kane and Lake counties through our home-based programs as well as services provided at the following locations:

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8765 W. Higgins, Suite 450
Chicago, IL 60631
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Chicago, IL 60653
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Naperville, IL 60523
(630) 778-7250

Note: ChildServ operates group homes in Downers Grove, Lisle and Naperville. For our clients’ privacy and protection, those addresses are not listed.
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Checklist for Building Better Lives!

☐ MAKE A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION
Contribute online - Make a secure online donation using your credit card at www.childserv.org or mail a gift to ChildServ, 8765 W. Higgins Rd., Suite 450, Chicago, IL 60631.

☐ GET YOUR EMPLOYER INVOLVED
Encourage your business or employer to give to ChildServ.

☐ CREATE A FUTURE LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP
Create a scholarship for a year of early childhood learning services for a child in our programs in the name of your family or business. One year of programming costs $2,500 and can help a child living in poverty start school ready to learn.

☐ INCLUDE CHILDSERV IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS
Designate ChildServ as a beneficiary in your will or life insurance policy.

☐ PURCHASE OUR A BETTER LIFE COFFEE COLLECTION
Love coffee? With each bag sold, 10% of the proceeds support our programs, helping children and families to reach their potential.

☐ SPONSOR AN EVENT OR AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITY
Support our clients—either through individual or corporate sponsorship—by hosting events and activities throughout the year.

☐ MAKE AN IN-KIND GIFT
Donate new furniture, mattresses, diapers, baby and children’s clothing, coats, pajamas, bath products and shower curtains.

☐ TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN BUILDING BETTER LIVES
Join our Auxiliary Board, Board of Trustees or President’s Council.

☐ MENTOR A YOUTH
Provide support to a teen in our group homes or Emerge program and help them achieve their personal, academic and professional goals.

☐ BECOME A FOSTER PARENT
Open your heart and home to a child who has experienced trauma and abuse.

☐ CREATE A TEAM-BUILDING EXPERIENCE THAT HELPS KIDS AT RISK
Encourage your company to volunteer to beautify a home or lend their business acumen to help our programs.

For more information about how you can impact the lives of children, contact Zulma Colon, Director of Donor Relations, at (773) 867-7361 or zcolon@childserv.org.
Dear Friends,

Vision. Progress. Gratitude. Three words that define another exciting year at ChildServ.

As we reflect on a successful Fiscal Year 2018, we are grateful to you, our supporters and partners in mission to build better lives for children. Your generosity provides opportunity and safety for 2,501 kids and families throughout Cook, DuPage, Kane and Lake counties as they strive to reach their potential.

After ChildServ’s record-breaking 2017, we redoubled our efforts this past year, focusing on innovative ways to produce the best possible outcomes for our clients and ensure the agency’s financial well-being. In doing so, we achieved three important goals:

- 50-family expansion of our in-home early childhood education program in Kane and Lake counties;
- A balanced budget for the first time in three years; and
- 30% fundraising growth to build better lives for our children.

These crucial milestones were made possible by your kindness and generosity, as well as the tremendous hard work and dedication of our Board of Trustees, senior leadership and team.

While we recognize our accomplishments as significant, ChildServ will be even more bold, creative and strategic in 2019 as we work to become Chicago’s premier human services agency.

We will increase our impact by ensuring that more kids and families living in poverty reach developmental milestones and become ready to succeed in school. ChildServ will also remain committed to finding more safe, supportive homes for children in foster care and providing additional stable housing for teens and homeless young adults.

ChildServ appreciates the support of our Board of Trustees, Auxiliary Board, community, corporate and faith partners, foster parents, volunteers and team, and invite you to join us in making 2019 our best year yet as we fulfill our mission to protect, heal and educate children and families who are at risk so they can build better lives.

Best regards,

Dan Kotowski
President and CEO

John Gotschall
Chair, Board of Trustees
604 CHILDREN were ready to succeed in school due to our early childhood learning program, according to a national assessment tool.

99% of parents in our program established goals to help their child succeed in school.

38 CHILDREN found permanent, loving homes through adoption, permanent guardianships and family reunifications.

100% of children who returned home, placed with a guardian or adopted now live in a safe and stable, permanent home.

Create a Legacy of Building Better Lives!

By naming ChildServ as a beneficiary in your estate, trust or will, you can make a lasting impact in the lives of our children and families and help them reach their potential.

To make ChildServ a full or partial beneficiary of your estate, trust or will, contact your attorney.

For IRA, 401(K), annuity or life insurance policy legacies, request a beneficiary designation form from your plan administrator.

Our legal name is ChildServ, and tax identification number is 36-2171716.

For more information, contact April Redzic, VP of Resource Development, at aredzic@childserv.org or (773) 867-7350.
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### Impact and Outcomes

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#### Safe Living Environments

31 TEENS

- received counseling to heal from trauma, encouragement to finish high school and life skills training so they can become empowered adults.

#### Empowering Youth

50 YOUNG ADULTS

- moved from homelessness to having safe apartments and received life skills training, including financial planning, resume writing and interview skills.

- 97% of clients are career-oriented—employed, in school or actively seeking or changing jobs.
DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES

Fred P. Boulais
Kimberly Brisky
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Lorraine Buckley
Howard P. Byers
Helen L. Carlock
Margaret C. Clayton
Kim Coffing
Cheryl B. Cohn
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Tim Reinen
Right At Home—Northern Lake County
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Hiroko Tanji
Andrea H. Thomas
Thomson UMC
Leo J. Tierney
Lisa Totino
Mai-Anh L. Tran
Camille Trombetta
Megan Trubich
Helen C. Vinovich
Chris Walters
Kimberly Walz
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Lynelle P. Werden
Marcellie Wilkins
Hugh D. Williams
Nellie Winters
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Aida Yershigeshova

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Meet Sara and Angelina

Education meant so much to Sara* that before her daughter Angelina* was born, she enrolled her in ChildServ’s early learning program in Elgin. Sara needed help with necessities like diapers for Angelina, but she also wanted to make sure that Angelina was prepared to succeed once she entered school.

During their first in-home visit, Sara and her ChildServ Parent Educator Kristina established goals for Angelina and talked about the significance of reading to jumpstart her daughter’s vocabulary and doing “tummy time” to strengthen her neck and back muscles.

Angelina loved “tummy time” and quickly learned to sit-up and crawl. By her second birthday, Angelina was playing with playing with blocks, scribbling and reading with her mom, especially books with textures.

But Sara noticed that her daughter showed little interest in standing or walking. She didn’t want Angelina to fall further behind, so she talked with Kristina about how to help her daughter advance beyond crawling.

Kristina came to their next meeting with activities aimed at first getting Angelina to pull herself up to a standing position, but after hours of practice and multiple visits, Angelina showed little improvement.

Kristina knew they needed additional support so she connected Sara and Angelina with Mary, a licensed physical therapist with extensive experience working with children. Mary volunteered her time to join Kristina at their next session, teaching Sara new techniques to support Angelina’s efforts to stand and walk.

By the end of that visit, Angelina was able to stand up and confidently lower herself back down.

Sara and Angelina continued to use Mary’s advice and techniques while practicing at home, and when Kristina returned two weeks later, Angelina was climbing onto furniture and pushing around anything that wasn’t bolted to the floor.

After a while, Angelina took her first unsteady but independent steps. Sara was thrilled to witness her daughter’s resilience and see her achieve these important milestones.

“Without ChildServ, Angelina would be behind, but now, she’s ready to grow up and have a good life.”

ChildServ will ensure an additional 50 children and families who are at risk in Elgin and Lake County become ready to succeed in school as the result of two Illinois State Board of Education grants.

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Meet James and Mr. Willis

James* had a history of early childhood trauma.

He lived most of his adolescent years with his maternal grandmother, who formally adopted him in 2015. She cared for and provided him with the support he needed to work through his trauma and continue with school.

But shortly after his adoption, his grandmother suddenly passed away. Without her love and guidance, he felt lost.

James briefly lived with his adoptive sisters. But when one of them became physically abusive, he started living on the streets, missing school and getting in trouble with law enforcement.

By the time his ChildServ case manager Lola identified Mr. Willis as a foster parent for James, he was on probation.

As James settled into Mr. Willis’ home, they started talking about James’ future and his goals—something he had never done before.

James wanted to have a place of his own and a steady job.

They agreed that for his goals to become a reality, James needed to go back to school and get his high school diploma.

To help, Lola and Mr. Willis worked with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services to find a daily program to improve his reading.

And with Mr. Willis’ encouragement and having the stability he needed, James worked hard to make up for the time he missed in class.

This past spring, James graduated from high school. Soon after, he started a part-time job rehabbing houses, saving money for his own home.

One of his favorite things to do is cook, a skill Mr. Willis taught him that will serve him well when he’s living independently.

James and Mr. Willis have grown close—to the point where he calls Mr. Willis, “Pops.” He sees Mr. Willis as both a mentor and role model for the man he wants to be when he’s older.

“I look up to Mr. Willis, and since living with him, I feel as good about my life as I ever have.”

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**Fiscal Year 2018 Events**

ChildServ’s Founder’s Day Gala raised nearly $300,000 for our children and families.

Dan Kotowski (left) and Chair of the Board of Trustees John Gotschall (right) present the Lucy Rider Meyer Humanitarian Award to HBK Engineering, LLC’s CEO Ron Kaminski, honoring HBK’s volunteer efforts and commitment to building better lives for our kids.

ChildServ hosted our inaugural Stand Up For Kids Comedy Night in May, at Chicago’s Stage 773.

The event featured hilarious performances from local comedian Ralphie Roberts (left), WGN TV’s Ana Belaval (center left) and WGN Radio’s Patti Vasquez (center right), pictured here with CEO Dan Kotowski (right).

The evening raised more than $20,000 for our kids.

In April, members of ChildServ’s Auxiliary Board participated in a volunteer event at Cradles to Crayons Chicago’s Giving Factory, cleaning and sorting toys so that our children have what they need to build better lives and reach their potential.
Fiscal Year 2018 Financial Information

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Comparative Statement of Activities for years ending June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2018

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Meet Kenny

Kenny® came to ChildServ’s Lisle group home in September 2017 with a specific goal: he wanted to finish high school so that he could go to college. But until ChildServ, he didn’t have the support he needed to achieve his dream.

When he was younger, Kenny was removed from his parents’ custody due to abuse and neglect, leading to behavioral and emotional challenges. He spent time in residential facilities, but they were unable to provide the right care.

Kenny found support and encouragement from ChildServ’s group home staff and Peter, his on-site therapist. They became positive, stable presences in his life as he adjusted to a new living environment and worked through issues with his parents and his older brother.

Kenny enrolled at both Lisle High School and Camelot Therapeutic Day School of Hoffman Estates, which gave him the opportunity to learn in a classroom setting that provided more individual assistance.

While at the group home, Kenny’s older brother Andre contacted him, bringing up past trauma. But with Peter’s help, Kenny established healthy boundaries with Andre and kept focused on his goals.

In spring of 2018, Kenny was accepted to Eastern Illinois University (EIU). As his dream of going to college came closer to a reality, Kenny paid special attention to the financial and time management lessons during the life skills sessions offered by ChildServ. He found a job at McDonald’s and saved his paychecks to buy things he would need in college.

In May of 2018, Kenny graduated from Lisle High School, and in August, he moved into a dorm at EIU. He keeps in regular contact with ChildServ staff, who remain a source of encouragement and support, and is doing well in classes, studying to get a degree in business.

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