Thanks
for an
Amazing
Year!



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ELEVATING KIDS THROUGH EDUCATION



Dear Friends:

Wow. You did it again. You helped make real change in your community by investing in UpSpring. With your support we were able to grow to a staff of five qualified individuals who served over 3,500 children experiencing homelessness.

There are an estimated 8,000 children experiencing homelessness in Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky, and UpSpring strives to serve every single one of them. In a country where the average age of a person experiencing homelessness is 9 years old, organizations like ours are vital to our community's vitality. Without you, we would not be making the kind of change we are, and we thank you.

This past fiscal year saw UpSpring serve over 165 unique children at our two Summer 360° camps. We also launched our first-ever after school shelter-based program at Lighthouse Youth Crisis Center, and expanded programming to teens at our Newport after school site.

As we look to the future, UpSpring finds itself looking at expanding programming at our Cincinnati Summer 360° location to 13 and 14 year olds. There is a serious gap in services for this age group, and we will have these teenagers serve as "junior counselors" at our camp. They will also shadow at job sites so that they can begin to fine tune what they may want to do after they graduate from high school and college.

With the addition of the program at Lighthouse, and adding 13 and 14 year olds at Summer 360°, our organization now serves the continuum of children experiencing homelessness. We have effectively increased our impact, and we truly empower all children to break the cycle of homelessness & poverty.

As a result of this tremendous growth, we also underwent a three-year strategic planning process with Partners in Change this past fiscal year. We have lots of big plans in store from finding a permanent office space we can call our own, increasing our fundraising capacity, and continuing to expand programming for children experiencing homelessness in our region.

We look forward to continuing to grow & innovate with you. We appreciate you being on our Journey with us, and we look forward to making change with you again this year.

Mike Moroski **Executive Director**

Milen Courtney Barlow-Schulte

Courtney Barlow-Schulte **Board Chair**

All In A Year's Work!

Thanks to contributors like you, UpSpring made considerable headway in 2017. Here's a snapshot of what you've helped us accomplish with our programs:



Greater Reach
UpSpring expanded
programming to serve teens
experiencing homelessness with
a program at Lighthouse Youth
Crisis Center and will increase
offerings for 13 & 14 year olds
at Summer 360° Cincinnati



Increased Staffing UpSpring has grown to six full time staff members so as to serve children more effectively and efficiently; hiring an additional development staffer





On The Horizon

- Find and move into a permanent office space that we can call our own
- Expand the Resource Collaborative to reach even more children
- Expand programming to 13 and 14 year olds in an effort to help our kids begin looking to the future after high school and college
- Implement our three-year strategic plan

Help Us Make It Happen

Your contributions make all the difference. Whether donating time, supplies and/or financial assistance, you continue to help us provide vital educational assistance and programming.

Donate now at www.UpSpring.org

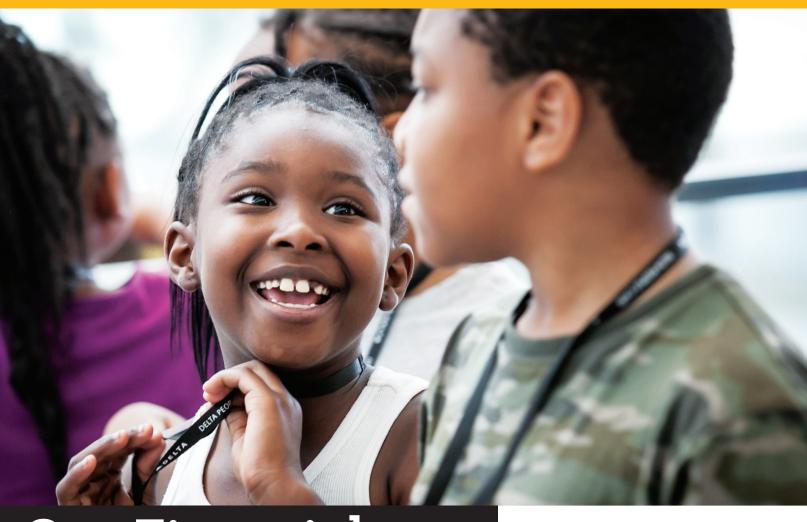
Mission

To empower children experiencing homelessness by providing opportunities for education and enrichment.

UpSpring at a Glance

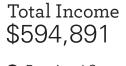
Vision

To positively transform our communities by breaking the cycle of homelessness and poverty.

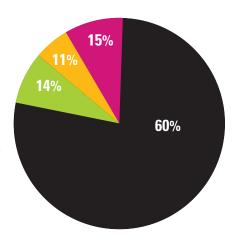


Our Financials

End of Year Net Assets \$166,241

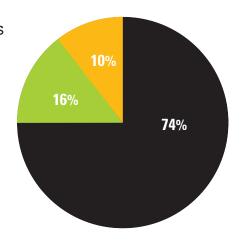


- Restricted Grants
- Contributions
- Events
- In-Kind Donations



Total Expenses \$629,760

- Program
- Mgmt & General
- Fundraising



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