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Dear Friend,

In times of **need**, in times of **challenge**, and in times of **crisis**, Family Services is here with a helping hand. Whether it's providing support for a baby born into a high-risk family, safe shelter for a homeless youth, or immediate intervention for a teen contemplating suicide, Family Services and our caring staff are improving the lives of thousands in our community every year. Did you know...

- ◆ Last year an estimated 1,500 newborns in our community went home to high-risk environments. *Our Healthy Families program provides parenting skills and support to many of these families ensuring that these children are safe and developing appropriately.*
- ◆ Every night over 150 local youth are living on the street, in a shelter or in someone's basement. *Our Homeless Youth Program provides safe housing to many of these kids while helping them complete school, get a job, and become self-sufficient.*
- ◆ Teen suicide is the second leading cause of death in Wisconsin among children ages 13-17. *Our Crisis Center helps to prevent teen suicide through immediate intervention and counseling.*

These programs and many others provided by Family Services are vital to our community. Last year alone we helped **protect**, **heal**, and **care** for more than 15,000 children and their families. In addition to the immediate impact we have on those we help, there is also immeasurable lifelong impact. Without our help now, many of these children would continue to struggle throughout their life.

These life changing services would not be possible without the generosity and support of people like you. Help us continue to serve some of our community's most vulnerable children. Partner with us and make your contribution today.

Together we can continue to make a difference in the lives of many. With your financial support, the children and families we serve will have **hope** for a bright future, **strength** to overcome challenges, and the opportunity to find **happiness** in life. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Thomas E. Martin
President & CEO

Annual Partnership Appeal

Yes, I would like to ensure a child's future!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Partner (\$5,000) | <input type="checkbox"/> Advocate (\$250) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian (\$2,500) | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend (\$100) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Champion (\$1,000) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mentor (\$500) | |

Payment Method

- Check payable to Family Services is enclosed.
- Credit card (*circle one*): MasterCard / Visa
Account #: _____
Exp. Date: ____ / ____
- I wish to make a pledge. Please send me an invoice.
- I will make my gift as a designation through United Way.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Email: _____

- I/we wish for my/our gift to remain anonymous.
- My company will match this gift, I have enclosed any forms.
- Contact me/us about Planned Giving options.

Donate online at www.familyservicesnew.org



Thank you! All contributions are tax deductible.

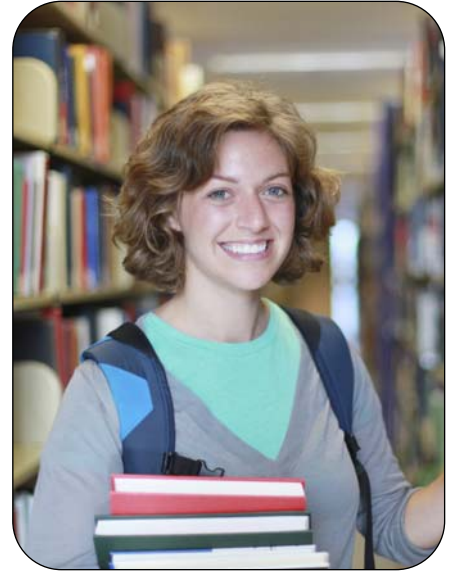
Lives are changed at Family Services...

At the age of 16, "Ashley" found herself back in the foster care system with no place to live. She had been adopted at age 6, but her adoptive parents decided to no longer be a part of her life. In coming to terms with her situation, Ashley missed a lot of school and ultimately dropped out. She tried to find work, but a poor economy and no diploma made that impossible.

Without a home, and not much hope, she was referred to our Homeless Youth program. Staff helped Ashley find a safe place to live and become more independent. They taught her important life skills like budgeting, preparing meals, and doing laundry, things most kids learn from their parents. She also participated in our work skills training and began to study again.

Encouraged by the progress she was making, many of her childhood dreams began to resurface inspiring her to obtain her GED. This spring, Ashley applied and was accepted into college at UW-Green Bay. She is now a UWGB student, attending classes full-time and working part-time. In addition, her future goals include securing her own apartment, earning a driver's license, and purchasing a vehicle.

"Without Family Services, I would not be where I am today," Ashley says. "Because of them, earning my GED and applying for college did not seem like such huge obstacles. Now, instead of focusing on the past, I am able to look toward the future."



Protect, Heal, Care

Last year we helped more than **15,000** children and their families through a variety of different programs, some examples include:

- ◆ We helped **576 children** overcome the effects of sexual assault and provided prevention education to another **13,556**.
- ◆ We responded to **754** calls from **children and youth** contemplating suicide and helped another **4,209** through our 24-hour crisis counseling.
- ◆ We provided over **36,100 hours of service** to **444 high risk families**, helping them care for their newborns while ensuring they had the skills and resources to meet their child's needs.
- ◆ **465 high risk kids** participated in an after school and summer program that kept them off the street, in school, and away from crime.
- ◆ We helped **85 homeless youth** find a safe home, complete high school, get a job, and learn life skills such as cooking, laundry and budgeting.
- ◆ We safely returned **334 runaways** to their families and helped them resolve problems in their lives.

Give Help, Give Hope!

A gift today can ensure a better future for our children tomorrow. Here are some examples of how your gift can change a life:

\$2,500 will...

Provide **1 year** of home visits and resources for **1 high-risk family**, ensuring their children are safe from neglect and developing appropriately.

\$1,000 will...

Provide **1 year** of counseling and support to help **1 child** heal from the effects of sexual assault or abuse.

\$500 will...

Provide **2 months** of safe housing for **1 youth** previously living on the street, while also helping them get a job and learn valuable life skills.

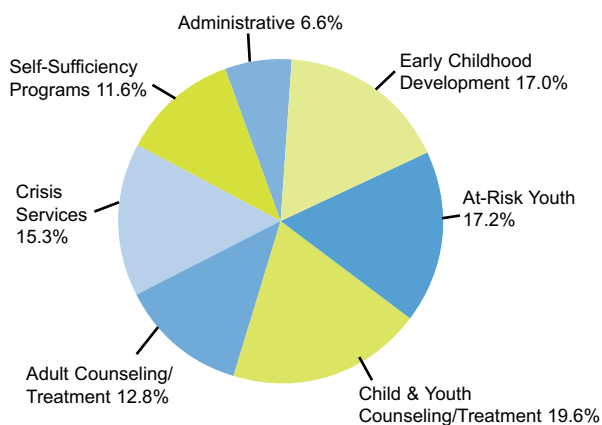
\$250 will...

Provide **7 sexual assault prevention presentations**, teaching children how to protect themselves and get help when it's needed.

\$100 will...

Help save **1 youth** from suicide through the immediate intervention of our crisis center.

Uses of Funds



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