

30th Anniversary Annual Report



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

"Throughout all of the changes at Our House, one thing remains constant: we cannot serve children and families without the support of the community. We are committed to building a Greater Atlanta by transforming the lives of one of its most vulnerable populations—families experiencing homelessness."

A lot has changed since Our House opened its doors 30 years ago. We've grown from a single schoolhouse in Decatur to now operating Quality-Rated, NAEYC accredited early childhood education programs in both Decatur and Atlanta. We've added emergency shelter to our program offerings and now have the capacity to house up to 18 families at our Atlanta campus. We've assisted a countless number of families with childcare, employment training and family services that lead to self-sufficiency.

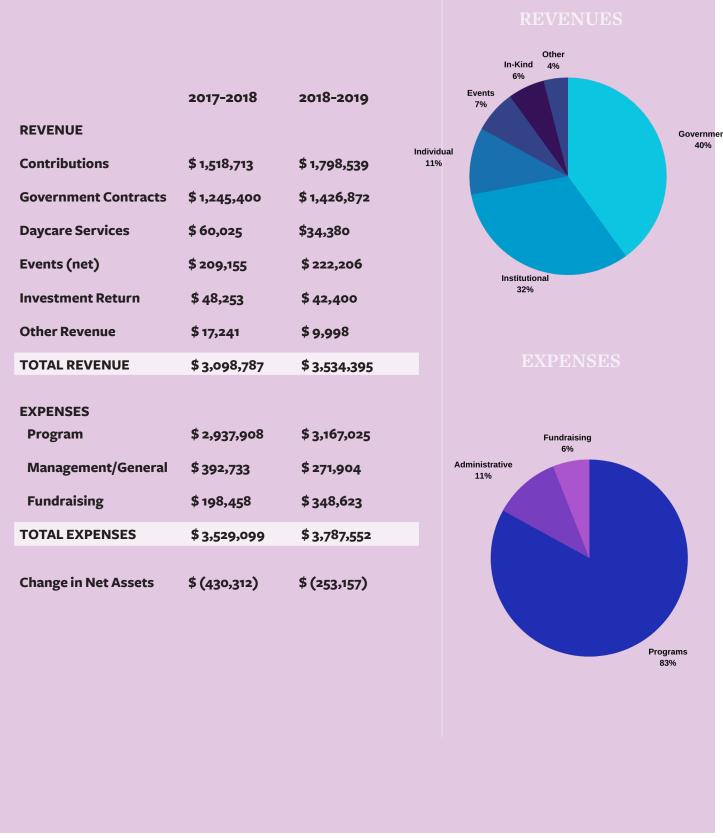
It has been an honor to be a part of the growth of Our House since 2004. I've worked with a number of dedicated staff to help families experiencing homelessness realize their full potential. I've witnessed a number of families utilize the tools and resources provided by Our House to strengthen their families and create positive change for future generations to come.

We celebrated our 30th anniversary year during two fiscal years and challenged ourselves to enhance program outcomes, push fundraising revenue goals and build a Greater Atlanta area with the support of individuals, foundations, faith-based organizations, civic and educational groups, local and state government agencies, and volunteers united with in one mission: to end the cycle of homelessness for families. We hope the following pages offer inspiration and insight into our success. We thank you for being a part of our story.

Tyese L. Lawyer

President and CEO, 2004 to present

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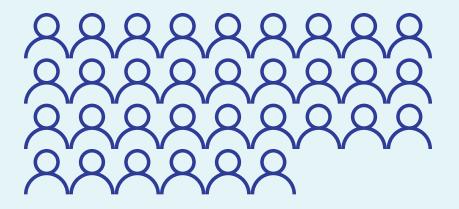
*Change in net assets deficit due to multi-year funding sources credited in previous years.

IMPACT BY NUMBERS

Since 1988, Our House has served thousands of individuals impacted by homelessness. The overall goal of our programs is to provide families the tools, resources and support needed to overcome homelessness and achieve lasting self-sufficiency.

495

individuals served

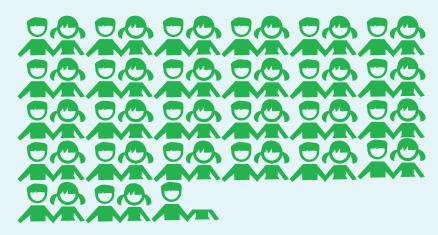


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Our House serves families from communities across the Greater Atlanta, including DeKalb County (51%) and Fulton County (39%) at point of entry.

213

children served



275 volunteers



= 25

77%

students graduated the CDA program

80%

families exited shelter to permanent housing

95%

students tested ready for kindergarten

MEET SHAKAYLA EARL

As a youth, Shakayla didn't have as many opportunities as she would have liked. At a young age, she entered the foster system, which often led to her moving from one place to another. "As a foster child, I didn't have a family to attach to or learn from; sometimes it was tough. And sometimes I felt alone," shares Shakayla. But, she didn't let that stop her from dreaming and coming up with goals. "I always wanted to work with children. I knew somehow, I would." And now she does.

Shakayla is a graduate of Our House's Child Development Associate (CDA) program. This 5-month program prepares students with the skills needed to begin a career in early childhood education. The promise and dedication shown by the instructor during the training program led to the offer of full-time employment in Our House's infant room. "I love working with children. I like being someone they can count on."

In addition to giving Shakayla stable employment, Our House also helps in other ways. As the mother of a one-year-old, sometimes the needs are significant. "My Family Advocate at Our House really helps me when I need it. She helps me get vouchers for things like clothing and furniture," says Shakayla, who is hoping to move into her apartment soon. It's an amazing journey from foster care, to being homeless, to finding support to succeed. It's a journey Shakayla says many at Our House take.

"I watch the people that come here, and I would recommend it to anyone. They care about you, and it's like family. Anything you need—from free childcare to a place to wash your clothes, they are there for you."

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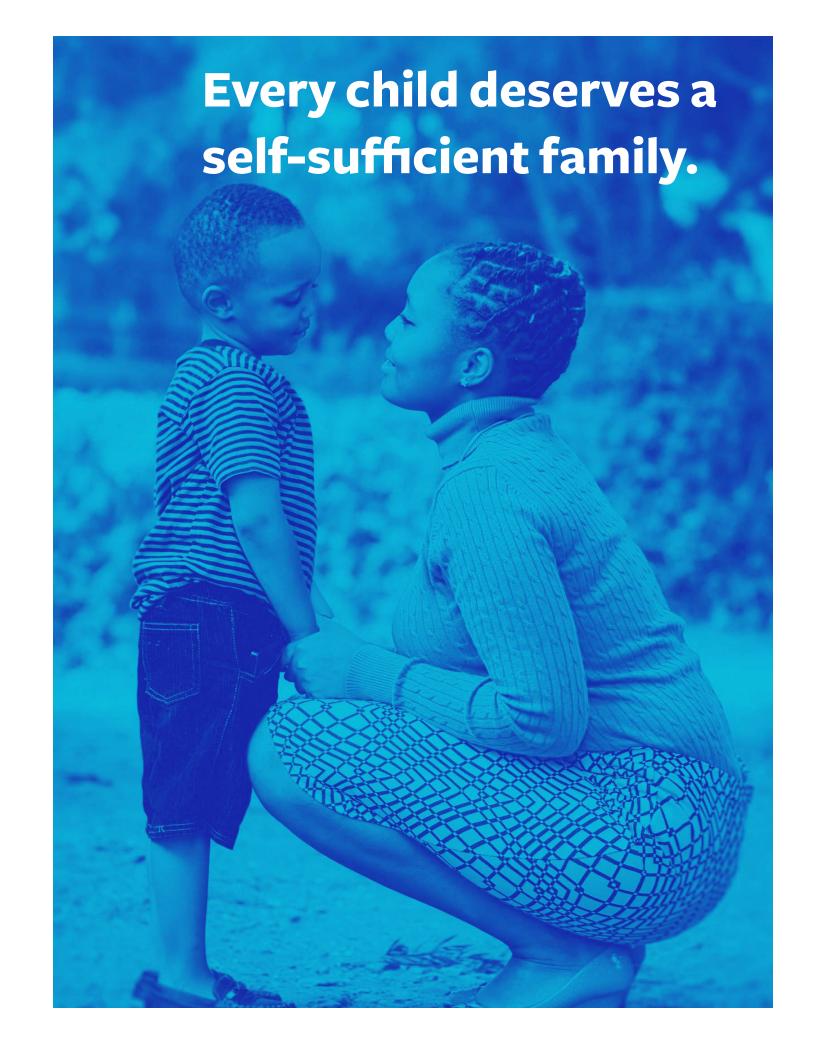
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PROGRAMS

- Housing Services: Our House provides six months of emergency shelter for a daily maximum of 18 families (76 individuals). Families residing with Our House receive daily nutritious meals, access to laundry and computer lab amenities and case management.
- Early Childhood Education: Our early childhood education program serves children six weeks to 5 years old in Atlanta and Decatur.
- Employment Training Services: Adults experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness can pursue the Child Development Associate Credential through Our House and begin a career in early childhood education.
- Family Services: Clients receive case management support, including assistance with transporations, physical and mental healthcare, and regular access to home and personal care supplies.

Our House provides four interrelated programs to address the root causes of homelessness for children and families. Services are free for participants and year-round.

ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN

We celebrated the 30-year anniversary of Our House by rolling out an anniversary campaign with the goal of raising \$300,000 by June 30, 2019.

The \$300,000 for the 30th initiative began in fiscal year 2018 and ended in fiscal 2019. The campaign exceeded its goal by \$220,000!

THIRTY YEARS STRONGER

Our House unveiled new efforts over fiscal year 2018 and fiscal year 2019 as part of our 30th year celebration activities:

Shelter Renovations

Our House completed renovations to the second floor of our Atlanta campus by adding private bathrooms to 14 of our 18 rooms.

New Giving Societies

An Annual Fund and 711 Society were introduced as new individual giving efforts with benefits for supporters of Our House.

Wheels4Walls Sleep In

Our House introduced a new community event encouraging participants to spend one night in their car to raise awareness and funds for children and families experiencing homelessness in the Greater Atlanta area.



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Our work is not possible without supporters dedicated to ending the cycle of homelessness for children and families. Thank you for your commitment to a self-sufficient family for every child.

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