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HIBISCUS CHILDREN'S CENTER
Empower the Future:
Year-End Appeal



Dear Friends,

As 2023 draws to a close, we reflect on the strides we have made to protect children at risk of abuse or neglect. Every child deserves to grow up in a safe and nurturing environment, free from fear and violence. This vision is at the heart of our mission at Hibiscus Children's Center.

Your enduring support has been a beacon of hope for countless children. Hibiscus offers children a safe haven, counseling, education and vocational services, in an environment where abuse and neglect are replaced with love, understanding and support.

As the holidays approach, we invite you to join us in our shared commitment to creating a brighter future for every child. Your year-end donation will directly impact our efforts to shelter children, strengthen families and nurture futures.

To donate, please visit our secure online donation page at hibiscuschildrenscenter.org, use the enclosed envelope or contact Chief Development Officer Michelle King at 561.452.5791.

Thank you for standing with us as we advance our mission. May your holiday season be filled with the joy of knowing you have made a lasting difference in the life of a child.

With gratitude,


Matt Markley, CEO





Success Starts with YOU

There are many tragic stories of children who have suffered abuse and been removed from their homes. But at Hibiscus, there are also many stories of children finding a second chance at having a safe, stable, and loving home.

A sibling set of four, twins aged 12, 14 and 15 years, were placed at the Village due to abandonment and parents' substance abuse issues. When the teens arrived, they had no clothes or shoes, were malnourished and had been living in a dangerous environment. Unfortunately, there were no relatives or foster parents able to accommodate the siblings.

Immediately, the Village staff and volunteers addressed the items the teens desperately needed. Mental Health Counselors began working with the teens to help them transition and work through the trauma they had experienced. For possibly the first time, the teens enjoyed home cooked meals prepared by the house parents and were able to sleep knowing they were safe.

Today, the teens are enrolled in school and participating in our Career Pathways to Independence Program. Thank you for helping Hibiscus change the lives of children!



WHAT YOUR DONATION PROVIDES

DAY-TO-DAY RETURN ON YOUR INVESTMENT

\$100 - Special birthday celebration for a child residing at the Shelter or Village including gifts and party festivities.

\$250 - A youth who has experienced the trauma of human trafficking receives 3 hours of professionally trained counseling services.

\$500 - A sexually abused child receives 5 hours of Sexual Abuse Counseling services.

\$1,500 - A child removed from their home because of abuse or abandonment receives safe haven, nutrition and love for a week.

\$2,500 - Career Pathways Program provides 2 teens with employment preparation training along with educational enhancement services.

LIFETIME RETURN ON YOUR INVESTMENT

Break the Cycle - Child abuse is a generational cycle that will continue as children become parents/grandparents. You are helping to break the cycle and prepare children to become loving parents.

Education - The key to a child's success. You are helping to build a strong foundation for reading and learning that will translate into a more successful future for children.

Saving Lives - Approximately 5 children die every day due to child abuse. 1 out of 3 girls and 1 out of 5 boys will be sexually abused before they reach age 18. You are helping to save children's lives and instill a sense of self-worth and value.

Did You Know?

LAST YEAR AT HIBISCUS OVER 1,800 CHILDREN & FAMILIES SERVED



RESIDENTIAL

Shelter - 63 children cared for last year

100% of children in Shelter Literacy Program improved their reading proficiency.

Village - 90 youth cared for last year

94% of teens living at the Village identified post-graduation opportunities.
29 youth participated in Graphic Design Impact Center learning Adobe software.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Community Mental Health - 550 children & families served last year

83% of children receiving outpatient mental health services from Hibiscus increased protective factors as evidenced by pre/post assessment scores.

Parents as Teachers - 120 children & families served last year

919 home visits.



PREVENTION PROGRAMS

Supporting Families in Crisis - 515 children & families served last year

100% of families served had no verified reports of abuse during services.

SafeCare - 496 children & families served last year

100% of children were maintained within the family home preventing entry into child welfare system.

WAYS TO GIVE

There are many options to support a child including:

- Monthly Donations
- Your Donor Advised Fund
- Gifts of Stocks or from your IRA
- For Future Generations through a Legacy Gift

Now is a great time to consider a gift through a Qualified Charitable Donation. As you know, if you must take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from a retirement account, you will need to draw down funds by December 31. By making a gift from this account directly to Hibiscus you save on the taxable income you would incur as well as offsetting other taxes.

Scan with your phone to donate to the Hibiscus children!



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