



ISAIAH'S PLACE

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Our Mission

Our purpose is to connect, nurture,
and restore children and families
in the communities we serve.



Our Vision

We believe all children and families,
regardless of circumstance, deserve
the opportunity to heal and thrive.

A Word from Our Director

2024 was a truly record-breaking year for Isaiah's Place, marking a pivotal moment in our journey since I took on the role of Executive Director in January 2017. Over the years, our agency has weathered significant shifts in the foster care and child advocacy landscape, but we've consistently met these challenges with passion and an unwavering commitment to our mission. This year, we didn't just articulate our core values—we lived them out daily, ensuring our words and actions aligned to overcome obstacles that once seemed insurmountable.

Our core values of integrity, innovation, inclusion, excellence, compassion, and grace remained at the heart of everything we did in 2024. Together, they guided us to new heights and made this year one of unprecedented growth, impact, and unity.

Our progress in 2024 would not have been possible without the support of our gracious donors and grantors. Their belief in our mission empowered us to provide meaningful support to the families we serve. Their generosity fuels our work, and for that, we are profoundly grateful.

While 2024 was an incredible year, we know the work is far from over. As we look ahead to 2025, we are inspired by the opportunities to deepen our impact and serve even more vulnerable children and families.



Bob Lybarger, MBA
Executive Director

Who We Are

Isaiah's Place is a faith-based, non-profit located in Troy, OH, serving children and families in Miami County and across Southwest Ohio. We believe all children and families, regardless of circumstance, deserve the opportunity to heal and thrive. While our roots are in foster care, training and licensing families to care for children from hard places, we have seen a need in our community to expand our services to **connect, nurture** and **restore** children and families in multiple ways. Our Child Advocacy Center provides a coordinated response to allegations of child abuse in Miami County. Led by a Multi-Disciplinary Team, the CAC offers a neutral and safe environment for the child and family to receive services to help begin the healing process.

Led by the vision of our board, our team is committed to ensuring positive outcomes for all the children and families we serve. These outcomes look like finding permanency for our children in foster care, providing them with caring family for the time they're with us, and reducing further victimization and securing timely services for the children aided by the CAC. None of this would be possible without help from our supporters and collaboration with community partners and churches.

Our Programs

Foster Care & Adoption

We train and license foster and adoptive parents to serve children across Southwest Ohio. Our case managers provide ongoing support and interventions for children in care and foster parents

Child Advocacy Center

A coordinated, multidisciplinary team response to the investigation, prosecution, and treatment of child abuse victims, and provides a safe and child friendly environment where children can come to be interviewed one time by a specially trained forensic interviewer.

*The privacy of the children and families we serve is important to us.

As such, you won't see any of their photos in this report, but you will hear their experience through their words.



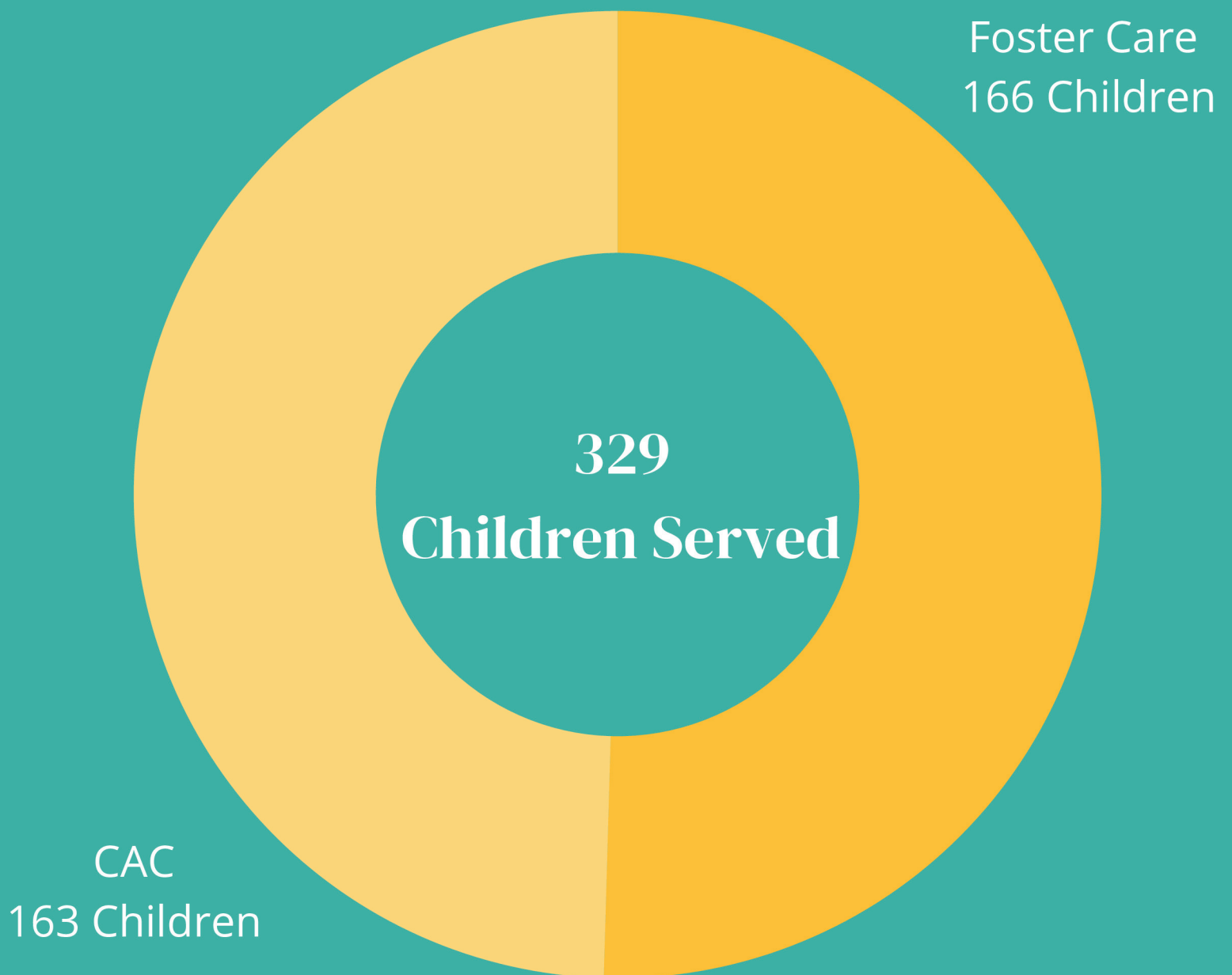
“

I can't believe I'm
so comfortable
with you.

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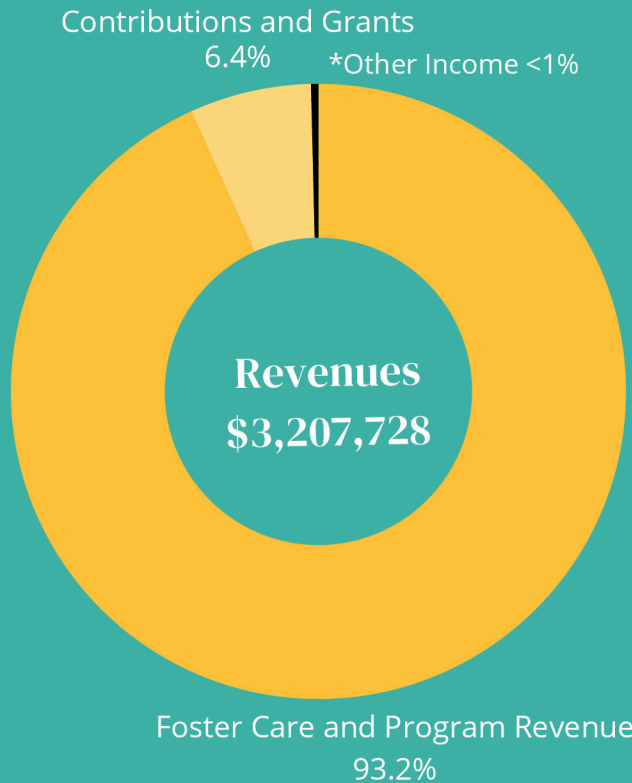
**A Child Being Interviewed in
the CAC**

2024 Impact

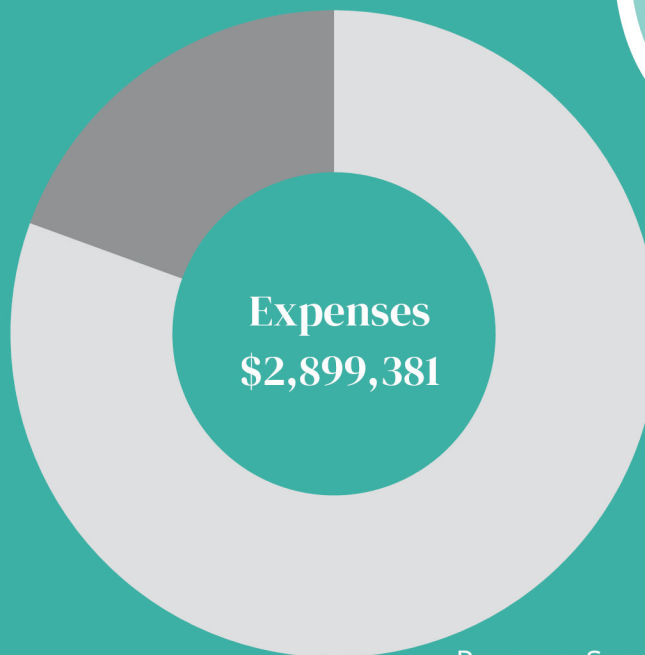


Finances

*Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024



Supporting Services: Management and General
19.4%



Ending Net Assets
\$948,455



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I have never felt so blessed and supported on this foster care journey. This is what is needed for foster families to keep going when things get hard! Your thoughtfulness, encouragement, friendliness, generosity, and overall care and concern for children and caregivers is seen, heard and felt.

”

An Isaiah's Place Foster Parent

Foster Care & Adoption

In our foster care program, we recruit, train, and license parents to care for children in the foster care system. Working with counties across Southwest Ohio, we place children in foster care in our licensed homes and provide ongoing case management services. At Isaiah's Place, we put an emphasis on supporting our families, because we believe the most therapeutic intervention children can receive is a stable home and relationship with their caregiver. This support takes many forms but can look like our trauma-focused training which equips parents to care for children from hard places or the monthly events we host for our families so parents can connect with other foster parents and kids can have fun experiences!

Our hope is that as children come through our agency, they will find permanency, whether it be through reunification with their biological parents or through adoption into a new forever home. In late 2023, we received our adoption certification as an agency, and we look forward to helping families on their journey toward adoption. In 2024, we have developed specific training for families pursuing adoption.

Program Highlights

166

Children Served

252

Training Hours
Provided

36

New Foster
Families

16

Families Approved
for Adoption

13

Adoptions



“

She has life again. Wants to live. Comes out of her room. She smiles and laughs again. I don't stay up all night worried up about her trying to hurt herself anymore.

”

A Parent of a CAC Therapy Client

Child Advocacy Center

The CAC ensures children in Miami County receive prompt and specialized services when there are allegations of abuse. The CAC offers a neutral and safe environment where children come to be interviewed one time by a specially trained forensic interviewer and receive services to help begin the healing process.

In 2024 we completed our second year in Miami County, serving children and their families affected by child abuse. We were able to serve our community as well by providing presentations, outreach and training on child abuse related topics. We made great strides in 2024 to fulfill our mission of, "A collaborative, trauma informed approach to assessing, investigating and prosecuting cases of child abuse in Miami County. The Child Advocacy Center will support children and families to optimize safety, promote healing, and pursue justice for child victims."

Falling under the non-profit umbrella of Isaiah's Place, the Child Advocacy Center is a collaboration between:

- Miami County CPS
- Miami County Prosecutor's Office
- Victim Witness
- Miami County Sheriff's Department
- Troy Police Department
- Piqua Police Department
- Tipp City Police Department
- Covington Police Department
- West Milton Police Department
- Dayton Children's Hospital Division of Child Advocacy
- Child serving mental health providers in Miami County

Program Highlights

163

Children Served

1

New Social
Worker Hired

14+

Community
Presentations on
Child Abuse



“

We love everyone we have worked with, Isaiah's Place truly has an amazing staff.

”

An Isaiah's Place Foster Parent

Outreach

As a faith-based agency, we aim to engage the Church and the community in our efforts to serve vulnerable children and families in our area. Not everyone is called to foster or adopt, but we believe everyone can do something support victims of child abuse and children in the foster care system. As such, we frequently attend events in the community to raise awareness about Isaiah's Place and about foster care, adoption, and child abuse.

We work with churches to help the start their own ministries to support foster and adoptive families. Depending on the church, these ministries range from starting care communities, teams of volunteers that wrap around a foster or adoptive family to provide tangible support, to putting together meals that we serve to foster or adoptive families when they're having a difficult week. We know it takes a village to raise a child, and we want to make sure the Church and the community knows the need and has the opportunity to help.

Program Highlights

30

Community Events
Attended

15

Churches
Engaged

4

Care Communities
Started

285

Meals
Delivered

Board of Directors

Michael Cargill, Board President

Kay Kaebnick, Vice President

Darla York, Secretary

Derek Koester, Treasurer

John Jung

Steve Ackley

Kristy Holm

Bob Lybarger



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