In gratitude.
APRIL 2015

Safe. Happy. Healed. Thanks to YOU.
Dear friends and supporters,

Whenever I need my spirits lifted, I walk downstairs to a Childhaven classroom. Whenever I need to be reminded of why there are smiles on the children’s faces, I think of you.

Often beginning their little lives in tragic circumstances, the children of Childhaven leave our care safe, happy and healed – all thanks to you. Over the past year, you and thousands of other generous people have trusted us to achieve the goals that you care deeply about: mending young lives, supporting parents, and forever breaking the cycle of abuse and neglect.

You have walked by our sides just as surely as if you were in the classrooms with the hundreds of children we care for each year. Childhaven kids and the generations that follow them will thrive because you cared. Thank you.

Maria Chavez Wilcox
Childhaven President
America was a quiet but lively little baby with a loving spirit that shined through, even at just 2 months old.

Her mother, Aubrey, had already lost custody of two other children. Her drug use and mental health issues – fueled by many years of horrific abuse as a child herself – threatened America’s future, too.

**But thanks to you, Childhaven was there for them.**

While Aubrey committed to rehab and counseling, Childhaven gave her something she’d never had before: role-modeling, coaching and support to be a good mother.

America has grown into an empathetic and gentle leader – the girl every other child wants to play with. At 4 years old, she is extraordinarily bright and poised to excel in kindergarten.

Today, America lives with her mother and her father, Vincent, who both continue to be active in their daughter’s development at Childhaven. Aubrey, now two years sober and planning to go to college to be a social worker, was overflowing with gratitude when she spoke at Childhaven’s fundraising luncheon this year.

“You have made all of this possible,” she said.

**A little girl’s second chance, with help from YOU.**
Your gifts, our care, their future

When you support Childhaven, you do more than provide a safe place to heal, learn and grow for children who have been abused, neglected or affected by their mother’s prenatal substance abuse. You give children a real opportunity to grow up to be good parents themselves. Your investment lasts lifetimes.

For year ending June 30, 2014

REVENUE & SUPPORT
Contributions $3,522,484
Special Events 757,825
United Way & Workplace Giving 1,030,064
Service fees from government agencies 3,246,177
Government grants 270,356
Other Income 556,899
Total Revenue & Support $9,383,805

EXPENSES
Program Services $6,416,822
Management and General 809,331
Fundraising 841,127
Total Expenses $8,067,280
Change in Net Assets $1,316,525

A complete audited financial statement is available upon request.
Strengthen Families

To keep children safe we have to strengthen families. Thanks to your support, and a recent grant from the Boeing Foundation, we now provide video recording for parent coaching at all three branches. This technology allows family therapists to offer visual aids alongside their coaching efforts.

Improve Safety

Five-year-olds cut and glue together “cell phones” as a teacher leads a discussion about safety and calling 911. “Childhaven is safe!” chimes in one little girl. Your gifts this year allowed us to enrich our classroom curriculum to improve children’s personal safety, self-esteem and behaviors.

Stabilize the Future

Together we’re getting closer and closer to our Second Century Campaign goal of raising $20 million to better stabilize Childhaven’s future. Now in year four of five, your gifts have put us 82 percent of the way toward our goal. An incredible matching gift challenge from Steve and Connie Ballmer will increase the impact of a gift made today. Join us in finishing strong!

Improved strength, safety and stability thanks to YOU.
“My mom could have given up hope when she was struggling so bad and couldn’t take care of her kids, but Childhaven would not let her. And so our family stayed together. It’s people like you – then and now – who made it all possible.”

Amy Scott, former Childhaven child

Your donations at work, by the numbers

**OBJECTIVE:** to equip children for success in school.

- **89%** of last year’s Childhaven graduates tested emotionally ready to enter kindergarten.

**OBJECTIVE:** to keep children safe and healthy.

- **97%** of Children who graduated from Childhaven this year had up-to-date immunizations and 99% had a primary care physician.

**OBJECTIVE:** to equip parents with the skills they need to be confident caregivers.

- **100%** increase in attendance at our voluntary parent support group program, which offers parents accountability and consistency.

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12,000 miles driven by our fleet of 38 vans which transport children safely to and from home

114,812 healthy meals served to ensure each child’s nutritional needs are being met

336 class field trips taken to places like the Seattle Aquarium and Remlinger Farms

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Lexie wouldn’t eat at all when she was a baby. Sad and hungry, she cried constantly. Then, she came to Childhaven…

Raymond overflowed with anger. He would scream, curse and try to hit or bite other kids. At Childhaven he made an artistic breakthrough…

Gina was born into a home scarred by domestic violence. Abandoned by her parents, she was fearful and distrustful. In a Childhaven classroom, everything changed…

Three happy endings because of YOU.

Read about the happy endings you created for Lexie, Raymond and Gina at Childhaven.org/gratitude.
To you: our gift of deepest gratitude

American author William Arthur Ward said, “Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it.” We agree.

For every abused, neglected and at-risk child who gets a new start on life at Childhaven, thank you. For every mother and father who finds renewed hope and a path toward positive parenting, thank you. For every family reunited, every tear turned to smiles, thank you.

And for supporting the only charitable organization in our community dedicated solely to healing children, supporting parents, and breaking the cycle of abuse and neglect – we are deeply grateful to you far beyond these words. Thank you.

Find a list of all the generous Childhaven supporters from the last year at Childhaven.org/gratitude