



The Impact Your Dollars Make

Children are able to move forward and have greater success in life.

Our therapists focus on addressing the underlying trauma clients have experienced, which is the genesis of the problems they seek help for in the first place. This results in better treatment outcomes and decreases the likelihood that they will repeat their problem behaviors and require treatment in the future. Your gift will support us in changing lives for the better.

Parents will have a better foundation of support.

Effective parenting is vital to a child and family's success. It is critical that we are able to meet one-on-one with parents to give them the skills to address problems and support their child's progress. Medicaid, our primary source of funding, does not pay for this aspect of treatment. Your gift will help us pay for parenting services, so moms and dads can be fully engaged in the in the therapeutic process.

We will be able to continue our in-school outreach program

One of the biggest barriers to recognizing and addressing mental health issues in kids is that they simply don't have access to professional treatment. We understand the importance of going where the kids are—rather than waiting for them to come to us. Our school program provides therapy to students in ten of the Lincoln Public Schools. We reach out to youth who are in need of counseling, but whose parents find it difficult to seek services outside the school setting. Each year, we lack the funding to cover the cost of making this resource available. Your gift will make it possible for us to bridge the gap between the need for school-based therapy and the cost of delivering this service.

The agency will have space for growth & expansion.

Currently, we are only using 40 percent of the first floor of our building because we lack the funding to renovate the remainder of the space. The limited operating space on this level creates barriers for effective programming and growth of our agency. Your gift will help us complete the construction of this floor, creating adequate space to expand and enhance our services.

Children are better equipped to focus in the classroom.

Improved behavior skills and emotional well-being can lead to better school performance and less disruptions for teachers. Your gift will help make it easier for an entire classroom of students to learn and grow.

Adolescents will receive treatment for substance abuse.

Our Choices program provides outpatient substance abuse counseling in six Lincoln Public High Schools free of cost. In some cases, this is the only treatment they will receive. Your gift will help us continue to give adolescents the tools make healthy decisions.

Children won't have to wait to receive help.

Having the funds to increase the number of therapists we have on staff would diminish the client waiting lists we often have. Your gift will allow us to serve more children who request help— when they need it.

We will fulfill our obligations to all those who depend on us

Your gift is not only important to us—but also to the hundreds of parents, teachers, caseworkers, judges, and other professionals who rely on Child Guidance Center to help Lincoln kids overcome the serious mental health challenges they face.