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2024 IMPACT REPORT





THRIVING IS...

At The Chicago Lighthouse, we help people thrive, and we help them do it on their own terms. For some, thriving may be learning to use assistive technology, along with the remaining vision they have, to continue to pursue the activities that bring them joy. For others, it may be developing the skills that will lead to full-time employment that provides financial independence, purpose and connection to others. Thriving can be as simple as having a community that understands your limits and capabilities, knows what you may be going through, and accepts you for who you are. Thriving is feeling accomplishment at the end of every day and knowing that you will meet the next day, whatever its challenges, with courage and confidence.

At The Chicago Lighthouse, we are all thriving.

118 Years (and counting) of... BUILDING A THRIVING COMMUNITY

DEAR FRIENDS,

Together, we did some extraordinary things in 2024. Our clients thrived in exciting new ways thanks to the generosity of everyone who contributes to The Lighthouse's important mission.

It was the year that we officially opened The Foglia Residences, adding affordable housing to the services we offer our clients. As the first building in the United States to be constructed using Low-Income Housing Tax Credits financing that specifically meets the needs of people who are blind or visually impaired, The Foglia Residences launched a new era of accessibility for our organization, our city and our country.

At the same time, 2024 was an ordinary year for The Chicago Lighthouse, because—as we have since 1906—we continued the day-to-day work that guides our mission: helping people who are blind, visually impaired, disabled and Veterans develop the skills and confidence that empowers them to thrive in their communities.

Thriving is a personal achievement, and it looks different for everyone. It can mean finding an educational program tailored to you and the skills you will need in the world. For others, it can simply be the relief of having a community that understands the challenges that come with having a disability or being a Veteran.

In the following impact report, we will bring you the stories of people who are thriving in all of these ways and more. Most importantly, they are thriving on their own terms, in their own ways. Friends like you played an essential role in their achievement by supporting the work of The Chicago Lighthouse. **Thank you for helping us thrive.**

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In her new unit at The Foglia Residences at The Chicago Lighthouse, Juliana is back to cooking meals for herself and her husband, thanks to features such as high-contrast counters, adjustable lighting and front-facing knobs on her stove. "I'm independent, and that's priceless," she says. "I wouldn't want it any other way."



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THRIVING AT WORK

Through a business created through the Randolph-Sheppard vendor program, Bob T. is responsible for keeping 20 vending machines in the Chicago area, including several at The Chicago Lighthouse, stocked and ready for business. "Being my own boss gives me a sense of self-worth and satisfaction," Bob says.



THRIVING THROUGH GIVING

Dr. Andrew Barrer recently established a fund to increase our services for schoolchildren around the Chicagoland area. He also purchased a new piece of artwork that will be displayed in our Children's Development Center therapeutic day school.

THRIVING IS...

Having a Community

When Charlotte's declining vision led to an early retirement from the Social Security Administration in 2018, she wasn't content to just stay at home. As a woman in her early 60s, she still had a lot of life left in her.

"If you retire and do nothing, you're sleeping your life away," Charlotte says. "I'm someone who likes to keep busy."

Since that time, Charlotte has been an active participant in The Chicago Lighthouse's Seniors' Program, which provides older adults experiencing vision loss with classes and activities that enhance independence and foster community. In any given week, Charlotte and her friends may learn about the adaptive features on their iPhones or

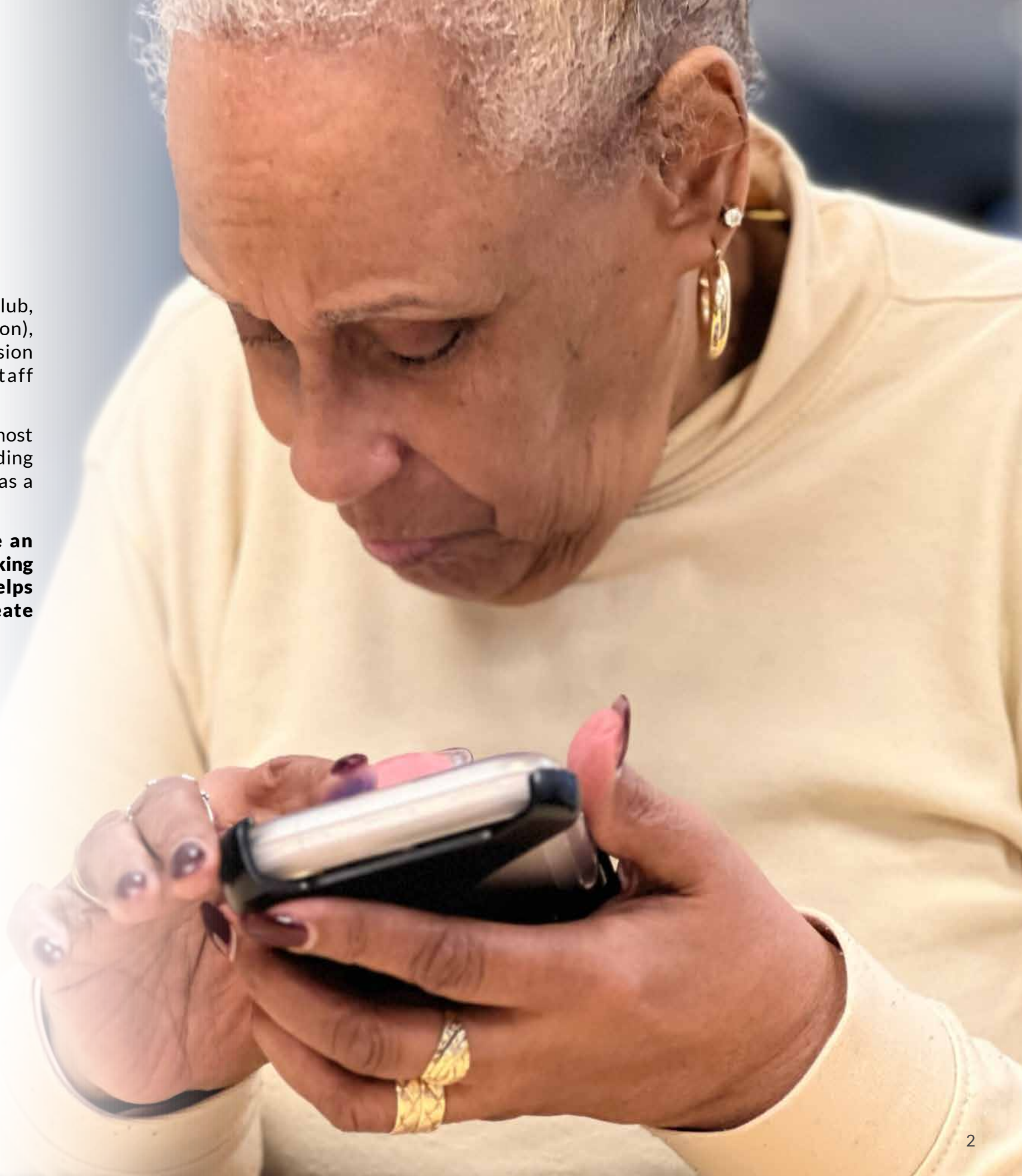
iPads, participate in a talking book club, watch a movie (with audio description), play trivia, or participate in a discussion led by one of The Lighthouse's staff psychologists.

Charlotte likes keeping busy, but the most important part of the program is finding a community that understands her as a person facing vision loss.

"Just having someone else share an easier way of doing something or talking about our different experiences helps us get to know each other and create friendships," Charlotte says.



Charlotte finds joy and purpose through The Lighthouse's Seniors' Program. She has learned how to use the adaptive features of her smartphone to help her be more independent and gets to celebrate the spirit of the holidays with friends.





THRIVING IS...

Developing Confidence in Yourself

For Austin and his family, thriving has meant finding a place where he is truly seen, supported, and celebrated. For the past 13 years, that place has been The Lighthouse’s Children’s Development Center (CDC) therapeutic day school.

Austin joined the CDC when he was nine years old after struggling in public school, where he lacked the specialized services he needed for his various visual, developmental and physical disabilities.

At the CDC, Austin’s education was tailored to his unique needs, with one-on-one attention from teachers and paraprofessionals in the classroom and additional support from social workers, orientation and mobility specialists, speech therapists and specialized vision instructors.

Now, as he prepares to graduate, Austin is thriving in ways his parents once only dreamed of.

“Sometimes I can’t believe that’s Austin,” says his father, Mark. “He understands his surroundings and socializes so much more.” Austin has made friends in the CDC and now recognizes when someone speaks to him, extending his hand to shake. He navigates the world more independently, using his white cane to get around church, Target and his community.

“Austin loves music, and his teachers use that as a reward to motivate him to learn and try new things,” adds his mom, Theresa.

Austin found far more than a school at The Chicago Lighthouse, he found a place to belong, grow, and thrive. This summer, Austin will graduate, ready to take his next steps into a larger world. Wherever his journey takes him, Austin and his family know The Lighthouse will be a resource of guidance and support.



HE LOVES SCHOOL AND IS OFTEN SO EXCITED THAT HE’S READY TO GO BEFORE THE ALARM EVEN GOES OFF IN THE MORNING! IT MEANS SO MUCH KNOWING THAT HE’S IN A PLACE WHERE HE’S LOVED, CARED FOR, AND ALWAYS ENCOURAGED TO GROW.

—AUSTIN’S MOM, THERESA

[VIEW SUMMER PROGRAMS VIDEO](#)

THRIVING IS...

Living Independently



THERE ARE PEOPLE LIKE ME WHO WANT TO BE INDEPENDENT AND WANT TO LIVE ON THEIR OWN AND THIS LETS ME DO THAT. I'M INDEPENDENT. THAT'S PRICELESS. I WOULDN'T WANT IT ANY OTHER WAY. I HAVEN'T COOKED IN MANY YEARS BECAUSE I WASN'T CONFIDENT IN OTHER KITCHENS, BUT NOW I'VE BEEN COOKING ALL OF MY MEALS.

—JULIANA, FOGLIA RESIDENT



74%

OF FOGLIA RESIDENTS HAVE A DISABILITY OR ARE VETERANS

FOGLIA RESIDENCES ON NBC5

Our partner Amazon believes:

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Working Together to Improve Assistive Technology

by: Sarah Glavin, Head of Community Affairs | Amazon, Chicago

At Amazon, we believe that technology should be a tool for empowerment, breaking down barriers and creating new opportunities for people with disabilities to lead independent, fulfilling lives. Accessibility is not an add-on; it's a necessity that enables individuals to engage fully in work, education and everyday life.

For many in the disability community, independence isn't just about mobility; it's about having access to the right tools that enable them to experience the world in the terms that suit them best. To do that, we need direct engagement and real-world feedback from those within the disability

community to create solutions that truly work for them in their daily lives.

That is why we are excited to partner with The Chicago Lighthouse to provide our devices to clients, staff and Foglia Residences tenants with disabilities. Through their real-life, real-world experiences, they will provide us with valuable information about how our products are working for them and, most importantly, how they can be improved.

This information is invaluable for every user of Amazon's technology. Every innovation, every refinement, and every new feature is an opportunity to remove obstacles and open doors—at home, in the workplace, and in the broader community. Greater accessibility benefits everyone, not just those with disabilities. By working together with The Chicago Lighthouse, we are creating a more inclusive, accessible, empathetic world.

At The Foglia Residences ribbon cutting, Amazon generously donated Blink doorbells and smart plugs and Echo Show devices to residents to bring the assistive technology features into their new homes. The company also presented The Lighthouse with a \$75,000 donation.

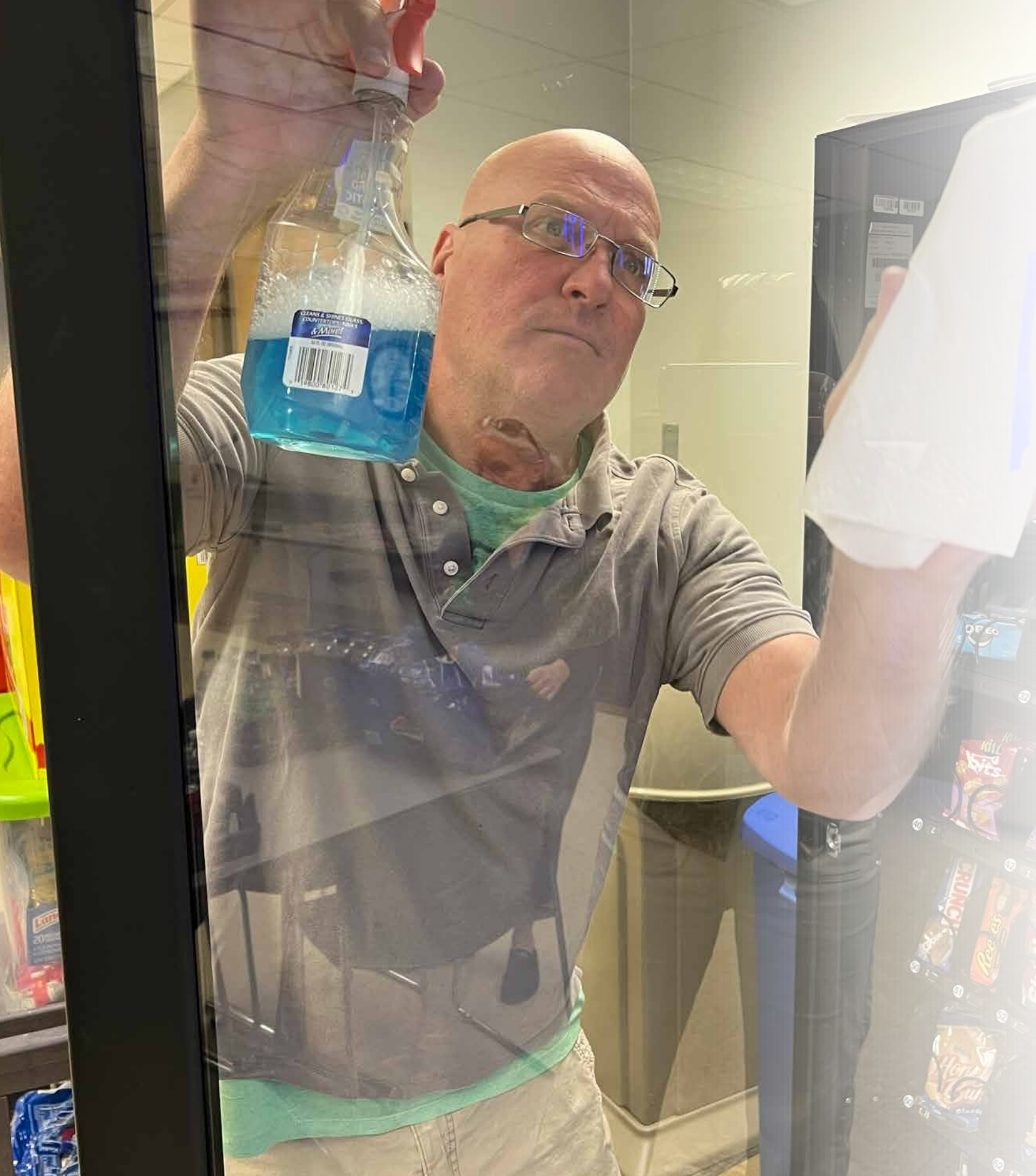


862 ASSISTIVE TECH SESSIONS
IN 2024 HELPED CLIENTS
FIND THE RIGHT DEVICES



“ THE ‘SHOW AND TELL’ FEATURE ON ECHO SHOW DEVICES CAN BE VERY HANDY FOR PEOPLE WITH VISION LOSS. BY ASKING ALEXA WHAT I’M HOLDING IN FRONT OF THE CAMERA, IT TELLS ME THE NAMES AND INGREDIENTS OF PACKAGED FOODS AND OTHER ITEMS.

—SANDY MURILLO,
ASSOCIATE PRODUCER,
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THRIVING IS...

Owning your own Business

The Chicago Lighthouse's commitment to helping people with disabilities thrive in their communities is not limited to the clients we serve, it extends to those doing business with us as well.

For the past seven years, Bob T. has supplied The Chicago Lighthouse's vending machines with snacks and drinks as part of the blind vendors program created by the Randolph-Sheppard Act. The law, originally passed in 1936, enables those who are blind to operate vending machines and other concession operations on federal property, as well as the opportunity to expand their businesses to other municipal and private properties.

The Chicago Lighthouse supports the program by providing a training curriculum through the Forsythe Entrepreneurial Center to individuals in 40 states who wish to become vendors. For Bob, the opportunity to manage his own business provides him with a sense of accomplishment and independence.

"Being my own boss gives me a sense of self-worth and satisfaction, knowing I am contributing to the community in so many ways," Bob says.

Through his business, T-Vend, Bob operates around 20 vending machines in the Chicago area, including The Lighthouse.



ANYONE WHO SAYS SOMEONE WITH A DISABILITY HAS LESS TO CONTRIBUTE HAS NEVER TAKEN A LOOK AT OUR PROGRAM.

—BOB T., VENDOR PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

Bob is not one to choose favorites among his business partners, but he does admit a special affinity for The Lighthouse because of all that it does for people who are blind, visually impaired, disabled and Veterans. Bob was a patient of Dr. Gerald Fishman's at the Pangere Center for Inherited Retinal Diseases "until the day Dr. Fishman retired."

"The Chicago Lighthouse is a facility that is close to my heart. It has a special spot because I know all that it does and everyone it serves," Bob says. "In some small way, I'm helping too."

FORSYTHE ENTREPRENEURIAL CENTER
HELPS PEOPLE HELP THEMSELVES



I, TOO, HAVE A VISUAL IMPAIRMENT. I TELL CLIENTS DISABILITY IS NOT A LIABILITY; IT IS AN ASSET.

—ELBERT FORD,
EMPLOYMENT SERVICES



31% OF CHICAGO LIGHTHOUSE EMPLOYEES HAVE DISABILITIES OR ARE VETERANS.

THRIVING IS...

Helping Others Succeed

by: Elbert Ford, *Job Placement Counselor*

People ask me what I find most fulfilling about my job. The answer is simple: helping others find their passions.

When a person comes into my office, it's my job to help them figure out what their interests and aptitudes are and then help them turn that enthusiasm into fulfilling, long-term employment.

It could be a new line of work. Or it could be a small part of their previous job, such as interacting with people, that they enjoyed. Maybe it was crafting something with their hands. Maybe it was interacting with customers. Whatever it may be, we figure it out together, and then we put together a plan to find those same qualities in their next job.

A lot of my clients are people who have a disability, and most often they are blind or visually impaired. I, too, have a visual impairment. **I tell clients disability is not a liability; it is an asset. It helps them become more creative, more diligent and better at solving problems, which are all qualities that employers desire in the workplace.**

It has led me to a place where I can help them, which is the greatest benefit of all.

Elbert knows his visual impairment helps him better connect with clients who participate in The Lighthouse's Employment Services Program. That connection makes it easier to help them find an occupation where they will be fulfilled and successful.



THRIVING IS...

Building a Life with Low Vision/Blindness



When Vlad lost his vision in an accident, he thought his life was over. Ten years later, he brought his daughters to The Lighthouse to show them the place that made him feel hope again.

How The Lighthouse Taught Vlad to Never Give Up

“You see girls. This is a place that teaches you never to give up.” That was the message Vlad wanted his daughters to learn about The Chicago Lighthouse when he brought them on a tour. “No matter how bad life seems, there are people who can help you.”

By his own admission, Vlad has come a long way since his first visit to The Chicago Lighthouse more than a decade ago. Left completely blind after a traumatic brain injury, Vlad didn’t know what the future had in store for him, but he wasn’t looking forward to it.

Nevertheless, he came to The Lighthouse where he learned orientation and mobility skills and participated in a clinical trial of

the BrainPort Vision Pro device, which transmits visual information through gentle electric stimulation on a person’s tongue. Participating in those programs, as well as the general kindness and support he received from everyone at The Lighthouse, helped Vlad turn the corner toward hope.

Since that time, Vlad has gotten married and is a full-time father to three young girls, two of whom he brought to The Lighthouse. “I am so glad I had the opportunity to share this with them. This is a place that changed my life.”



The Tucic Family on vacation. Peter met his wife, Bridget, when they both worked at The Lighthouse.

How The Lighthouse Helped Peter Launch a Career in Assistive Technology

When Peter started working at The Lighthouse, he never imagined he would be launching his career as an assistive technology specialist.

“I had used assistive technology for myself, but coming to The Lighthouse, I started learning and working more with technology and really fell in love with it,” Peter says.

Peter started working at the UI Health call center and then went on to manage The Lighthouse’s National Assistive Technology Help Desk, which assisted people from across the country when they had issues with their assistive technology. He is now the Director of Strategic Partnerships at HumanWare, one of the leading manufacturers of assistive technology products for people who are blind or visually impaired. In this position, Peter travels all over the U.S. and Canada to meet with various organizations and schools to

give presentations and demonstrations about the company’s products.

Peter’s time at The Lighthouse propelled him into a career he would have never pursued otherwise. **“Working at The Lighthouse was a way for me to launch forward and upward in anything that I chose to do,” he says.**

Peter continues to be involved with The Lighthouse, most recently as the keynote speaker at the Lader Family Scholarship Program’s ceremony in 2024. He is also a frequent guest speaker in the Youth Transition Program’s career fairs for students with vision impairments.



After working in our UI Health call center, Peter went on to manage our National Assistive Technology Help Desk. That led him to a career with HumanWare.



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Dr. Andrew Barrer has experienced vision impairment since childhood and appreciates the unique needs of children with disabilities. To help The Lighthouse better serve its youngest clients, Dr. Barrer recently established a fund for pediatric low vision care and therapeutic services. **His generosity will expand our Seeing is Believing Program, which provides no-cost eye exams and corrective devices for Chicagoland students.** This program brings together Lighthouse clinicians, caregivers and educators to improve the classroom experience for students with low vision, giving them the tools they need to thrive at school including glasses, assistive technology and orientation and mobility training.

The students in The Lighthouse's Children's Development Center will enjoy new artwork in the hall of their school kindly donated by Dr. Barrer. Titled "Representation Matters", the piece by Jill Wells features Braille.

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On October 30, 2024 we officially opened The Foglia Residences at The Chicago Lighthouse. President and CEO Dr. Janet Szlyk cut the ceremonial ribbon along with other civic leaders including Lighthouse Board Chair Thomas Deutsch, M.D.; Chicago Department of Housing Commissioner Lissette Castaneda; Chicago Housing Authority Housing Choice Voucher Officer Cheryl Burns; Chicago Alderman Walter Burnett; Illinois State Sen. Lakesia Collins; Brinshore Development Co-Founder and Principal David Brint; Illinois State Representative Yolanda Morris; U.S. Senator Richard Durbin; U.S. Representative Danny Davis, and Amazon Devices & Services Head of Community Engagement Karla Torres.

THRIVING IS... Feeling Understood



Pat was joined by her Lighthouse friends Laura Hayes and Patrick Andrade from our Low Vision Clinic at our Rise to Shine race.

Pat Kosmerl's low-vision journey moved quickly. She went from a diagnosis of Occult Macular Dystrophy, which causes a progressive loss of central vision, to legal blindness in under 18 months. Fortunately, she found The Chicago Lighthouse, and our team of low-vision optometrists, assistive technology specialists, occupational therapists and psychologists, to support her. **"The feeling of community I felt and the sense that 'we're all in this to help you' is incredible when you're losing your vision," Pat says.** "It's a community where I feel a sense of belonging – and where I feel understood." Over her five years of connection with The Lighthouse, Pat and her brother Richard have been involved in several events, including our Rise to Shine Run & Walk. (Pat was on the planning committee, and Richard placed first in his age group in the 5K.) They have toured The Lighthouse to learn more about our extensive programs, and Pat has generously contributed to ensure others can benefit from our services. "I want to support the organization—since the organization has been so supportive of me," Pat says. "There is a positivity and understanding that permeates throughout The Lighthouse. I want others to share in that experience"



L to R: Pat, her cousin's daughter, Mary Pat, and her brother, Richard.

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Cathy Edelman knows her mother, Virginia, was fortunate to have the means to afford assistive technology when her vision started to fade as the result of wet age-related macular degeneration. Even more importantly, she knows many others cannot afford the hefty price tags of the devices that enabled Virginia to continue doing the activities she loved. **Feeling that no one should be limited in their independence, Cathy established the Virginia B. Edelman Memorial Fund in 2024 to provide financial support for individuals who cannot purchase the essential aids on their own.** So far, 24 individuals have received devices from The Lighthouse's Tools for Living® store, including Denisse, who says her OrCam "has helped me live a better, more complete life."



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Carl, a participant in our Adult Living Skills Program and a longtime member of our VisionQuest house band, performs at a recent Board meeting. Carl announced his intention to retire from our Adult Living Skills Program and move to the warmer climate of San Antonio. Dr. Szlyk and band director, Robert Mantsh look on.



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IN MEMORIAM

We remember special friends who we've recently lost or who were remembered with a gift in their memory. We are grateful for their commitment to our important mission during their lifetimes. Their kindness will be remembered through our good works today and for years to come.

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Roy Killins

The Chicago Lighthouse bid farewell to two members of its Lighthouse Industries staff who passed away in 2024. **Both Roy Killins and Dave Williams demonstrated how acceptance and accessibility can help those with disabilities thrive in the workplace.**

Roy worked as a Clock Assembler in our manufacturing facility for 32 years. His experience was invaluable for everyone within Industries, especially to those who might have been new to being blind. **If people came in feeling discouraged and as if their lives were over, "Uncle Roy" would take them under his wing to help them out and keep them going.**

Dave began working in Lighthouse Industries as a die-cutter and materials handler in the clock factory in 2017 before moving into our print shop, where he designed clock faces, calendars and other materials assembled in the plant. In the print shop, Dave processed roughly 100 orders a day, making sure the designs and logos were correctly placed, updated and branded. **Dave's unassuming confidence was the foundation that Industries rested upon.**

"This was what they did, and it was their profession. They supported their families. They had kids and grandkids," says Plant Manager, Ken Winston. "There has definitely been a void without them. It's been different, but we still talk about them all the time, which kind of keeps them with us."



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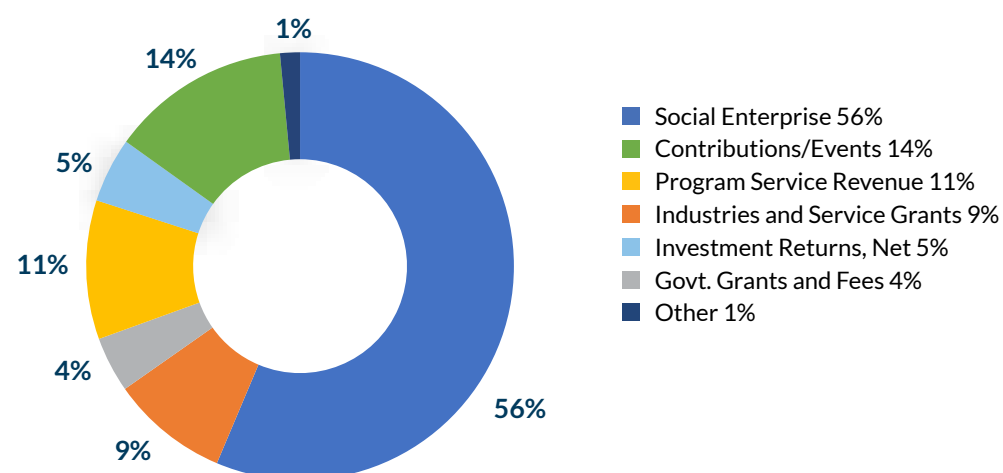


2023 - 2024 Consolidated Financial Summary and Comparison
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as of June 30

ASSETS				
	2023		2024	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	2,293,782	\$	2,099,197
Receivables, Net		12,114,818		11,571,639
Inventories		872,669		685,923
Investments		20,557,599		25,123,074
Beneficial Interest in Perpetual Trusts		597,372		649,549
Prepaid Expenses		435,526		628,227
Fixed Assets, Net		8,331,911		7,980,203
Total Assets	\$	45,203,677	\$	48,737,812

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities	\$	8,276,894	\$	8,923,538
Net Assets				
Without Donor Restrictions		24,240,750		27,731,246
With Donor Restrictions		12,686,033		12,083,028
Subtotal Net Assets	\$	36,926,783	\$	39,814,274
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	45,203,677	\$	48,737,812

REVENUE SOURCES



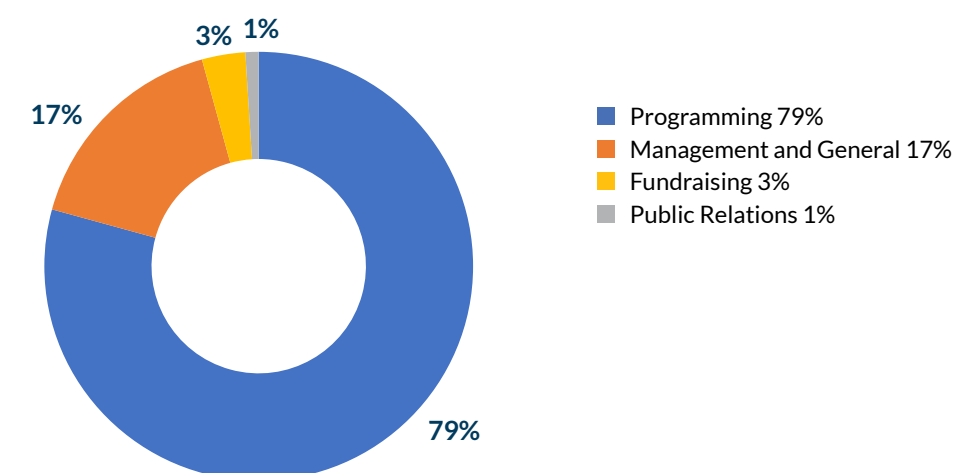
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
Period ended June 30

REVENUES				
	2023		2024	
Contributions and Bequests	\$	9,203,399	\$	7,346,604
Lighthouse Industries Sales		4,314,507		4,791,730
Call Center Contracts		24,374,135		30,376,304
Program Revenue		7,437,390		7,950,447
Investment Returns, Net		1,418,857		2,598,361
Miscellaneous		524,241		812,988
Change in Value of Split-Interest Agreements		29,796		45,670
Total Revenue	\$	47,302,325	\$	53,922,104

EXPENSES				
Program Services	\$	37,376,329	\$	40,454,758
Management and General		6,839,043		8,401,444
Fundraising		1,390,328		1,670,119
Public Relations		432,872		508,292
Total Expenses	\$	46,038,572	\$	51,034,613

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS				
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$	35,663,030	\$	36,926,783
Net Assets at End of Year	\$	36,926,783	\$	39,814,274

EXPENSE DISTRIBUTION



THE CHICAGO SOCIALIGHT

By attending a Lighthouse signature event, you are making a meaningful impact on the lives of those we serve. Your support helps fund 40 vital programs that empower people who are blind, visually impaired, disabled, and Veterans through employment, education and rehabilitation. Whether it's a fun-filled poker and casino night, an inspiring fashion show or an indulgent evening of decadent desserts, every event is a celebration of our shared mission and the incredible difference we can make together.



Vince & Patricia Foglia were honored at our 2024 Gala with the **Beacon of Light Award** for their dedication and generous support to The Foglia Residences and The Lighthouse.

Our 3rd Annual **Rise to Shine Race** brought nearly 500 runners, walkers and rollers and their families to celebrate access and inclusion for our community.



In 2024, our **Lader Family Scholarship Program** awarded 22 students who are blind, visually impaired or disabled with scholarships. Through this program, The Lighthouse is helping them achieve their dreams.



Lighthouse President & CEO, Dr. Janet Szlyk, with the MIS team and 2024 **Light of the Night Honoree**, Neal Berz, sharing a special moment of recognition for their achievements at the Seeing What's Possible Gala.



Our inclusive **FLAIR** fashion show would not be possible without the support of our VIP models and amazing Chicago partners, like Macy's on State Street, who dressed the gorgeous models featured in this photo.

Our **FLAIR** 2024 Committee celebrated another record-breaking year! From L to R, Sherry Lea Holson, Sherrill Bodine and Sheree Schimmer.



Alan B. was our first-ever blind blackjack dealer at our **Raising the Stakes for Vision: Poker & Casino Night**.



Our **Games Galore** event, hosted by the Associate Board, brings together over 200 women to spend the afternoon together playing Mahjong and Canasta.

The sweetest night of the year! Our Junior Board celebrated a great **Sips & Sweets for Sight** event in support of Lighthouse Children's and Youth Programs, hosted at the lively Carnivale restaurant.



Be part of the fun! See our **UPCOMING EVENTS** at chicagolighthouse.org/events

OUR MISSION

The Chicago Lighthouse serves people who are blind, visually impaired, disabled, and Veterans, in order for each to reach their full personal potential. Our programs build enduring success for our target populations and employees with lifelong knowledge, skills, and employment opportunities, support the discovery of new approaches for the empowerment of our communities, and sustain a social business enterprise that ensures success for our strategic ambitions.



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