



DAY SPRING



Impact Report 2023

A WORD FROM OUR CEO



In this season of gratitude, I am filled with joy to see pieces of our Day Spring puzzle coming together. We continue to grow our community and are working toward expanding our impact on those we currently serve and those we will serve in the future.

Through culture enhancement, our workforce at Day Spring is stronger than ever with staff who embrace our mission daily and who provide unconditional love to our residents.

We will continue to focus heavily on program development in the new year and will create more life-enhancing opportunities for adults with disabilities living at Day Spring.

My commitment to the mission of Day Spring runs deep as well as my efforts to steward donations toward high impact goals. We can do more good if you choose to give. Thank you for entrusting your sacrificial gifts to Day Spring so that we can shine brighter in this world through the lives of our residents.

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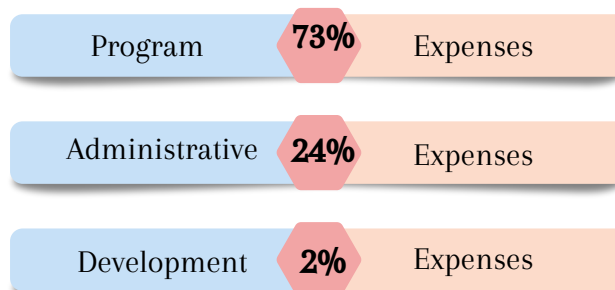
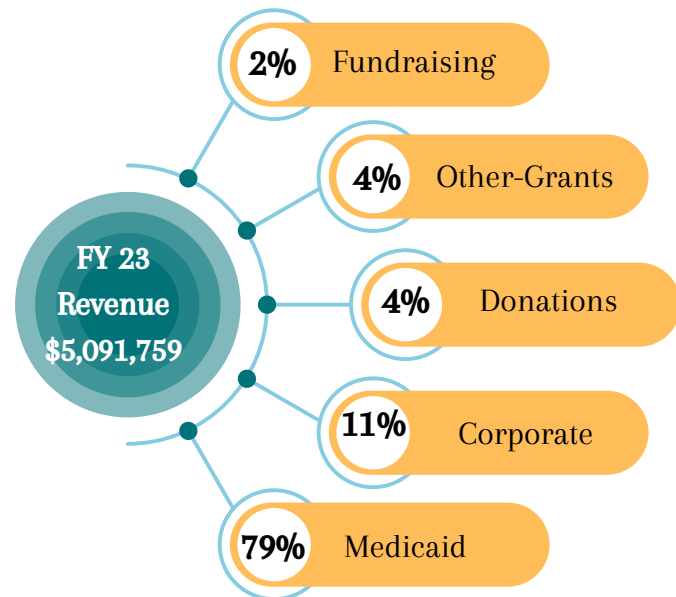
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HOMES OF HOPE



Day Spring provides homes and unconditional love for adults with disabilities in need of support. Our residential options include group homes, staffed residences, apartment living with 24/7 staffed support, and family home providers.

Our person-centered services ensure that residents receive the support they need for daily living, access to community activities, and life-enhancing opportunities. Day Spring residential services are funded through the Supports for Community Living Medicaid Waiver. Day Spring advocates for our residents to have dignity, respect, and the right to make choices.

Day Spring's Arts & Wellness program ensures our residents have ample and diverse activities to choose to participate in monthly. This program continues to grow thanks to community partnerships and funding.



OUR FRIEND, MIKE

Mike Willinger, a founding resident and lifelong pillar of Day Spring since 1994, embodies steadfast commitment, boundless kindness, and a deep sense of community. His unwavering dedication is evident in every interaction, greeting others with a genuine smile and heartfelt hello.

Mike's commitment extends to all facets of his life, evident in his enduring relationship with his high school sweetheart, Mary, and his unwavering tenure at Kroger spanning over two decades. Embracing the essence of community, Mike thrives within his expansive family of eight and actively contributes to the close-knit fabric of St. Stephen Martyr Church, where he graciously serves as an usher. Through his actions and spirit, Mike epitomizes Day Spring's mission, exemplifying a life brimming with joy and fulfillment.



No matter what, Mike always has a big smile on his face and a positive outlook on life! He's been such a pleasure to work with for 17 years. Hopefully I give Mike meaningful support, because he certainly supports me!

-Russ Owens DSP (pictured bottom right)



COLLEGE FOR LIVING

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After years of providing residential and life enrichment services Day Spring found that there was a population in the IDD community that was left behind. These individuals with IDD did not need around the clock support but were also not independent enough to live on their own just yet.

With this in mind Day Spring launched a private pay residential program in 2017; tailored to young adults with disabilities who have the drive and the capacity to live independently someday but need help developing the life skills to do so.

The College for Living is designed to mirror the college experience that many of their peers and loved ones embark on after high school while also fostering independence in a safe environment. Life skills mentors help students develop confidence and the autonomy to determine their readiness for graduating to full independence.



Day Spring has the capacity to serve more young adults through the College for Living Commuter Program. Commuter students have the opportunity to sharpen their life skills and build community without living on campus. Students can elect between full-time or part-time status.

Applications are available NOW to join our commuter program!
Email CFLinfo@dayspringky.org for more additional information.



FEATURED STUDENT



Daniel Noltemeyer has been a student at the College for Living for six years and will be the program's first graduate in Spring 2024. Daniel is well-known in the community, active with Best Buddies of Kentucky, Down Syndrome of Louisville, and is proudly a Kentucky Colonel. Daniel is dependable at both of his jobs and volunteers regularly. Daniel is currently searching for an apartment, and he is excited and confident to live independently next year!

Congratulations, Daniell!

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A legacy donation holds immense significance to Day Spring as it ensures support for generations to come. Such contributions not only guarantee financial stability but also symbolize a lasting commitment to improving the lives of individuals with disabilities, leaving an enduring legacy of compassion and support within Day Spring and the individuals it serves.

To learn more on how to leave your legacy email us at info@dayspringky.org



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**Transforming the world for people with
developmental disabilities.**

Celebrating **30** Years



Jack and Gladys Ford had a dream– to ensure a loving home and fulfilling life for their daughter, Mary, who was born with an intellectual disability. The idea of Day Spring came to life in 1994 and 30 years later, Mary is still thriving in Day Spring’s group home with her housemates. Day Spring now serves more than 40 adults through our residential programs.



As we head into 2024, we celebrate the impact Day Spring has made in the lives of residents and families over the last three decades. The Day Spring Board of Directors continues the momentum of our mission with plans to have a broader impact in the years to come.



**Read about our history and learn more about
exciting things in the year ahead for Day Spring!**

