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In the beginning

It was 1902. The city of Jacksonville, recently ravaged by fires, was desperately trying to rebuild. No longer a haven for the wealthy, it now reflected tragedies of the natural disaster. During a time that tested hearts, courage and compassion, the Orphan Trains began rolling into town, dropping off hundreds of abandoned children. Children whose eyes offered a glimpse into their fear of the unknown yet remained sprinkled with a twinge of hope ... hope that they might join a family.

Their hope captured the compassion and determination of Jacksonville's leaders, who banded together to find families for the orphans and to care for those still waiting. On November 17, 1902, these concerned citizens, under the direction of Reverend D.W. Comstock, founded Children's Home Society of Florida (CHS), still the state's leading child- and family-serving organization

thousands of children and families. To ensure more children are safe, healthy and prepared for life.

Over the past century, CHS has evolved to provide safety and shelter to children victimized by abuse or neglect ... to provide in-home parenting education to expectant and first-time mothers ... to provide reunification services for parents and children torn apart by traumatic circumstances ... to provide family-strengthening programs for parents to create stable, loving homes ... to provide one-on-one mentoring for children struggling with the absence of a parent ... to provide housing, hope and guidance to foster teens approaching adulthood ... to break the tragic cycle of abuse for more and more children.

Building upon past success and working toward ambitious goals for the future, CHS relies on the dedication of nearly 2,000 professionals and thousands of committed volunteers, passionate advocates and generous contributors to continue making the difference for Florida's children and families.

As we look ahead, we place confidence in the CHS Foundation to secure our future by endowing assets so CHS may provide critical services to children and families for years down the road. Offering faithful supporters more avenues to affect change for children, the CHS Foundation engages contributors in planned giving to leave legacies that transform futures.

Our rich history and future aspirations



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Message from the President

For more than a century, CHS has upheld our legacy of transforming the lives of children and families. And while we remain diligent about providing high-quality services, we also embrace opportunities that



can potentially change the way society cares for children and youth.

Opportunities that can prevent child abuse. Opportunities that can provide foster youth with real futures.

Opportunities that can drastically improve lives, families and communities.

But such opportunities don't exist in a vacuum. Thus, we strategically partner

with leading universities, foundations and similar agencies to capitalize on the potential of our endeavors.

Through our partnership with the University of South Florida, academics research and evaluate our Trauma Recovery Initiative, a pilot program in the Panhandle that provides specialized counseling and services to youth who've suffered multiple traumas. Funded by a significant grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Services Administration, this initiative allows CHS to be one of Florida's two projects in the National Child Traumatic Stress Network.

David A. Bundy received the Chairman's Award, the highest honor awarded by the Florida Coalition for Children.

We're also exploring several partnerships to implement a community school

program in Florida, an initiative already quite successful in New York. Through our relationship with New York's Children's Aid Society, I've witnessed the dramatic impact of these programs. Though planted in a rough section of the city, the community school is respected as a "safe zone," a place where youth feel protected and encouraged, a place that motivates them to break free of the negative influences that often surround them.

This project works because organizations and academic institutions collaborate to provide youth and their families with the myriad of services they need in one setting. It works because services reach the entire family while instilling within youth a drive to succeed, to step above circumstances that may have once trapped them in cycles difficult to break.

Maintaining our leadership position requires more than keeping up with the status quo, more than changing with the times. It requires innovative thinking, long-term goals and a commitment to provide children and families with the services and care they need. I'm honored to share this responsibility with you, and I thank you for your dedication to Florida's future.

David A. Bundy President/CEO

David a - Bundy

Message from the Chair

Few voices are as powerful as those speaking on behalf of children. A longtime volunteer with CHS, I'm honored to advocate for Florida's children and families who desperately need the programs offered by this life-changing organization.

When we join together to speak on behalf of Florida's youth in need, our efforts do not go unnoticed. During the state's 2009



legislative session, children's services were spared significant budget cuts ... but, still victim to economic turmoil, these services remain underfunded when they're needed most.

Without the dedication of concerned individuals, we may not have left our mark in the Capitol or our communities ... and the consequences could have

been devastating to Florida's children and families. But you stepped up. Together, we made a difference.

And we have so much more to do.

Over time, Florida has made significant strides in improving outcomes for children. In addition to leading the nation in adoptions of children from foster care, Florida has experienced a decline in the number of children re-entering the dependency system, increasing the focus on child abuse prevention and family strengthening. Part of this success is attributed to funding opportunities afforded through Title IV-E, which allows our state to use federal funds to serve children before they're removed from their homes, to reach their families before abuse occurs.

Though the results speak for themselves, Florida is granted this funding flexibility for only two more years. In 2011, when Title IV-E is slated to expire, we risk jeopardizing Florida's tremendous progress. We don't want to see this happen. Thus, we're taking our advocacy efforts beyond Tallahassee to Washington. We're working to influence our nation's leaders to change the way children's services are funded — not just in Florida but also across the country.

We must take a stand for children. Advocacy is a vital piece of the intricate puzzle that protects our youth, and our commitment is instrumental to help secure safe, happy futures for children. On behalf of the CHS Board of Directors, I extend my heartfelt thanks for your desire to make a difference for Florida's children and families.

Robert M. Moser Chairman of the Board

In recognition of our annual Innovation Symposium, CHS received the Judges Award in the Metro Orlando Economic Development Commission's William C. Schwartz Innovation Awards.

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Megan still remembers the incessant screaming. The fighting. The familiar scent of alcohol on her mother's breath. The day her parents divorced.

But she doesn't recall many childhood memories that make her smile. Nor does she recall the subtle, unfailing guidance of a healthy parental role model.

And when Megan found out she was pregnant, she didn't know where to turn, where to find positive direction ... until she heard about CHS' programs to help new and expectant mothers learn how to care for their children. how to monitor progress and help their children reach developmental and social milestones.

how to pursue personal goals to benefit their family.

Finally, Megan found someone to rely on for advice and support. "I have a woman I can look up to, a role model, someone I can aspire to be like," Megan says of the program's coordinator. And while the coordinator offers encouragement, she also provides

practical parental education, realistic scenarios of child rearing and donated necessities to help struggling parents ensure their children have safe cribs, clothing and nutritious meals.

Moreover, Megan's daughter, Kayla, has enjoyed trips to the local zoo, opened birthday presents and sported new clothes on her first day of kindergarten. None of which, Megan says, could have happened without CHS.

But it's the wealth of information CHS offers that Megan values most. "Books don't even skim the surface – you never know what to expect," she says. "I've learned everything from this program."

Megan admits that motherhood is tough — but it also brings more joy than she could have imagined. She credits CHS for helping her learn how to be the mother Kayla deserves. "She's going to be the president, a doctor, a lawyer ... a wonderful person," Megan says. "I want her to look back and say that she's successful and happy because of the way her mommy and daddy raised her."

With a successful career in higher education and plenty of opportunities to enjoy his loves of sailing and traveling, Randy admits he's lived a privileged life. He also attributes much of it to the influence and encouragement of his parents. So, after watching a television special featuring the plight of thousands of foster teens, it wasn't long before he did something about it.

"Everyone needs a good home, a good upbringing," Randy explains. With four boys currently under his roof, Randy acknowledges that his patience is often tested, his expectations perhaps too high, his trust occasionally violated. But that pales in comparison to the immense satisfaction brought by watching the boys overcome personal obstacles, the rewards he receives as their foster father, the joyful memories they've created through birthday celebrations and family trips.

And while Randy strives to provide youth with opportunities they've never before experienced – sailing, rock climbing, vacations – he remains acutely aware of the simple provisions that make a difference.

"There's a constant source of food, new clothes, school supplies, a place to sleep, their own rooms," Randy says. And there's someone who cares, who carves out time every day for quality time with each one. "I have the ability to help change lives. Every kid needs to know there's at least one person in the world they can always turn to, no matter what," he adds. "I'm a very strong advocate for these kids."

It's certainly not easy — foster youth shoulder a weight difficult for others to comprehend,

Randy explains. The boys who walk through his door have been let down time and time again; they carry painful, often traumatic memories, are grade levels behind their peers and suffer from incredibly low self-esteem.

But after joining Randy's family, the boys improve academically, build

self-confidence and begin to find happiness. Through daily "mentoring" walks with the boys, Randy learns what's going on in school, in their lives, with their biological families. He helps create the safety and trust so few have previously known.

"You can't give up on these kids, even if they give up on themselves," Randy says. "Each one is a better person when he leaves my home than when





Only 18, Ruth's endured more hardships than others three times her age. Born in Liberia, she's survived three wars. After the death of her mother, Ruth, at just 8 years old, stepped up to raise her siblings. For years, she looked over her shoulder, protected her siblings and relinquished her own needs ... and then,

together, they received a chance at life outside Liberia. A family in the United States wanted to adopt them, and Ruth had high hopes for safety and love.

But acclimating to America was tough — Ruth didn't know the language, the culture, the family norms. While struggling to find acceptance, she found rejection. In less than three years, she'd shuffled from her home country to a new family and finally ended up in another state in her grandparents' care. Before long, her grandparents kicked her out, too.

"I didn't know anyone, I didn't know where to go," Ruth says. "My [adoptive] mom gave up on me ... she didn't want me. I couldn't stay with my grandparents anymore. I was scared." And then she found CHS' Transitional Living Program.

Now, she says, "I feel saved. I have more peace than I've ever had in my life."

While Ruth completes high school, the Transitional Living Program provides a safe apartment with low rent so she can focus on her studies and pursue her dream of

becoming a nurse. Moreover, CHS counselors help her find and apply for scholarships to subsidize her rent, and she learns life skills necessary for independence and self-sufficiency, such as paying bills on time and grocery shopping on a budget.

"People really care about us here," Ruth explains. "This program is a life saver."

For the first time in her life, Ruth feels safe. Each day, she learns to be a bit braver. Because of the security, guidance and encouragement she receives from CHS, she finally feels hope. She believes she can accomplish her goals, possibly even dream a little more.

While she cherishes memories of times with her siblings, she hopes to re-establish and strengthen their relationship, to create a lifetime of togetherness. And though she dreams of eventually starting a family with a "good husband," Ruth dreams of also reconnecting, someday, with her mother who brought her to America, to let go of the past and look toward the future. With the help of CHS' Transitional Living Program, she's well on her way.

Story photos courtesy of Lisa DeCoursey Photography.

Annette's always had a soft spot in her heart for children, particularly the abandoned and abused. Even as a child, she dreamed of working in an orphanage ... but her childhood dream would turn into so much more.

Now a Licensing Supervisor with CHS, Annette protects children by finding loving foster families to provide the guidance, structure and stability they desperately need. But her calling is more than professional it's personal.

"I love having kids around, I love trying to give them a better life," Annette says. "I like to show them what a family's supposed to be, to give them some stability."

As a foster parent, she's nurtured more than 50 children over the past decade, knowing the children were to be with her only temporarily. But some could never safely return to their own homes ... fortunately, once in Annette's family, they found love, security and stability to last a lifetime.

She remembers picking up Johnny from the neonatal unit – her first foster newborn –

on her birthday. They bonded during his drug withdrawals, and she vowed to love and protect him, to shield him from ever again feeling such pain. After adopting him, she knew she could keep her promise.

When little Jayna arrived at Annette's, she was to stay for only a short while. Though Annette quickly fell in love, Jayna grew even more attached. Again, Annette began the adoption process. And when young Deondrae joined their growing family, Annette provided the patience and stability he needed. Years later, he, too, joined Annette's forever family.

Finally came Freddie; after Annette brought him home from the hospital, she says, "He never left!" While Annette supports and mentors foster parents, Freddie was the last child she fostered (and later adopted). "I was afraid I'd keep them all!" she says.

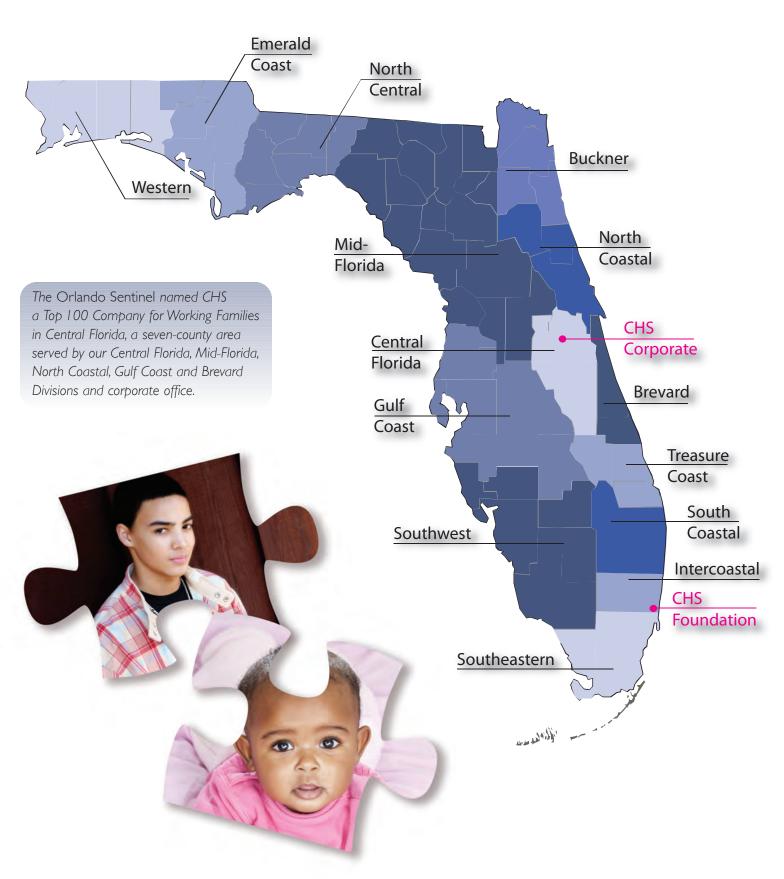
While Annette's family has grown by four, the difference she's made in the lives of local children can never be

measured. And because she's experienced the challenges and rewards that accompany fostering, she relates well to the parents she guides. "You want everybody to be part of a family," Annette says. "At work, I try to place kids in a family, and when I go home, my kids are finally in a family. At the end of the day, all is well."



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Putting the pieces together

Adoption

We find forever families for children through public, private domestic and international adoption. Because we find parents for children – not children for parents – we match the parenting potential of the family with the individual needs of each child. To provide children with loving homes for life, we also provide post-placement services and support.

Children and adults receiving adoption-related services 4,7%	26
Finalized adoptions	28

For the second consecutive year, Florida led the nation in adoptions of children from foster care. CHS finalized more than 23 percent of the state's record-breaking 3,777 public adoptions.

ReunitingFamilies

As the only adoption provider in Florida that promises confidential lifetime maintenance of adoption records, CHS allows birth parents and adoptees to access and update medical and background information and, if both parties consent, the opportunity to reunite. Reunification often provides closure and answers for all members of the adoption triad.

Inquiries received
Clients served

Group/Residentiallome Care

Children unable to live with their parents, caretakers or in a traditional foster home find safety and acceptance in our group homes. These havens welcome children into a large, lively "family" nurtured by devoted staff members who listen to their hopes and encourage their dreams.

Children served	 600
Days of care	 64.293

Emergency Shelter

Abused and neglected children find protection and love through temporary shelter and care in a warm, homelike environment. We focus on the needs and security of children while working with foster, adoptive and birth families to find safe, appropriate, permanent homes.

Children served	841
Days of care	9.844



Runaway and HomelessYouth

Complementing our Safe Place programs serving runaway and homeless youth, we offer a transportation component to CHS shelters that provide temporary housing, counseling and services such as food pantries, clothing closets, and health and personal hygiene products to youth in need.

Youth	reached		4 025

PermanencyFosterCare and RelatedServices

Our social workers guard the safety and well-being of youth in the state's child welfare system by securing safe, appropriate homes for them. We also train, license and support foster parents and provide temporary out-of-home placement for children removed from their homes due to abuse, abandonment or neglect.

Children and parents served	03
Licensed homes 5	96
Days of care	18

Honoring our outstanding advocacy of and success in adoption and foster care, the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute named CHS a 2009 Congressional Angel in Adoption.

Early Educationand Care

Our licensed childcare centers encourage proper social, developmental and academic growth in children while strengthening family relationships. Some of our specialized programs cater to children with unique medical needs or those whose families have court hearings. Others focus on preparing young children — many from struggling families — for scholastic success. All provide children with a safe environment and promote self-sufficiency in their parents.

Children and family members served 4,344	ŀ
Days of care)

Early Steps

Families with infants and toddlers who have medical challenges, disabilities or developmental delays benefit from services that enhance the child's development and provide hope and support for the family. Services include evaluation and planning, physical and speech therapy, home-based teaching, nursing and medical services, assistive technology, nutritional planning, vision and hearing services, family counseling, and transportation.

Home-Basedand Family-Centeed Services

In-home services reinforce family values, appropriately resolve family conflicts and improve communication among family members in their natural environment. Our programs strengthen parenting skills and household management, integrate families into their communities, and create stable, nurturing homes. Through this supportive process, we equip parents with tools necessary to cope with the daily stresses of family life.

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Healthy Child Development

Our voluntary home-visiting programs, Healthy Start and Healthy Families, support expectant and new mothers and families with young children. We offer emotional support, parental education, referrals to other community resources and more. As we promote positive parenting skills, child development, child health and family growth, we work to prevent child abuse and neglect while encouraging strong family relationships.

Healthy Families Florida named our Healthy Families Miami-Dade Program the 2009 Program of the Year.

Family Visitation

Maintaining family relations while children are in foster care is critical for their development. We offer several places for families to connect in a friendly atmosphere during safe, supervised visits that promote reunification and healthy family relationships. CHS staff or trained volunteers monitor and/or supervise all visits and provide role modeling for positive family interactions.

Children and parents served 2,541

Mentoring

Through our MODEL Mentoring Program, we match trained volunteers with children and teens who have an incarcerated parent. Adult mentors offer friendship and advice while serving as positive role models to help youth develop to their fullest potential. We also offer mentoring to teens preparing to "age out" of foster care so they may receive guidance and encouragement from volunteers dedicated to their success. Additionally, teenaged parents may participate in mentoring relationships with experienced parents as they strive to improve their family's well-being.

CHS has again earned national re-accreditation by the Council on Accreditation (COA), recognizing our commitment to providing the highest quality of care and adhering to the toughest administration standards. Since 1982, CHS has continuously maintained this exceptional distinction and is currently the second-largest nongovernmental not-for-profit organization in the United States and Canada accredited by COA.

Volunteers

Our compassionate, dedicated volunteers are intricate pieces of the puzzle that transforms the lives of children and families. Generous individuals donate valuable time and talent to help CHS provide quality care and services throughout the state. Our devoted volunteers help youth with homework, mentor children and teens, organize and support fundraising events, participate in board meetings and strategic planning sessions, solicit contributions, and advocate to elected officials for funding and support. Each volunteer is critical to our success, enabling us to continue providing children and families with hope for a brighter tomorrow.

*Estimated dollar value of volunteer time is based on figures from independentsector.org.

Social Developmentand PreventionServices

Assessing needs of children and families, often in neighborhood and school settings, allows us to link them with appropriate programs. We focus on personal and social development, community resources promoting self-sufficiency and family stability, and/or services that strengthen families and educate parents to decrease the likelihood of child abuse and neglect.

Children, youth and parents served......8,042

IndependentandTransitionaLiving

On average, more than 800 teenagers in Florida "age out" of foster care each year. Studies indicate that, within three years of aging out, roughly one-third of former foster youth become homeless. Our Independent and Transitional Living programs aim to change this by providing a supportive transition to adulthood and self-sufficiency.

Child ProtectionTeams

Our Child Protection Teams assist law enforcement and the Department of Children and Families with investigations of child abuse and neglect by providing comprehensive multidisciplinary assessments of children reportedly victimized. Sensitive to the trauma children have experienced, we offer comfort and security in our technologically advanced, child-friendly centers. While trained forensic interviewers gently talk with traumatized children, appropriate parties observe at a remote location; this state-of-theart system protects the majority of child victims from reliving their experiences more than once and ensures privacy and confidentiality. Throughout the process, we provide support and resources while making recommendations for families to attain proper treatment and support to prevent future crises.

MentalHealthand CounselingServices

Families with children who are emotionally disturbed or have behavioral disorders may receive therapeutic support for personal growth and development as well as intense support for serious or chronic mental health issues. A CHS team of coordinators, therapists and case managers provides guidance and specialized training to birth, adoptive and/or foster parents, intensive therapy for children, or linkage to mental health services.

Total Children and Adults Served* 97,885	5
Total Days of Care	ı

*Total Children and Adults Served is conservatively calculated based upon the assumption that, in addition to the child client, at least one additional family member is served through our placement and in-home programs.

Financial year in review 2008-2009

FinancialSummary

As of June 30, 2009, and June 30, 2008. (dollars in thousands)

Stateme	ntof FinancialPosition	2009	2008
Assets	Cash and Cash Equivalents	12,322	12,709
	Accounts Receivable (net)	11,816	12,953
	Investments	5,025	5,594
	Beneficial Interest in CHS Foundation	11,693	14,397
	Property and Equipment	37,198	37,331
	Other	4,864	6,078
	Total Assets	82,918	89,062
Liabilities	Current Liabilities	12,831	12,174
	Long-Term Liabilities	19,846	20,299
	Pension	9,160	8,149
	Total Liabilities	41,838	40,622
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Net Assets	Unrestricted	28,784	33,437
	Temporarily Restricted	4,699	7,442
	Permanently Restricted	7,597	7,560
	Total Net Assets	41,081	48,439
	Total Liabilities and Net Assets	82,918	89,062

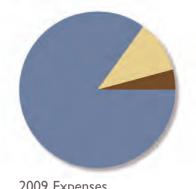
Stateme	ntofActivities	2009	2008
Revenue	Service Contracts	93,212	98,421
	Public Support	11,289	14,853
	Adoptive and Other Service Fees	1,613	1,530
	Other	955	1,250
	Total Support and Revenue	107,069	116,053
Expenses	Program	90,798	95,792
•	General and Administrative	11,970	13,387
	Fundraising	4,466	4,067
	Total Expenses	107,234	113,246
	Results from Operations	(164)	2,807
Other	Gain (Loss) on Sale of Property	(608)	(52)
	Investment Gain (Loss)	(906)	(175)
	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Interest Rate Swap*	(1,153)	(553)
	Pension Adjustments	(2,374)	(4,878)
	Change in Beneficial Interest in CHS Foundation	(2,153)	(497)
	Change in Net Assets	(7,359)	(3,348)

^{*}CHS entered into an interest rate swap agreement with Bank of America that fluctuates daily with long-term rates.

To ensure continued fiscal integrity and compliance with all accounting standards, the accounting firm of McGladrey and Pullen, LLP, annually audits CHS financial records.





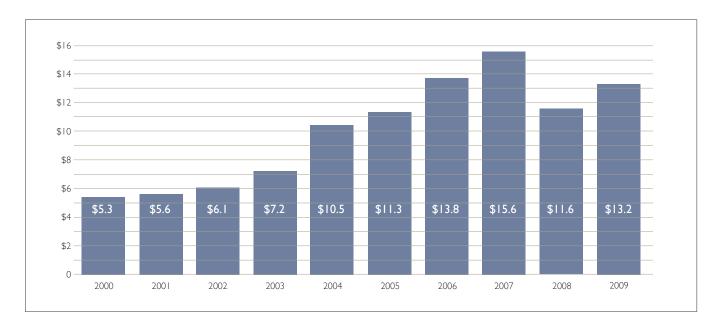


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■ Other

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■ Program	85%
General and	
Administrative	11%
■ Fundraising	4%

FoundationNetAssets(In Millions)



The financial health of CHS is a reflection of the sound planning and hard work of board and staff members as well as the generosity and vision of donors and funding organizations. Committed to the highest level of fiscal responsibility, we, as stated in our organizational values, serve as "diligent, responsible stewards" of financial resources.



Securing our future......The CHS Foundation

From the President



Reflecting upon our past year's endeavors brings to mind a single word: stewardship.

At the CHS Foundation, we're guided by our commitment to stewardship as we remain fully aware of the importance of our work, fully aware of the trust instilled in us by our friends. Because of your

confidence and support, we're able to engage in efforts that affect children's lives today and those that will affect the lives of children in years to come. And while we focus on securing children's futures, we're ever cognizant that the true impact of our service is only possible because of your generosity.

Thus, we find it imperative to maximize the benefit of your kindness by directing financial resources back to the children and families CHS serves in your communities, to address their pressing needs now while also conserving funds so CHS may help children long into the future.

This year, as we continue implementing tactics that reflect our commitment to stewardship, we've chosen to integrate our CHS Foundation annual report into CHS' prime publication. While producing a more comprehensive picture of our work, we're also able to put more dollars back into communities ... back to the teams that deliver programs providing hope and opportunities to tens of thousands of Floridians.

The CHS Foundation annually invests in services that reach children right now, honoring donor requests to support children in their own communities. And still, while contributing significant funds to help youth today, we continue to responsibly manage our endowments so we can protect future opportunities to help children.

Led by responsible stewardship and service, we remain incredibly thankful for your desire to protect the future of Florida's children.

Robert T. Giese President

CHS Foundation

From the Chair



Privileged with positions on both the CHS and CHS Foundation Boards of Directors. I have come to learn perspectives from numerous volunteer leaders and staff passionate about the mission and future of both organizations.

Protecting youth became the focus of CHS the moment its founders watched

the first child step off the Orphan Trains that rolled into lacksonville. And, since the Foundation's inception nearly two decades ago, we've been concerned with protecting future opportunities for Florida's children. Such foresight and direction allows us to strategically collaborate for the best benefit of youth and their families, to serve our communities today and years down the road.

While the Foundation works to build endowments and appropriately manage assets to secure the financial future of CHS, we're proud to also annually support local CHS divisions to help build stronger families today. We know that, as CHS empowers families, our children will reap the benefits and be more prepared when tomorrow comes. But we also know that many more children still need our help ... and that many more will need our help in years to come. Fortunately, through our combined efforts, we can make the difference they deserve. The difference they need. Together, we can transform their futures.

On behalf of the CHS Foundation Board of Directors, thank you for sharing our vision for the future of Florida's children.



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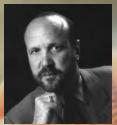


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Your dollars make a difference

Here are just a few ways your contributions change lives:	
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\$143	provides a child with a full day and night of safety and love with a foster family
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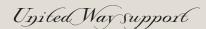
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