



Lighthouse Promise, Inc.
ANNUAL REPORT

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Letter to Our Friends

Dear Friends,

As we approach 2018 with much anticipation, we also look back on 2017 filled with humble gratitude for your investment in Lighthouse Promise, Inc., DBA Lighthouse Academy at Newburg, Lighthouse Community Center, and Lighthouse Athletic Center with each serving the community in a special way. We also want to thank one of our founders, Jim Sutton, who passed away this year.

In honor of both our founders, Bob Farrar and Jim Sutton, on Oct. 12th, we dedicated the Farrar Sutton Activity Center. We would also like to thank Al Kirkpatrick for his years of service as our Chairman of the Board and welcome Wendell Townsend as our 2018 Board Chairman.



As you peruse this report, you will see that we are delivering the promise we made to you, our community and stake holders. We continued our efforts as a 21st Century Community Learning Center aiding students academically, emotionally, and socially. **We have been expanding our programs and enrollment and are working with more youth than ever.** Lighthouse has been commissioned a **BLOCStar** and on **JCPS Louisville Linked/211** system to make sure all students who need us, locate us. We are also participating in the **3rd Grade Reading Pledge!** We also are partners with the **FACE IT** program whose goal is to wipe out Child Abuse in Louisville. Lighthouse staff sit on the Boards of **BLOCS** (Building Louisville's Out of School Coordinating System) and **Alliance for Youth** (formerly the Youth Delinquency Prevention Council). In addition, Lighthouse meets all 20/20 Better Business Bureau Charity Accountability Standards. **All our programs serve students at NO CHARGE!**

In addition, Lighthouse has been selected as an **Endorsed Learning Place by JCPS** which incorporates Every 1 Reads program along with STEM learning curriculum as well as technology. We have exceeded the **Metro Louisville Out of School Time Quality Standards.** Lighthouse received the **Kids Café of the Year** by Dare to Care!

We are very thankful for all we have accomplished and wish to thank each of you for your help in accomplishing our goals.

Thank you!

Mission

The mission of Lighthouse Academy at Newburg is to provide youth in our community a safe place to learn and grow through educational, spiritual, and economic programs.

Vision Statement:

The vision of the Lighthouse Academy at Newburg is to provide experiences that will foster a love for lifelong learning.

Highlights



Lighthouse had 96 active students in the January-May 2017 semester, 114 student's active on our summer roster with 95 completing the whole program and Sept.-Dec. 2017, 112 on the roster with 90 active daily participants (with a waiting list.) (Active daily participants = number of students we average attending). We have had students representing 20 different Jefferson County Public Schools over the course of 2017. Not included in this count is our Karate program attendees, basketball program, GED students per every 6 weeks, HALO and Boys 2 Men mentoring programs. Lighthouse offered **educational programs** throughout the year including STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math); Reading enrichment; College and Career Readiness programs; peace building programs; Junior Achievement, Speakers that encompass the community teaching on careers and college experiences; 4H; Child Psychologists; Karate; Basketball; Cheerleading; HALO (our girls Saturday mentoring program); Boys 2 Men (our boys Saturday mentoring program); Robotics, Coding, music classes; art classes; a full GED program; Club time teaching things like: Photography, STEP Dance, Gardening, computer, book club, and more.



On August 5, 2017, Lighthouse Back to School and Health Fair served 1156 people this year with 836 back packs with school supplies donated. 73 Dental Checks by UL School of Dentistry
 73 Physicals by our 4 volunteer doctors with the help of many students from the Galen School of Nursing, 159 Vision Screenings by the South Oldham Lions Club. 800 free lunches given out by the JCPS Bus Stop Café. 600 Pure Tap Water Bottles given out (donated by The Louisville Water Company)



On October 13, 2017, Lighthouse First Annual Fall Festival served 178 families and gave away 116 coats. We were able to give hundreds more to a homeless shelter. We also gave away hats, scarves, gloves, purses, food, and had many booths with fun actives for families.





We continue to partner with JCPS, Kentucky Department of Education as a 21st Century Community Learning Program, and Metro Louisville to insure a quality program. Lighthouse was commissioned a **BLOCStar**, participated in the Metro Louisville program, Out of School Time Quality Standards and YPQI(Youth Program Quality Assessment). Lighthouse **exceeded all standards** to be considered a quality program. **Dare to Care** continues to partner with us providing hot nutritious meals for all of our students. Lighthouse is listed on **Louisville Linked/211** system to make sure all students who need us, locate us. We also are partners with the **FACE IT** program whose goal is to wipe out Child Abuse in Louisville. Lighthouse staff sit on the Boards of **BLOCS** (Building Louisville’s Out of School Coordinating System) and **Alliance for Youth** (formerly the Youth Delinquency Prevention Council). In addition, Lighthouse meets all 20/20 Better Business Bureau Charity Accountability Standards. **All our programs serve students at NO CHARGE!**





Lighthouse themed 5 week summer program, “Summer in the ‘Ville” focused on social skill building, STEM, and literacy. We focus on the **WHOLE** child and concluded our 5 weeks with a Field Day celebrating our students and how exciting their future looks! Themes included Outdoors in the Ville (field trip planned to Cedar Ridge Camp), Art in the Ville (Field trip to Speed Art Museum and UofL), History in the Ville (Field trip to Fansley Moreman Landing), Explorers from the Ville (Field trip to Frazier Museum), and My future in the Ville (Field Day and College Day). Included in the weeks is participation in the Summer Reading program, DEAR reading time/one on one reading time, hands on math, authentic learning activities, enrichment activities, club time, and more. The entire summer program is **FREE OF CHARGE** including the field trips.

NOTE: Lighthouse Promise, Inc. is approved by the Better Business Bureau Charitable Review Committee.

Program Impact

- Lighthouse Student Average Attendance at JCPS: 98.0% vs JCPS Average Attendance 94.6%
- **Fall 2016 to Spring 2017:** 84.5% of students attending 30 or more days showed an increase in at least one core subject area or obtained the new federal standards for “does not need improvement” which includes the letter grades B and A as well as Satisfactory and above for younger elementary students. 71.5% had an A/B or O/S in Math, 75% had an A/B or O/S in Reading, 81% had an A/B or O/S in Science, and 83% had A/B or O/S in Social Studies
- **Fall 2017 Grades: L/A/Reading:** 81% had a C/S or higher **Math** 78% had a C/ S or higher **Science** 90% had a C or S or higher **Social Studies** 93% had a C or S or higher
- 45% of Lighthouse students attending 30 or more days are currently on the Honor Roll at their JCPS school.
- **KPrep 2017-2013:**
READING: Distinguished and Proficient students have grown 12.4% over these years based on students attending more than one year. Our Novice students have decreased from 47.5% in 2013 to 28.2% in 2017. Current attendees: 32% Proficient/Distinguished based on the year prior to attending.
MATH: Distinguished and Proficient students have grown 19% over these years based upon students attending more than one year. Students continue to show growth from Novice from 43% in 2013 to 21.7% in 2017. Current attendees: 22% Proficient/Distinguished based on the year prior to attending.
45% of students who have attended 2 or more years have risen in at least one category in their KPrep scores.
- Surveys from teachers and students say:
 - a. 99% of Teachers believe their student has improved in either academics, behavior, and or engagement when/because of attending Lighthouse.
 - b. 81% of Teachers surveyed believe student showed improvement or did not need to improve turning in his/her homework.
 - c. 78% of Teachers believe that Lighthouse was instrumental in improving students’ academics
 - d. 95% of Students feel Lighthouse helps them do better in school
- The number one teacher comment on report cards say Lighthouse students are participating more in group discussions at class and behavior is improving.

Parent Letter

Lighthouse receives letters from parents that exemplify the change in students after attending our program. Please read one such letter:

Dear Lighthouse,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude for all that you have done and continue to do in the Newburg community. It is sad that there are so few places that provide a positive atmosphere for the youth to thrive in. I live in the Norfolk neighborhood and there is nothing over here for kids to do productive. In this day of violence and evil, our kids have to be protected.

My older twins attended the Lighthouse in 2008, I think, when it first started the Boys To Men program. They went to tutoring after school and also attended over the summer when Margaret Butler was there. I cannot begin to tell you how accommodating the staff was to me. I was very pregnant with a new baby and one of my sons had special needs. They were so patient with him when he had issues and worked with my inability to come all the time. They attended until they left middle school and are now productive adult members of society.

Fast forward to 2011, my older three participated in the basketball team that was offered. They had a really great time. The staff again went above and beyond to make sure they enjoyed the experience.

Now, my youngest two have reached the age where they can attend. They started with basketball with Mr. Eugene. We had such a great time. The coaches worked with my 6 year old son who was having some issues in school. They provided incentive for him to do better in school and he turned his behavior around enough to receive a trophy at the end of the season. I received information for them to attend the summer program and they were accepted. The staff was excellent.

They now attend the after school program and karate. It has been such a blessing to have this continued relationship with the Lighthouse. Mrs. Cynthia is an absolute Godsend to our family. As an added bonus, my five year old came home excited to tell me that Mrs. Cynthia and I share the same birthday!!! The teachers there all show them love and hold them accountable to the choices they make. I have referred other parents to the Lighthouse and participated in fundraising to help.

My family cannot thank you enough. I am a living example of the positive effect community involvement has on families.

Keep up the good work!

Thanks,

Parent K.D.

Lighthouse Athletic Center

**Leagues, Skills Camps, Open Gym, and More:
Contact Eugene Davis for information.**



We offer Fall and Winter seasons basketball play to include leagues and tournaments. Our programs not only teach the sport, but also teach discipline and behavior modification. Our gym programs aim to mold students into stronger athletes with a solid sense of discipline, all in a loving, caring environment. Gym rental is available for different events ranging from practice times to non-alcoholic parties and events. We are more than just a Gym but a place for the community to come together.



Fund Raisers:

1. On August 12, Christ United Methodist Church sponsored Purses and Pages fundraiser and raised \$ 3,200.
2. On August 21, the Middletown UMC Men`s group sponsored the Lighthouse Golf Scramble and raised \$15,625.
3. On September 14, Lighthouse participated in Give for Good Louisville raising \$ 32,875.66.
4. During the month of September, Lighthouse Scholar parents organized a volunteer fundraiser which raised \$ 526.
5. In December, Steve Milam held his final Lighthouse Outdoor Adventure: This is an outside of the box fundraiser where Steve camped out for 100 hours with only the items he can carry on his back. Steve raised \$5,850.

Thank You!

Thank you for your support of our programs since September 1999. We attribute our success to a strong staff, involved Board, community partnerships, church organizations, and many funders and volunteers within our community. **If you are interested in donating or volunteering, please contact us at 502-964-5909.**

Please like us on Facebook -Lighthouse Academy at Newburg and visit our website www.thelighthousecenter.org !

Blessings to you all!

Lighthouse Privacy Policy:

Your privacy is important to us. To better protect your privacy we provide this notice explaining our information practices. Our privacy policy is simple: we collect no information about you unless you choose to provide that information to us. In addition, we do not give share sell, or transfer any personal information about you to any third party. To prevent unauthorized access, maintain accuracy, and ensure the correct use of information, we have put in place procedures to safeguard and secure any information we collect. If you have questions about our privacy practices, please contact us at either the postal address or phone number posted on this annual report.

Finances and Budget

As part of our Annual Report enclosed are operating budget figures showing actual operating income and expenses for 2017 and budgeted figures for 2018.

	2017	2018
	Actual	Budget
Total Income (a)	\$447,966	\$468,500
Expenses		
Program	\$306,243	\$331,500
Administration	\$102,779	\$105,000
Fund Raising Cost	\$24,158	\$32,000
Total Expenses (a)	\$433,180	\$468,500
Net Income/Loss	\$14,786	0

(a) Includes donated services and goods as reflected on following page.

2017 Estimated Value of Donations in Kind

Accounting Services	\$ 20,000
Food	\$ 39,000
Program Costs	\$ 19,000
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Total	\$ 78,000

Total Lighthouse Assets 12/31/17

Total Assets	\$ 2,076,600 (a)
Total Liabilities	\$ 15,200
Net Assets	\$ 2,061,400
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Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 2,076,600

(a) Our 18,600 Sq.Ft. Lighthouse Promise, Inc. building is operating at full capacity. The building is completely paid for.



2018 Board of Directors:

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We Need Your Help

There are many ways you can help!

Every Penny Matters

Please consider making a donation to Lighthouse Promise, Inc. You can mail your donation to:

5312 Shepherdsville Road
Louisville, KY 40228

Or PayPal online donation at http://www.thelighthousecenter.org/online_donation.aspx

Please mark your calendar for our next Give for Good Louisville on Sept. 13th!

Volunteer and Help Make a Difference

We recognize that not everyone can make a financial contribution. Please consider volunteering!
Contact Cynthia Overall or Nancy Parker at 964-5909!

