

Future in Focus



2024 IMPACT REPORT
Together, we're making a difference.



Future in Focus: Hope, Resilience, and Transformation

A mother learns to parent her young son safely and appropriately, resulting in their reunification after foster care. Post-incarceration, a dad's visits with his children result in a renewed relationship with them and a new future. A youth with previously limited skills works hard to get his dream job.

As I reflect on the success stories at Child and Family Services of Northwestern Michigan (CFS) this past year, we are reminded that our strength lies in each of our clients—and the unwavering support of our community. The theme *Future in Focus* encapsulates not only our vision for tomorrow but also the vital role each of you—our donors, partners, and volunteers—plays in shaping that future.

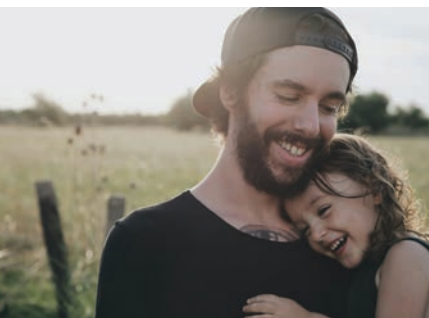
The challenges children and families face reflect those in our larger society—abuse, neglect, mental health and substance use issues, poverty, lack of access to health care, housing, and other necessities. But with your generosity, we will continue to walk alongside people learning to heal and grow.

Planned giving offers a way to ensure that this vital work continues for generations to come—a legacy of care and compassion. With your ongoing commitment, we will keep the future in focus and continue building a brighter tomorrow for those who rely on us.

Thank you for being an integral part of this journey.



Gina Aranki, Executive Director



“Your legacy
is every life
you have
touched.”

- Maya Angelou



Client TESTIMONIAL

“I can’t give enough praise to the people who have helped [my daughter]. It gave her such a lot of self-worth, a lot of confidence back. And she’s a rock star now. I mean, she always was, but she knows it now. And she’s really shined through all that darkness.”

-Chelsey, Parent of a Former
Wraparound Client



Scan to watch this family’s story.





Our MISSION

To support the safety and well-being of those we serve in times of crisis, challenge, and life transition.

2024 because of your support



116

kids in safe, loving foster homes

adoptions 34

23 natural parents participated in Family Time Coaching

1

counseling sessions

3

5

6

940

for children

8



youth served at

Next Level ILP

7 is full occupancy

223 respite stays

Safe Haven North

opened its doors in Harbor Springs

40

Wraparound families strengthened



89

YouthWork members

community service hours 31,150



1,478

Safe Haven visits & exchanges

332

Youth Services sessions



crisis hotline hours 250

YouthWork found its forever home on Cedar Run



As we shift our focus toward 2025, we eagerly anticipate the impact we will create!

“The impact of our community’s generosity is something that lasts far beyond the moment. Whether it’s funding a week at summer camp, equine-assisted therapy, or a dance class, these experiences stay with children in foster care for a lifetime. Your support doesn’t just make a difference today—it creates lasting memories and opportunities that shape their future. **It’s a ripple effect of kindness that keeps going.**”

-Aprille Sutton, Director of Child Welfare

At Child and Family Services, we support hundreds of children, youth, adults, and families every day.

Your gift provides hope and healing.

To learn more about legacy gifting, non-cash gifts (stocks and QCDs), and sponsorships, please visit cfsnwmi.org

Thank you for supporting our work through your time and generous donations.

We appreciate you!

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“The future depends on what you do today.”

– Mahatma Gandhi



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Ways to Make A BIGGER IMPACT

Your generosity helps us create lasting change and bring a brighter future in focus for those we serve. You can make a meaningful impact while benefiting from smart, tax-efficient options. Gifts of every form bring us closer to achieving our mission.

Stock Gifts:

Donate appreciated stocks directly to CFS. Avoid capital gains taxes while claiming a charitable deduction for the full market value of the stock, maximizing the impact of your gift.

Donor Advised Funds:

Contribute to CFS through a Donor Advised Fund (DAF), a simple, flexible way to support charity. Set aside money for charitable giving and receive an immediate tax deduction at the time of the donation.

Qualified Charitable Distributions:

If you are 70½ years old or older, donate directly to CFS from your IRA through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). This donation will not be counted as taxable income and can help lower your overall taxable income for the year.

Please contact your financial advisor to determine which giving option is right for you.