ILCHF 2021 Annual Report

Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation

ILCHF has a single vision:
that every child in Illinois grows up healthy.

Working through grantee partners across the state, the Foundation focuses its grant making on identifying and funding solutions to the barriers that prevent children from accessing the ongoing health care they need, with a primary focus on children's oral health and children's mental health.

"For there is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it."

AMANDA GORMAN, ***The Hill We Climb***

DEAR FRIENDS,

Welcome to our 2021* Annual report—our opportunity to recognize with profound gratitude the remarkable work of our 2021 grantee partners. These organizations are staffed by people who are, as Amanda Gorman writes, *"brave enough to be it"*—brave enough to be the lights that warm the hearts of those they serve and inspire those who support their work. In 2021, teams at 80 organizations across the State were awarded just over $16 million in grants supporting initiatives that improve the health and well-being of children and families in Illinois.

Though the year started in the midst of struggle, our commitment to positively impact the lives of children and families flourished in the midst of ***HOPE!*** This hope was grounded in the Board of Directors' $15 million commitment in COVID-19 Response funds for 2021 and 2022. These funds, in addition to ILCHF's usual annual grant making of approximately $5.5 million, intended to address needs both caused and exacerbated by the pandemic.

Inspired by our Board of Directors' commitment and motivated by community voices across the State of Illinois, ILCHF and community partners responded with strategic initiatives that invested in children's oral health services, school-based mental health services, and access to healthy food, while maintaining our commitment to center equity, diversity, and inclusion in our work.

At the onset of the pandemic, the State's oral health safety net system experienced many challenges such as dental clinic closures for several months, lengthened appointment times, reduced capacity and resources, and revenue shortfalls. In response to these challenges, ILCHF partnered with Delta Dental of Illinois Foundation (DDILF) to co-fund the $3 million *"2020 Covid-19 Oral Health Capacity Building Initiative"* which provided grants to 36 children's oral health providers supporting COVID-19 renovations and other general operating needs related to children's oral health services.

** Based upon the 2021-2022 audited fiscal year.*

As the pandemic continued into 2021, ILCHF and DDILF continued our partnership through the *COVID-19 Response Oral Health Capacity Building Renewal Initiative* which provided just over $3.7 million in funding to 35 public health dental clinics in Illinois. These funds were provided as general operating grants supporting each grantee's pediatric oral health programs, services, and recovery needs.

Though we continued to encounter COVID-19 related challenges, we believed in the shared sense of hope that recovery was on the horizon. This shared sense of hope energized ILCHF's long standing commitment to children's mental health and affirmed the need to increase access to children's mental health services through the lens of equity, diversity, and inclusion. In 2020, the Board of Directors committed $2 million of ILCHF's COVID-19 funding toward investments in communities negatively impacted by COVID-19 and structural racism. In 2021, ILCHF's *COVID-19 School Wellness Initiative—Chicago (CSWI-Chicago)* and State of Illinois *(CSWI-Illinois)* made that commitment even more impactful by increasing ILCHF's funding from $2 million to $4.2 million and extending ILCHF's long-time focus to improve children's mental health.

Through the Covid-19 School Wellness Initiative, partnerships comprised of one or more schools and a community mental health provider, were awarded two-year grants of up to $300,000 to support mental health prevention, early intervention, and treatment needs of children, parents/caregivers, and school personnel. In total, ILCHF invested just over $8.3 million in these 28 projects and an additional $240,000 in an evaluation plan. We are hopeful these grants will be the light for those participating in these programs supporting the overall health and well-being of children and families.

The pandemic not only created a dramatic increase in the number of Illinois children and families experiencing hunger but also complicated the work of foodbanks due to a decrease in the number of volunteers to pack and distribute food, and increased packing and transportation costs. In response to community needs across the State, ILCHF deepened its long-standing partnership with Illinois' foodbanks and awarded two-year grants totaling $250,000 to each of the eight food banks serving Illinois for a total investment of $2 million.

"Grant funding through the ILCHF has allowed us to increase the amount of healthy foods we can provide to school districts and after-school programs. Through this grant, the Food Bank has been able to procure pre-packaged boxes and fresh milk, protein, and produce in seven additional counties, totaling over 160,000 lbs. of healthy food for students and their families."

CENTRAL ILLINOIS FOOD BANK

In 2020, ILCHF made a commitment to champion greater health equity, social justice, and parity across the State. In 2021, this commitment resulted in **(1)** a Health Equity and Social Justice Work Group that is informing and overseeing our Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) journey; **(2)** a year-long partnership with CommonHealth Action (CHA) resulting in Board and staff participation in an organizational EDI assessment, the completion of CHA's EDI curriculum and the December 2021 adoption of ILCHF's EDI Action Plan and **(3)** the investment of nearly $4.2 million in mental health grants in 14 Chicago neighborhoods negatively impacted by both COVID-19 and structural racism.

Over the next two years we will continue our journey of learning, reflection, and action. Our overall intention is not only to embed principles of EDI into our policies, programs, and practices, but to further evolve our work to be a better Foundation, a better partner, and to create a healthier future for every child in Illinois.

As we close out 2022, we remain committed to ***HOPE—for there is always light***. While we know the opportunities presented will be accompanied by challenges, we are encouraged by the relentlessness of our community partners who work diligently to make sure that the children of Illinois have the support and services they need to live healthy lives. We are also inspired by people of all walks of life who have banded together and ***who are brave enough to envision*** greater equity, justice, access, and parity across the board. This inspiration serves to renew our commitment to push the boundaries of what we previously thought was possible. We thank you for your continued ***bravery to be the light for our communities*** and are privileged to partner toward efforts positively impacting the lives of Illinois children and families. We look forward to a healthier future together!

Sincerely,

Peter Flynn, PhD
Board Chair

Heather Higgins Alderman
President & CEO

2021 Grant recipients

MENTAL HEALTH

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago
Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership—Children's Mental Health Plan
State of Illinois
$50,000

Health & Medicine Policy Research Group
Illinois Trauma-Informed Systems and Organization Change Initiative
State of Illinois
$350,000

Planning, Implementation & Evaluation Org (PIE Org)
External Evaluation of Health & Medicine Policy Research Group Trauma Informed Trainings
State of Illinois
$100,065

Southwest Organizing Project (SWOP)
Southwest System of Care
Metro Chicago
$500,000

Chapin Hall Center for Children
Community Parenting Support Saturation Pilot Evaluation
State of Illinois
$301,620

COVID-19 SCHOOL WELLNESS INITIATIVE ILLINOIS 2021

Centerstone
Carterville COVID School Wellness
Southern Illinois
$300,000

Centerstone
JC COVID Wellness/Recovery
Southern Illinois
$300,000

Centerstone
Giant Steps Towards Wellness
Southern Illinois
$300,000

Chestnut Health Systems Inc.
Improving Access to Behavioral Health Care for Youth in St. Clair County Through the Expansion of the County's System of Care
Southern Illinois
$294,910

Community Health Care, Inc.
In-school Mental Health Support for Students, Teachers, Staff and Caregivers in East Moline Schools
Northwest Central
$300,000

Community Resource Center
School Wellness Initiative
Southern Illinois, Fayette County
$184,582

Community Resource Center
School Wellness Initiative
Southern Illinois, Marion County
$206,211

Gateway Family Services of Illinois
Sur+Thrive—Successfully Navigating the COVID-19 Pandemic
East Central
$200,000

Heritage Behavioral Health Center, Inc.
Project BRAVE
(Be Resilient and Vocalize Emotions)
East Central
$300,000

Hillsboro Area Hospital Inc.
Montgomery Mental Health Collaborative
Southwest Central
$300,000

Hoyleton Ministries
Mental Health Services for ESL School District 189
Southern Illinois
$300,000

FHN Jane Addams Family Counseling Center
Mental Health and Wellness Improvement Program
Northern Illinois
$218,159

Methodist Medical Center of Illinois
UnityPlace School Wellness Program
Northwest Central
$299,995

North Central Behavioral Health Systems Inc.
COVID-19 School Wellness Initiative
Northwest Central
$300,000

Vermilion Association for Special Education (VASE)
Providing Increased Social-Emotional Supports with Counselors
East Central
$300,000

Planning, Implementation & Evaluation Org (PIE Org)
External Evaluation & Learning Communities for the COVID School Wellness Initiative
State of Illinois
$240,350

COVID-19 SCHOOL WELLNESS INITIATIVE CHICAGO 2021

Alivio Medical Center
Little Village Campus Integrated System for Behavioral Healthcare
Metro Chicago
$300,000

Association House of Chicago
COVID-19 School Wellness Initiative (60641)
Metro Chicago
$300,000

Association House of Chicago
COVID-19 School Wellness Initiative (60651)
Metro Chicago
$300,000

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago
Youth Counseling Department: School-Based Services
Metro Chicago
$300,000

Children's Home & Aid Society of Illinois
Schubert School Family Wellness Expansion
Metro Chicago
$298,850

Community Counseling Centers of Chicago
School Wellness Initiative
Metro Chicago
$299,700

Friend Family Health Center Inc.
Mind + Body Girls Health Initiative
Metro Chicago
$300,000

GRO Community
GRO Community
Metro Chicago
$300,000

Juvenile Protective Association
Project CARES: Collaborative Access to Resources Promoting Equity in Schools: CICS Prairie
Metro Chicago
$293,321

Juvenile Protective Association
Project CARES: Collaborative Access to Resources Promoting Equity in Schools: Art In Motion
Metro Chicago
$293,498

Juvenile Protective Association
Project CARES: Collaborative Access to Resources Promoting Equity in Schools: CICS West Belden
Metro Chicago
$293,321

Lutheran Social Services of Illinois
Supporting the Ecosystem for Better Overall Mental Wellness
Metro Chicago
$299,999

University of Illinois
UIC OCEAN-HP-COPE (Creating Opportunities for Personal Empowerment) Englewood
Metro Chicago
$300,000

University of Illinois
UIC OCEAN-HP-COPE (Creating Opportunities for Personal Empowerment) Davis
Metro Chicago
$300,000

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

Brave Space Alliance
Taskforce Prevention's Mental Health First AID Program
Metro Chicago
$10,000

HealthConnect One
HealthConnect One Curriculum Update and Learning Management System Adaptation
Metro Chicago
$40,000

Health & Medicine Policy Research Group
Chicago South Side Birth Center Development Coordinator
Metro Chicago
$10,000

RefugeeOne
Understanding Needs of Newcomer Afghan Families
Metro Chicago
$10,000

ORAL HEALTH

Delta Dental of Illinois Foundation
H2O on the Go
Collar Counties
$115,175

Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law
Children's Oral Health Advocacy Project
Metro Chicago
$50,000

ORAL HEALTH COVID CAPACITY BUILDING RENEWAL 2021

Asian Human Services Family Health Center Inc.
COVID-19 Oral Health Response Through Integrated Approach
Metro Chicago
$133,000

Central Counties Health Centers, Inc.
Rebuilding CCHC's Dental Program
Southwest Central
$133,000

Chicago Family Health Center, Inc.
CFHC Oral Health Program
Metro Chicago
$133,000

Community Health Partnership of Illinois
COVID-19 Response Oral Health General Operating Capacity
East Central
$133,000

Crusaders Health Foundation DBA Crusader Community Health
Ongoing COVID Response Through Protective Equipment
Northern Illinois
$133,000

DuPage County Health Department
DCHD COVID-19 and Oral Health Project Renewal
Collar Counties
$119,648

Erie Family Health Foundation Inc.
Rebuilding Oral Healthcare for Underserved Children at Erie
Metro Chicago
$133,000

Greater Family Health
Safeguarding Children's Oral Health Care
Collar Counties
$133,000

Hancock County Health Department Dental Center
Surgically Clean Air
Southwest Central
$33,949

Heartland International Health Center
COVID-19 Response Pediatric Oral Health Capacity Building (Y2)
Metro Chicago
$133,000

Henderson County Rural Health Center Inc.
COVID-19 Response Oral Health Renewal
Northwest Central
$32,529

Infant Welfare Society of Chicago
Providing a Dental Home with COVID-19 Protocols for Children in Low-Income Communities
Metro Chicago
$133,000

Lawndale Christian Health Center
LCHC Dental Reopening Plan
Metro Chicago
$60,000

McLean County Health Department
Pandemic Loss Supplementation 2021-22
East Central
$73,691

Milestone Inc.
Post COVID-19 Dental Clinic Air Purification Project Phase 2
Northern Illinois
$13,000

Mobile CARE Foundation
Oral Health Clinic COVID-19 Recovery & Improvement Program
Metro Chicago
$30,000

Near North Health Service Corporation
Near North Health Pediatric Dental Days
Metro Chicago
$66,500

The Children's Clinic sponsored by Oak Park River Forest Infant Welfare Society
General Operating Support for Oral Health Care Program for Low Income Children
Metro Chicago
$133,000

SIHF Healthcare
Dental Services for Children
Southern Illinois
$127,274

University of Illinois
UIC Pediatric Dentistry Continued Response Needs to the COVID-19 Pandemic
Metro Chicago
$133,000

VNA Health Care
General Operating Support for VNA Health Care Dental Program during COVID-19 Pandemic
Collar Counties
$133,000

Well Child Center
Pediatric Dental Clinic and First Tooth Visit Program
Collar Counties
$132,940

ORAL HEALTH COVID UTILIZATION 2021

Champaign-Urbana Public Health District
Increasing Utilization of Quality, Comprehensive Oral Health Services in Refugee, Immigrant, and Migrant Populations
East Central
$199,135

Community Health Partnership of Illinois
Kankakee Community Strategy to Increase Pediatric Utilization of Oral Health Services
East Central
$200,000

Erie Family Health Foundation Inc.
Integrated Oral Health Expansion for Underserved Children on Chicago's West Side
Metro Chicago
$200,000

Heartland Health Outreach
The School-Based Oral Health Equity Project
Metro Chicago
$200,000

Mercer County Health Department
Mercer County Mobile Dental Program
Northwest Central
$200,000

Mobile CARE Foundation
Oral Health Access & Integration Project
Metro Chicago
$200,000

Shawnee Health Service and Development Corporation
Shawnee's Decreasing Oral Health Disparities
Southern Illinois
$200,000

University of Illinois
Academic & Community Partnership in Value Based Model
Metro Chicago
$200,000

Well Child Center
School-Aged Patient Utilization Project
Collar Counties
$198,892

NUTRITION

Central Illinois Foodbank, Inc.
Children's Emergency Food Distribution Program
Central Illinois
$250,000

Eastern Illinois Foodbank
Expanded Access to Healthy Food
Eastern Illinois
$250,000

Greater Chicago Food Depository
Hunger Relief Initiatives for Children in Cook County, Illinois
Metro Chicago
$250,000

Northern Illinois Food Bank
Providing Nutritious Food for Children
Northern Illinois
$250,000

Peoria Area Food Bank
The Peoria Area Food Bank & Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation Youth and Families with Children Mobile Pantry
Northwest Central
$250,000

River Bend Foodbank
Hunger Relief for Illinois Children and Families
Northwest Central
$250,000

St. Louis Area Food Bank, Inc.
Food for Better Childhoods
Southern Illinois
$250,000

Tri State Food Bank Inc.
BackPacks and Mobile Food Distributions
Southern Illinois
$250,000

In 2021, ILCHF awarded $11,491,490 to organizations throughout the state that share our vision and commitment.

Financial highlights

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	December 31, 2021	*December 31, 2020*
Assets		
Cash	$ 1,878,517	$ 1,164,267
Investments, at fair value	170,924,112	162,114,489
Other assets	35,644	52,707
Total assets	**172,838,273**	**163,331,463**
Liabilities		
Grants payable	6,225,592	8,181,737
Other liabilities	82,589	88,898
Total liabilities	**6,308,181**	**8,270,635**
Net assets without donor restrictions	166,530,092	155,060,828
Total liabilities and net assets	**$172,838,273**	**$ 163,331,463**

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	2021	*2020*
Investment income, net	$ 22,659,624	$ 21,373,231
Other income	1,000	–
Total net revenue	**22,660,624**	**21,373,231**
Grants approved, net*	9,709,284	9,959,077
All other expenses, net	1,482,076	1,497,704
Total expenses	**11,191,360**	**11,456,781**
Change in net assets	11,469,264	9,916,450
Net assets beginning of year	155,060,828	145,144,378
Net assets end of year	**$166,530,092**	**$155,060,828**
**Grants paid out during the year*	*$ 11,491,490*	*$ 11,549,542*

For a copy of the 2021 audited financial statements, 2021 Form 990PF, or a complete and detailed listing of our 2021 program investments, visit our website at www.ilchf.org or contact Nedranae Hunt at 630.571.2555.

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