



2022-2023 ANNUAL REPORT

# WHAT'S IN A NUMBER? *5,673 children, adults and families helped!*

In fiscal year 2023 (September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023) the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center provided therapy services, early learning and preschool programs, residential and adult day services, employment services, driver's assessments, wheelchair seating and other adaptive equipment, hearing aids, warm water therapy pool programs and other services for 5,673 children and adults in the tri-state.

In therapy services alone, Easterseals provided 44,137 individual sessions of evaluation, testing and ongoing services. That's an average of **850 therapy sessions EVERY week**. Here's the breakdown of sessions by discipline:



Bill Norman,  
Board Chair

- Speech Therapy: 10,097
- Developmental Therapy: 9,693
- Occupational Therapy: 9,581
- Physical Therapy: 7,378
- Psychology Testing and Counseling: 5,099
- Audiology Testing and Follow-up: 2,066
- Nutrition Assessment and Training: 223



Kelly Schneider,  
President/CEO

Within the psychology number, 387 children received hours-long comprehensive psychological testing. Outside of the clinical sessions listed above, an additional 341 people in the community received critical training in suicide prevention & mental health first aid as part of our community outreach and education efforts. Check out more numbers throughout this report to see how your support makes a difference for people from more than 30 counties in Southwestern Indiana, Southern Illinois and Western

Kentucky. As we continue to work on expanding psychology services to meet the ever-growing need, we are mindful of protecting the resources that support our other services to ensure that people with disabilities have access to ALL of the services they need to empower them to achieve their goals and dreams for years to come.

We are proud of the accomplishments of the people we serve and you should be proud of your partnership with us that makes that happen. Together, we will continue to enable people to achieve great things! Thank you for your support.

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State Psychiatric Hospital Network)

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# ENSURE THE FUTURE



Above, Mayor Lloyd Winnecke speaks at the press conference announcing the public phase of the “Ensuring the Future” campaign

On August 11, the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center launched a multi-million-dollar public fundraising campaign to sustain and expand its psychology services for area children and families.

The “Ensuring the Future” campaign goal is \$5 million, and more than 75% of the amount has been raised from lead gift donors. The nonprofit organization is asking the rest of the community to give, so the final goal can be achieved. Campaign donations will be invested, and the proceeds will underwrite psychology testing and counseling for years to come.

**To donate:** scan the QR code with your phone’s camera app or send a check to the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center



## MENTAL HEALTH BY THE NUMBERS



## Former interns return as Clinical Psychology Faculty Members

Welcome back to Evansville, Dr. Juan and Dr. Aura! Two members of our inaugural Clinical Psychology Internship Program have returned to Evansville as doctors of clinical psychology! **Dr. Roselia Juan** joined our Easterseals team as a member of our psychology department faculty, and will see various clients including Spanish-speaking children and families. **Dr. Juliet Aura** is an Assistant Professor for the University of Evansville’s new PsyD in Clinical Psychology program, training future psychologists.



Roselia Juan, Ph.D.



Juliet Aura, Ph.D.

## Community Support Businesses, foundations & organizations donating \$1,000 or more

### Independence

ABC25 / CW7  
Ascension St. Vincent Evansville  
Bullen Trust  
Countrymark Cooperative  
Crescent-Cresline-Wabash Plastics  
Custom Sign & Engineering  
E'ville Iron Street Rod Club  
G.D. Ritz's  
Holiday Management Foundation  
Holiday World & Splashin' Safari  
IBEW Local 16  
James R. & Adelaide H. Duncan Foundation  
JATC  
Koch Foundation  
Kreyling Charitable Foundation  
Lamar Advertising  
Midwest Communications: 93.5 The Lloyd,  
104.1 WIKY, HOT 96 FM, WABX 107.5  
N. & M. Shane Charitable Trust  
NECA  
Shaw Trust  
Townsquare Media: 99.5 WKDQ, 103GBF,  
MY 105.3FM, 106.1 KISS-FM, WGBF-AM  
Vanderburgh Community Foundation

### Empowerment

Anchor Industries  
Bright Lights 5K & 1-Mile Walk  
City of Evansville Endowment Fund  
Higginbotham Trust  
James R & Adelaide H Duncan Fnd  
Heritage Petroleum  
Independent Insurance Agents  
Kenny Kent Chevrolet  
Old National Bank  
RodentPro  
Tools 4 Teaching  
Toyota Motor Manufacturing, In.  
West Side Nut Club

### Opportunity

Berry Global  
Bower-Suhrheinrich Foundation  
D-Patrick Ford  
EPIC Insurance Midwest  
Expressway Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram  
Fifth Third Bank  
Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #73  
FOP-State  
Horseshoe Bend Carriage  
IGA, Houchens North Foods LLC  
Kemper CPA Group  
Kitch & Schreiber  
LemonAid Stand  
McMahon Exterminating  
Reckitt Benckiser Mead Johnson Nutrition  
Shoe Carnival  
Straub Photography  
Teamsters Local Union No. 215  
Thomas & Evelyn Ingle Trust  
Vanderburgh Community Foundation

### Dignity

Acosta Sales & Marketing  
Alcoa Warrick Operations  
Atlas World Group  
Bally's Evansville  
CenterPoint Energy  
Deaconess Women's Hospital  
Edward W. Love Foundation  
El Charro & El Patron  
Frito Lay  
German American Bank  
Greer's Flooring America  
Hall Family Trust  
Harding, Shymanski & Co. P.S.C.  
Jarvis Food Equipment  
Liberty Federal Credit Union  
Ragle, Inc  
St. Benedict Cathedral School  
Sterling Industrial llc  
Sterling United Federal Credit Union  
United Companies, Inc.  
VenuWorks of Evansville  
Winkler, Inc.  
Working Distributors Inc.  
Wright's Refrigeration  
Yeager Charitable Trust

### Ability

911 Gives Hope  
Acclaim Graphics  
Anne Thrasher Boyd State Farm  
Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield  
ARC Construction  
Astound  
Baird  
Bally's Evansville  
Bayer's Plumbing, Inc.  
Bunzl  
BWV Technologies  
Castle High School  
Celanese  
Crossroads Christian Church  
CRS OneSource  
Data Mail  
Deaconess Health System  
Diamond Valley Federal Credit Union  
Donaldson Capital Management, LLC  
Donut Bank  
Easterseals Early Learning Center  
Evansville Federal Credit Union  
Evansville Firefighters Local #357  
GAF  
God's Kids Preschool  
Goodyear Auto Service Raben Tire  
Happe & Sons Construction Inc  
Head's Construction  
Hearing & Speech Associates  
Hermann Family Foundation  
Hillcrest Youth Services  
HR Solutions  
Jasper Engines & Transmissions  
JP Morgan Chase

### Ability (cont.)

Kiwanis Club of Evansville  
Kahn Dees Donovan & Kahn  
Keller Schroeder & Assoc  
Knight Mechanical Inc.  
Legence Bank  
Life Plan Investments  
Morgan Distributing  
Mutual of America  
Newburgh Civitan Club  
Reckitt Benckiser (Mead Johnson)  
Red Spot Paint & Varnish  
River Bend Association  
Riverside Capital Management Group  
Schiff Air Conditioning & Heating  
Schneider Financial  
Schultheis Insurance  
Shepherd Insurance  
South Central Incorporated  
Southwestern IN Bldg. Trades  
Specialty Foods Group, Inc.  
Spurling Properties  
Square Yard Carpet  
St. John the Baptist Catholic School  
Sterling Industrial LLC  
The Home Depot  
Tri-State Medical Alliance  
U-Vet Animal Clinic  
University of Evansville  
Vanderburgh Medical Alliance  
Window World  
Ziemer Stayman Weitzel & Shoulders

*Includes gifts received 9/1/22-8/31/23*

**5,673**  
children and adults  
received services

**44,137**  
therapy sessions provided

**27,444**  
Early care &  
Education days

**31**  
graduates  
from the Early  
Learning  
Center

**445**  
students who learned  
about Easterseals  
through HOP



# Telethon

Thanks to ABC25/CW7, the 2023 Easterseals Telethon reached viewers across the Tri-State on Friday, April 14. It was the 46th consecutive year the stations donated 100% of production and air time for the show, allowing all proceeds to fund inclusive early education and essential therapy services. The “final tote” of \$936,339 reflected a full year of generous community support!

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**12,560**  
cars drove  
through Ritzy's  
Fantasy of Lights



**487**  
driving sessions  
provided by  
Assistive  
Technology  
Services



**341**  
individuals  
participated in  
mental health  
trainings



**5,191**  
organizational  
employment  
days



**148**  
clients assisted  
through the  
housing  
modification  
program



**712**  
First Steps  
clients  
(ages birth -  
3 years old)



# Tribute

Lloyd Winnecke, Mayor of the City of Evansville, was honored with the Community Impact Award at Easterseals Tribute on June 14. Lloyd has been an unwavering supporter of Easterseals for decades. As Mayor, he has encouraged collaboration between government, businesses, and nonprofits to meet essential needs, empowering individuals of all abilities to thrive in our community.

## Independence

Mike & Carol Hull  
Leonard Keller  
Wayne & Beth Kinney  
Rechnic Fund for Psychology Services  
John C. & Diane Schroeder  
Hank & Teri Zunk

## Empowerment

Anonymous  
Charmie Guagenti  
Lezlie Simmons

## Opportunity

Dr. Chris Chacko  
Joe & Betty Elpers  
Susan Fuller  
Josh & Katy Gilberg  
Cindy Heseman  
David & Darlene Robinson  
Tim & Jan Swickard

## Dignity

Anonymous  
Bob & Patty Balbach  
Drs. Jack Deppe & Shari Barrett  
Alan & Sharon Braun  
Mike & Laura David  
Butch & Linda Feulner  
Leigh Gallian  
Jim & Connie Gries  
Leslie & Colleen Kiesel  
Kyle & Abby Markle  
Sara J. Miller  
Mitsos Foundation  
Jim & Mary Kay Muehlbauer  
Bill & Tracy Norman  
Joe & Leah Parker  
James & Diana Riddle  
Jim & Becky Sandgren  
Jerry & Beth Schilling  
Brad & Kelly Schneider

## Ability

Anonymous  
Amy & Randy Abbott  
Gene & Linda Aimone  
Dr. Terry & Jean Alvey  
Harriet Anderson  
Kyle & Ashley Babcock  
Josh & Amy Barron  
Randy & Linda Becker  
Jeff & Maureen Bell  
Bengert Family Giving  
Maurice & Cherie Berendes  
Joe & Donna Beuligmann

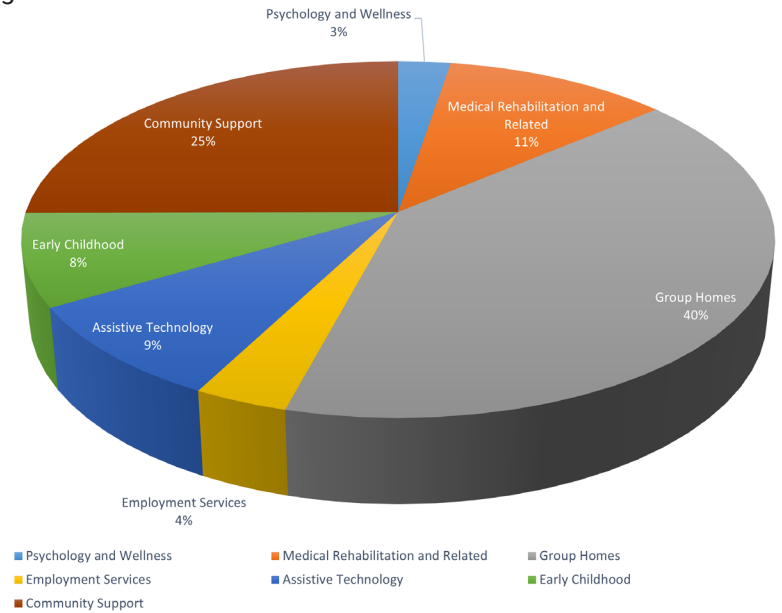
Rick Bonenberger  
Dean & Karen Bosler  
Anne & Brad Boyd  
Al & Cathy Bragin  
Tim & Sharon Bray  
Bob & Jennifer Bromm  
Ryan & Julie Burczyk  
Mary Ann Campbell  
Dr. Rebecca & Paul Carey  
Nathan & Alexandria Cobine  
Ed Cooper  
Karen Daniel  
George & Davena Day  
Donna Decker  
Roger & Kristine Deig  
Larry Downs & Suzanne Crouch  
Dr. Mike & Judy Dukes  
Trent & Kim Engbers  
JP & Alli Engelbrecht  
Melissa Fehsenfeld  
Jeff & Lisa Fisher  
Sandy Ford  
Jim & Mollie Francis  
Justin Fritch  
Elizabeth Goeltz  
Jon & Martha Goldman  
Nick & Michele Graham  
Paul Green  
Rodgers & Daniele Greenawalt  
Chad & Katie Grunow  
Tony & Jill Hall  
John & Donna Hamilton  
Brian & Karli Hape  
Dan & Pamela Harding  
Hermann Family Foundation  
Bob & Amy Hirsch  
Charles & Diane Hirsch  
Randy Hobson  
Chris & Andrea Imes  
Gil & Marcia Jochem  
Brent & Sandy Junge  
Doug & Debbie Kanet  
Angela Kares  
Brant & Stephanie Kennedy  
Burt & Madeline King  
Jeff & Lindsey Kinney  
Randy & Donna Kissel  
Bob & Cynthia Koch  
Dr. Spencer & Sarah Kuper  
Daniel & Katie Lappe  
Daniel Linthicum  
Donna Lounsbery  
Brian & Anna Luigs  
Dennis & Colleen Martin  
Brad & Lisa Mathis  
Marion & Ruby McDowell

Charlie & Lora McMahon  
Eugene McNabb  
Eric & Sara L. Miller  
Pete & Carrie Mogavero  
Brad & Lynn Muehlbauer  
Glen & Ann Muehlbauer  
Bob & Janet Naas  
Marilyn O'Daniel  
Kathy Padgett  
David & Karla Papariella  
Denny & Cassie Quinn  
John & Jill Raisor  
Ray & Janet Raisor  
Chris & Emily Reidford  
Matt & Randi Rice  
Ruth Richmond  
James & Diane Riddle  
Greg & Jamie Risch  
Ron & Connie Romain  
Rick & Laura Roop  
Todd & Shenae Rowe  
Gary & Barbara Russell  
Jeff Schimmel  
Rusty & Melissa Schimmell  
Mike & Laurie Schopmeyer  
Richard & Patrice Schroeder  
Scott & Leigh Schroeder  
Susan Schultheis  
Joann Schwentker  
Dr. Richard & Laurie Seals  
Scott & Susan Shrode  
Larry Simon  
Tim & Amy Spurling  
Jeff & Amy Spurlock  
Stacy Stevens  
Jackie & Lisa Stinson-Smith  
Tom & Diane Stone  
Spencer & Paige Tanner  
Jerry & Laura Terhune  
Matt & Diane Theby  
Jim & Becky Tilley  
David & Sara Trockman  
Jeff & Nancy Trockman  
Darren & Lisa Verkamp  
James & Janice Ware  
Tom & Julie Welden  
Linda White  
Brian & Barbara Williams  
Jeff & Laurie Wilmes  
John R. Wilson  
Kyle Wininger  
Deanna Wollard  
Drs. Bill & Mona Wooten  
Betty Worthington

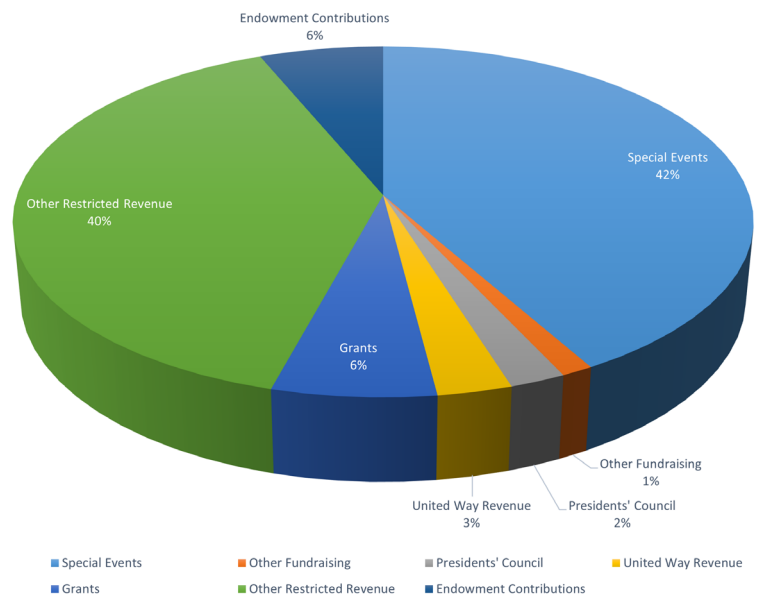
The Easterseals Rehabilitation Center is an indispensable resource for more than 5,600 area children, adults, and families affected by disability. We see the whole person, and we strive to provide the highest quality services, empowering each individual to achieve their goals and dreams.

- **Therapeutic Evaluations and Services for all ages**
  - Physical therapy & orthotics
  - Occupational therapy
  - Speech/Language therapy
  - Audiology
- **First Steps Provider for children under 3**
  - Physical therapy
  - Occupational therapy
  - Speech/Language therapy
  - Audiology
  - Developmental therapy
- **Psychology testing & counseling**
- **Mental Health Community Outreach**
  - Support Groups (Bipolar Disorder & Suicide Grief)
  - Mental Health Training Programs (QPR & Mental Health First Aid)
  - Resource Connection
- **Early Care & Education and Preschool for children of all abilities at the Easterseals Early Learning Center**
- **Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC)**
- **Warm Water Aquatics**
  - Aquatic therapy
  - Aquatic exercise & fitness classes
  - Swim lessons
- **Assistive Technology Services**
  - Wheelchairs and custom mobility devices (power & manual)
  - Drivers Rehabilitation
  - Home, school & work site adaptations
  - Custom equipment modifications
  - Portable and stationary aluminum ramps
- **Employment Services**
  - Horizon Industries (organizational employment)
  - Community Employment services & supports
- **Residential Support**
  - Group Homes
  - ASPIRE adult day services

**COMBINED REVENUE  
FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023  
\$18,031,000**



**COMMUNITY SUPPORT  
Fiscal Year 2022-2023  
\$4,516,000**



**21,493**  
Group Home days supported

**11,674**  
Number of Adult Day Service days provided

## Thank you to our 2023 Ambassadors!

### Waylon Jackson (Boonville, IN)



Five-year-old Waylon Jackson has already faced more challenges than most of us do in a lifetime. He was born almost 10 weeks early weighing just 3 pounds, 11 ounces and spent nine months in the NICU. Now, Waylon is achieving milestones that once

seemed unreachable!

“Waylon is making amazing progress,” said his mom, Amanda. “And we love that we are able to meet all his needs in one place – Easterseals!”

With Easterseals therapies, Waylon is taking important steps toward independence, like learning to write, climbing stairs, riding a “big boy bike,” and something that has been a goal since he was a year old—eating table food!

For years, Waylon relied on sign language and a communication device to share his thoughts, feelings, wants, and needs—but now he is talking! A lot! “I love that he is talking to new friends at school and they are understanding him!” Amanda said. “He can answer his teacher’s questions and she understands him, and he is able to sing songs in music class and at home with his sister Aubrey!” ●

### Michelle Schmitt (Evansville, IN)



Michelle Schmitt’s life changed in a single moment. In August of 2015, an ATV accident injured her spinal cord. Michelle could no longer walk or accomplish everyday activities that most of us take for granted. She was determined to

regain her independence. That journey began when she found Easterseals.

Working with her Easterseals physical therapist, Michelle made huge gains in strength and balance and returned to her full-time job at Old National Bank. She can now walk for up to 45 minutes using a walker! She can stand independently to accomplish household tasks like cooking, washing dishes, and doing laundry.

One of Michelle’s major goals is walking up and down stairs! She is currently tackling two flights of stairs with assistance from her therapist and Michelle says she’s just getting started!

Michelle also makes time to give back to Easterseals. Not only is she the current Adult Ambassador, she also serves on the Board of Directors, providing leadership and support to the organization that means so much to her. ●

## Our Mission

The Easterseals Rehabilitation Center’s mission is to make profound, positive differences in the lives of local people with disabilities every day, and to change the way our community defines and views disability.

**GIVE, VOLUNTEER, AND SHARE THE MISSION!**

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