



THE OPPORTUNITY GUIDE 2023-24





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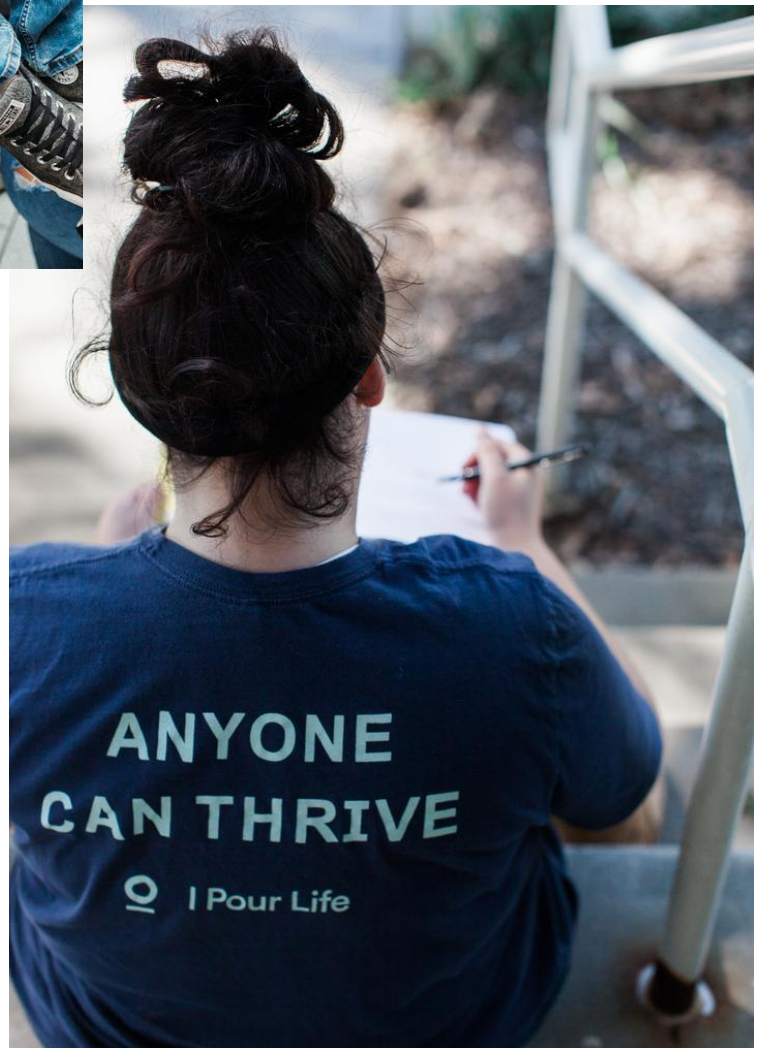


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WHO WE ARE

We believe anyone can thrive. Yet without the right opportunities and influence, many stop believing in themselves. We teach individuals with social and economic disadvantages how to identify and apply their unique strengths.

Our Mission

I Pour Life is a non-profit organization whose mission is to assist at-risk or foster care youth through its positive youth development programs, LifeStrengths and Social Capital Club, by helping youth identify and apply their unique strengths in order to experience a successful, self-sufficient transition into adulthood.

Our Vision

I Pour Life's vision is to ensure every youth served experiences positive growth and development through the introduction of life skills and builds the social capital necessary to successfully transition into adulthood.

CORINA'S JOURNEY AT I POUR LIFE

When Corina first got involved with I Pour Life in 2019, she was hesitant to trust her LifeCoach. She chose to give I Pour Life and her LifeCoach a chance despite a series of transitions and a global pandemic. Corina remained persistent and grew from her experiences in the LifeStrengths positive youth development program.



"I finally completed the [LifeStrengths] workbook," Corina says. "What a relief! It gave me a sense of accomplishment and renewed hope, knowing I now had the tools to tackle life's challenges. Throughout the program, I've learned so much – showing up, trusting my perspective, setting boundaries, handling triggers, and realizing that everyone has their own battles."

While the journey isn't always linear, Corina knows when you work toward your goals, the payoff is significant.

"The growth that has taken place within me has not been overnight or a complete 180. It's taken years of feeling, reflecting, and moving on to get me where I am today, and I am not done. Having a community where I know I am welcomed has helped me IMMENSELY. I'm in I Pour Life today because I want to be here. Wanting to be here has given me purpose. Having purpose has helped me stay on track."

Today, Corina volunteers at I Pour Life's Social Capital Club, helping with events and connecting with youth in the LifeStrengths program. "It's such an amazing feeling to know that something as simple as a vision can help start the catalyst into something so much bigger!"

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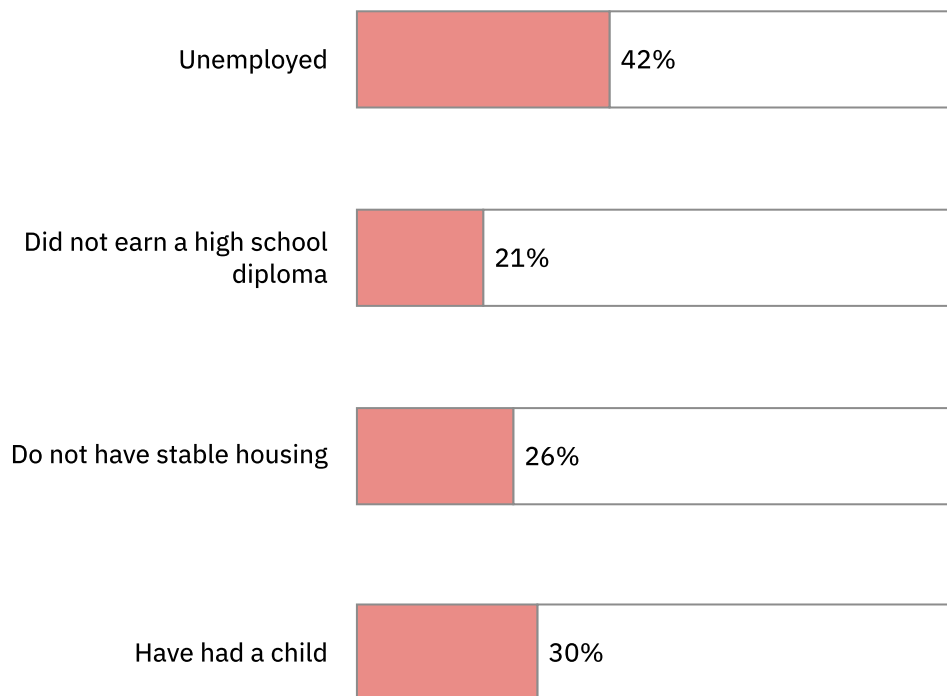
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CHALLENGES YOUTH FACE

At-risk and foster care youth face a form of social and economic disadvantage that drastically increases their risk of unemployment, school dropout, homelessness, unplanned pregnancies, and even incarceration. But we believe there is a form of positive development training that can avoid these risks altogether.

Of young adults age 21 who have aged out of the foster care system:

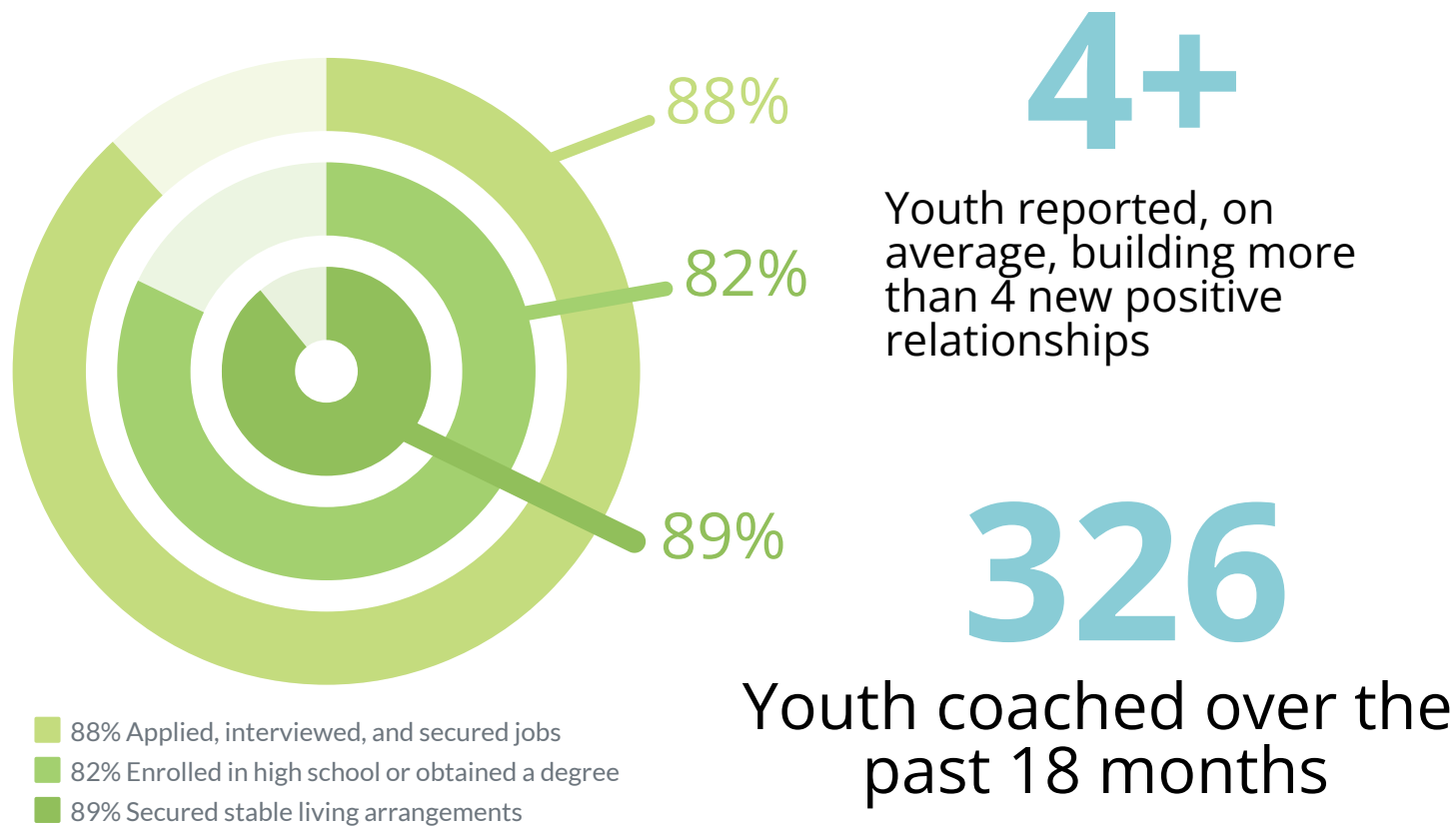


I Pour Life believes that every at-risk or foster care youth deserves the opportunity to learn critical life skills and build social capital within their community, just like we all depend on for a better future.

Our evidence-based **LifeStrengths** positive youth development program begins by helping our youth (ages 16 - 24) evaluate their inherent inner self through Life Lessons, developing our youths' external self through Life Skills, and build their interdependent network with their community through the **Social Capital Club**.

I POUR LIFE'S IMPACT

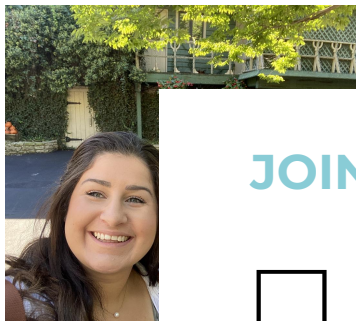
Since the creation of I Pour Life's foundational program, LifeStrengths, in 2016, it has walked alongside over 900 youth helping them cultivate life skills and build social capital for a better tomorrow. Just in the past 18 months, I Pour Life has seen:



MONTHLY GIVING

Become a part of The Neighborhood, I Pour Life's community of monthly donors who are passionate about I Pour Life's mission.

Monthly donations of any amount go a long way to help youth thrive, but here are some important areas your monthly giving will fund. ***You can change a life with your monthly donation!***



JOIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

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\$250 per month will provide the complete LifeStrengths program for one youth per year.

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\$100 per month will support the weekly one-on-one sessions each youth has with his or her LifeCoach.

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\$75 will provide a youth with the LifeStrengths curriculum he or she needs to participate in the program.

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\$25 will provide ONE, one-on-one in person-monthly meeting between youth and his or her LifeCoach.



the neighborhood
I Pour Life™

TAX CREDITS

70% Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) Tax Credit

Business owners who make a cumulative donation to I Pour Life of \$1,000 or more within a calendar year may qualify for a 70% NAP Tax Credit.

50% Youth Opportunity Program (YOP) Tax Credit

Taxpayers who do not earn business revenue can still qualify for a 50% YOP Tax Credit when they make cumulative donations to I Pour Life of \$500 or more within a calendar year.

The tax-deductible portion of all sponsorship and underwriting opportunities referenced on the following pages will also qualify for one of our state tax credit offerings.

STOCK GIFTS

Stock donations are not only tax-deductible, but also qualify for one of our tax credit offerings. Donating appreciated stock has added tax benefits, because taxpayers do not pay capital gains tax on the appreciated amount when donating the stocks directly to I Pour Life.*

Stock gifts may be used as payment for all of the I Pour Life sponsorship and underwriting opportunities.



Contact Heather Neubauer at (417) 771-1150 or heather.neubauer@ipourlife.org for tax information and brokerage account information to make your stock gift to I Pour Life.

**I Pour Life does not provide financial, tax, or legal advice. Please contact your CPA or tax professional to discuss your specific tax situation.*

LEGACY GIVING

Legacy giving ensures your family legacy contributes to sustainable, positive growth and development for at-risk and foster youth in our community. Your legacy gift enables the youth served by I Pour Life to break generational chains of poverty, abuse/neglect, and other at-risk environments to establish their own legacy.

Charitable Bequests:

Remembering I Pour Life in your testamentary trust or will allows your legacy to continue, creating a lasting impact in the community, like breaking systemic poverty, providing socioeconomic opportunity, moving from a place of resource deficiency to self-sufficiency.

Complete the planned giving pledge by contacting legacygiving@ipourlife.org.

Donating IRA Required Minimum Distribution:

If you have a required minimum distribution (RMD) on your own account or an inherited account, donating to I Pour Life is a helpful way to make a lasting impact in the lives of at-risk youth.

Your required withdrawal (RMD) will be included in your taxable income and cannot be rolled into other tax-deferred accounts. However, donating your RMD is a qualified charitable distribution (QCD). Up to \$100,000 can be donated to I Pour Life as a QCD and is no longer taxable income.* Tax benefits aside, earmarking this income for charity is a great way to begin or expand your giving portfolio to support I Pour Life.

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1 IN 4

An average of **1 out of every 4** youth in foster care will **experience homeless** within **4 years** of aging out of foster care.

YOUTH EVENTS

Youth in foster care, judicial systems, or living in extreme poverty have not experienced the security of a loving family and community support we consider a “normal” part of life. I Pour Life youth events are opportunities of “normalization” for the youth we serve because they are designed to provide a safe environment for youth to experience family and community.

We host a wide range of youth events to address varied needs from building initial trust, bolstering the lessons learned through the program, and celebrating important milestones.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Businesses, schools, charities, and religious groups form the heart of every community. Within these groups are individuals who drive the community forward and help drive our youth to find success.

We are always looking for members of the community to volunteer to speak at our Social Capital Club meetings, host Social Capital Club dinners, sponsor special events throughout the year, and provide general operational support.

I Pour Life is most successful when the relationships it builds with donors, volunteers, staff, and board members also include the groups and organizations they are part of outside the nonprofit.

To learn more, please contact us at 417-755-7039 or email us at info@ipourlife.org.

SOCIAL CAPITAL CLUB

Social Capital Club:

Hosted monthly, volunteers welcome

The Social Capital Club serves as an avenue for our youth to bond to their peers, bridge new relationships, and link to community influencers to build their personal and professional networks.

Designed to offer specific guidance on subjects covered in the LifeStrengths program curriculum, the Social Capital Club allows any youth in need to put those skills to use in a safe environment.

Through peer-to-peer friendships, socializing with volunteer community advocates, and building a network of professional influences, our youth have the opportunity to build several positive relationships and achieve *interdependence* within their communities.



Social Capital Club (SCC) Special Events: *Volunteers welcome*

SCC Special Events are festive gatherings where we celebrate our youth and the important milestones in their lives — and EVERYONE is invited!

Underwriting Opportunities* for SCC Special Events:

Grad Party (May 2024): \$5,000
Backyard Bash (Aug. 2024): \$7,500
Christmas Party (Dec. 2024): \$5,000

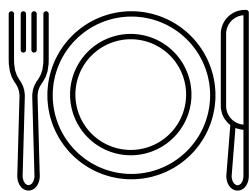
**Each underwriting opportunity includes a gift of recognition or accomplishment for each youth.*

FAMILY DINNERS

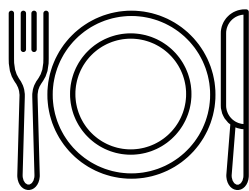
Hosted three times per year, Family Dinners are fun, relaxed gatherings where LifeStrengths youth get to experience I Pour Life's alumni from past years. Family Dinners are open to supporters of I Pour Life and we are always looking for 15-20 volunteers per dinner.



Underwriting Opportunities for Family Dinners



One Year of
Family Dinners:
\$7,500



Individual Family
Dinner: \$2,500

SUMMER FIELD TRIPS

During the summer, I Pour Life hosts two Summer Field Trips for our youth. Each excursion is an opportunity to experience something new, build healthy relationships with one another, and to just have some fun being a kid!

Underwriting Opportunities for Summer Field Trips:

One Summer Field Trip: \$1,500
Two Summer Field Trips: \$3,000

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Giving Tuesday and Season of Giving Year-End Campaign

Nonprofits around the world participate in Giving Tuesday, inviting their constituents to give generously. Everyone has something to give and every act of generosity counts.

I Pour Life kicks off our Season of Giving Campaign on Giving Tuesday and creates opportunities for donors to support our positive youth development program. The Season of Giving Campaign continues until the last stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve!



Christmas Soirée – December 2023 – The Barley House at Moon River Crossing

Christmas Soirée is one of I Pour Life's elegant fundraising events where we invite donors to partake in a delicious meal while enjoying beautiful holiday music performed by incredibly talented vocalists and musicians. Christmas Soirée crescendos into a celebration of youths' positive growth as a result of participating in I Pour Life's programs.

Sponsorship Opportunities for Christmas Soirée

- Soirée Sponsor: \$15,000
- Yuletide Sponsor: \$10,000
- Joyeux Noel Sponsor: \$5,000

Goodwood Homecoming – May 2024 – The Riverside Bridge at Finley Farms

Our annual Goodwood galas are one of I Pour Life's gold-standard fundraising events as we travel through history. The Goodwood theme for 2024 is Goodwood Homecoming.

Donors will enjoy a sumptuous meal and celebrate the milestones youth in I Pour Life's programs have reached. Goodwood events provide a high level of visibility and brand exposure for sponsors.

Goodwood After Party: Riverside Lawn at Finley Farms

The support of our LifeStrengths' youth...*and the fun*, keeps going at the Goodwood After Party! Donors will enjoy hors d'oeuvres and live music under the stars!

Sponsorship Opportunities for Goodwood Homecoming and Goodwood After Party:

- Presenting Homecoming Sponsorship: \$30,000
- Sponsorships: \$20,000; \$10,000; \$7,500; \$5,000; \$2,500



Nurture. Thrive. Repeat. ♥



Nurture. Thrive. Repeat. – May 2024

Working within foster care is a true calling, and we acknowledge the challenges and joys that come with serving in this field. Nurture. Thrive. Repeat. is an event for foster and adoptive parents, affiliated agencies, and caseworkers.

During National Foster Care Awareness Month in May, guests will get to enjoy a meal, learn from a keynote speaker, and connect with others who have served within the foster care system. Table sponsorships with recognition are available.

Sponsorship Opportunities for Nurture. Thrive. Repeat.

- Nurture Sponsor: \$7,500
- Thrive Sponsor: \$5,000
- Repeat Sponsor: \$2,500
- Table Host: \$750

Drive FORE! Youth Golf Championship – August 2024

Golfers enjoy a day out on the course at our annual Drive FORE! Youth Championship, knowing their support makes an impact in our positive youth development program for older at-risk youth. Increase your brand exposure when you become a sponsor. Most sponsorships include team registrations.

Sponsorship Opportunities for Drive FORE! Youth Golf Championship*:

- Drive FORE! Youth Title Sponsor: \$15,000
- LifeStrengths Sponsor (Holes 1-9): \$7,500
- Social Capital Sponsor (Holes 10-18): \$7,500
- Mission Sponsor: \$5,000
- Vision Sponsor (Player Gift): \$5,000
- Teach With Your Life Sponsor (Raffle Prize): \$5,000
- Hand Up (Not a Handout) Sponsor (Beverage Cart): \$2,500
- Neighborhood Sponsor (Hole Sponsor): \$2,000

*Individual Hole and Contest Sponsorship opportunities available upon request.



➤ Contact Heather Neubauer at (417) 771-1150 or heather.neubauer@ipourlife.org to become a sponsor.

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS

We appreciate the support of our generous partners. Here's what two of our partners say about I Pour Life.



"We support I Pour Life simply because they pick up the baton when foster care ends and help those **young adults cross the finish line** and become a person who can make valuable contributions to society." — Jan Britton, DMP

OMG COMMERCE

"We love the hand-up approach of I Pour Life. Knowing that I Pour Life is coaching, training, and equipping marginalized youth to become productive and self-sufficient here in Springfield and across Missouri is really exciting for us. **This is the kind of work that will positively impact our communities for generations to come.** It ties into our mission as a company of helping our clients and team members grow and level up. We're thrilled to be an I Pour Life Partner."

— OMG Commerce Team



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