

## Right Steps' Year in Review

## We are extremely grateful for your support throughout the year!

- Right Steps Child Development Centers officially assumed management of Growing Patch Learning Center (GPLC) to provide early learning and care to children in Remington, Indiana.
- Right Steps Child Care Resource & Referal Division, The Child Care Resource Network, expanded their services from 12 counties to 27 counties.
- Right Steps was awarded a \$150,000 grant from Early Learning Indiana's Child Care Deserts Competition with support from Lilly Endowment Inc. to assist with the costs of opening three new centers in Tippecanoe (Downtown Lafayette), Newton (Goodland), and Fountain (Attica) counties.
- Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, over 100 Right Steps employees attended a professional development day to gain knowledge and tools that were implemented at the centers.
- With the help of the amazing staff at Right Steps and The Child Care Resource Network, we committed to staying open and providing the community with child care options as COVID-19 affected our communities.
- Right Steps received an award of \$130,000 from Early Learning Indiana as part of the \$15 million Come Back Stronger Fund, supported by Lilly Endowment, to reinforce Indiana's supply of high-quality early learning opportunities, especially for the state's most vulnerable children.
- Lafayette Rotary Club hosted its 3rd Annual Ice Cream Crawl and collectively raised over \$16,000 for Tippecanoe County Imagination Library. The funds were used to help purchase books for 4,076 children enrolled in the program.
- Through the support and financial commitment from Newton County residents, leaders, and businesses, Right Steps opened a new early learning and child care center in Goodland, Indiana.
- Through several grants and donations, Right Steps was able to purchase:
  - playground equipment for the new center
  - classroom furniture for the new and existing centers
  - classroom learning materials
  - IT equipment updates
  - COVID-19 related needs, such as health- and safety-related materials and supplies, staffing, cleaning services, additional furniture to support social distancing, and other needs.
  - And provide sustainability and growth to Tippecanoe County Imagination Library.



Increased center capacity by 98 slots to serve a minimum of

405 children in 2020.



4,041 children in 2020.

## All of this wouldn't have been possible without **YOU**

- our parents/guardians, staff, educators, donors, advocates, volunteers, and supporters.

Want to help Right Steps better serve children and families in our community in 2021? *Make a tax-deductible donation to help as we continue to make a difference!* 

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