



# BEST POINT

EDUCATION & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

# IMPACT REPORT

2021 - 2022

ST. ALOYSIUS

THE CHILDREN'S HOME  
EDUCATION & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

BEST TOGETHER

**16,645**  
INDIVIDUALS SERVED

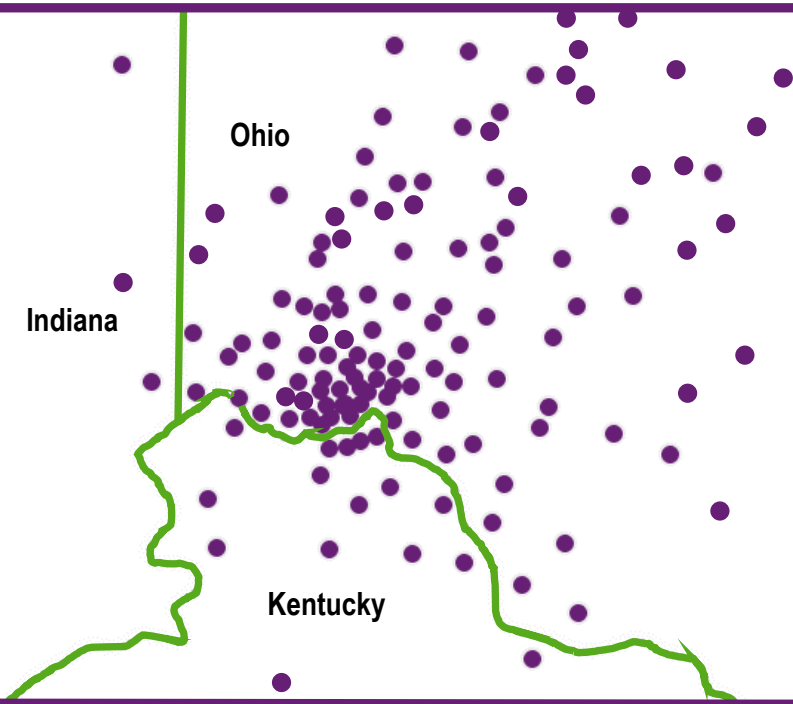
**39%**  
Individuals Served on our Campuses



**61%**  
Individuals Served in the Community

**30+**  
Programs Offered

**184,000+**  
Services Provided



- 3** States
- 313** Neighborhoods
- 139** Zip Codes
- 336** Schools Where Children Attend
- 83** Partner Schools
- 3** Health Centers
- 5** Best Point Campuses
- 5** After School Locations

# CELEBRATING INNOVATION

This year Best Point implemented several innovations that have added significant value to our mission and are meeting the ever-changing needs of the families we serve.



## BEST TOGETHER

On February 21, 2022, The Children's Home and St. Aloysius announced the coming together of the two organizations, merging teams and resources to form Greater Cincinnati's longest-serving behavioral health organization for children and families. We are stronger together, and together we will serve more children and families, and achieve more positive outcomes, than ever before.

## COSTARS WESTWOOD EARLY EDUCATION CENTER

On December 21, 2021, Best Point assumed responsibilities for St. James Child Development Center, which has been serving the West Side community for more than 50 years. This merger demonstrates the commitment of both organizations in ensuring our young children and families have access to the best early learning experiences available. CoStars Westwood served 84 young people this year, with 84% of children ages 3-5 years being on target in their social emotional development.



## MENTAL HEALTH URGENT CARE

Best Point's new pediatric mental health urgent care program began offering services in late summer 2021. This unique program helps families through crisis situations. During this first year, 235 children and their families were served. The urgent care clinic is open Monday through Friday from 3-10 pm, when the only other alternative is the hospital emergency department. We're grateful for the support of L&L Nippert Charitable Foundation, Spaulding Foundation, and CareSource.



## GENOA PHARMACY

In December 2021, we created space at our Duck Creek Office Building to house Genoa Pharmacy. Having a pharmacy available for clients visiting our Medical Management Services and the Levine Family Health Center has been a game changer. Families stop in after their appointment and arrange for their prescriptions to be mailed to their home.



## CINCINNATI ARTS & TECHNOLOGY CENTER

CATS, which merged with Best Point in 2020, conducted pilot programming during the 2021-2022 school year serving 234 students. Art was created using the theme, I, Too, Sing America, based on the poem by Langston Hughes written during the Harlem Renaissance. CATS helps students earn fine arts and elective credits so they can graduate from high school on time and build skills to succeed in life.



# OUR IMPACT

It is estimated that more than two thirds of children report experiencing a traumatic event by age 16. Experiences in childhood, both positive and negative, have a significant effect on developmental trajectories and subsequent physical, mental, and behavioral health. Our organization leads children and families to the best point in their lives and offers a single, best point for transformational services to our community's most vulnerable populations.

**88%**  
of children in our care experienced one or more trauma in their life

- 48% had a family member who was depressed or mentally ill for a long time.
- 45% had a family member or someone very close to them who died unexpectedly.
- 43% were completely separated from their parent(s) for a long time; in foster care, living far apart, or never seeing the parent again.
- 42% had a family member who was put in jail, or prison, or taken away by the police.
- 37% were threatened or harassed by a bully (someone outside of his/her family).



**91%** of children in our Early Development and School Readiness programs improved their social emotional skills.



**89%** of clients treated in our Pediatric Urgent Care program were diverted from visiting the hospital emergency department.



**95%** of high school seniors (19 of 20) earned the credits necessary for graduation.



**97%** of all parents were satisfied with the services their family received.

# OUR LASTING RESULTS

It is well documented that our clients make significant improvement when they are with us. Our 12-month longitudinal study, started in 2009, shows that not only do clients sustain those gains, they continue to improve.



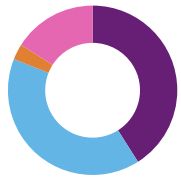
**78%**  
of children had fewer difficulties in their life 12 months after completing services; and the difficulties had less of an impact on their daily living

**92%** in school, in job training, or employed

**86%** making passing grades in school

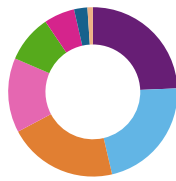
**92%** with no involvement in the criminal justice system

# OUR CLIENTS



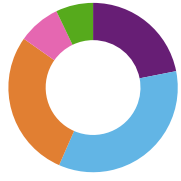
**RACE**

Black/Multiracial	40%
White	40%
Other	3%
Not Reported	17%



**MENTAL HEALTH DIAGNOSES & EDUCATIONAL DISABILITIES**

Mood Disorder	23%
ADD/ADHD	22%
Trauma & Stressor Disorders	20%
Anxiety Disorder	16%
Oppositional Defiant/Conduct	8%
Defiant/Adjustment Disorders	5%
Unknown/No Dx	2%
Autism Spectrum	1%



**AGE**

0-5 Years	27%
6-12 Years	34%
13-18 Years	27%
19-21 Years	3%
22+ Years	9%



**POVERTY**

Live At or Below Poverty Level	74%
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# OUR PARTNERSHIPS

Without our school and community partners we could not achieve our mission of creating lasting results that strengthen families and our community by guiding individuals – from infancy to independence – through comprehensive education, behavioral, and health services.



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