



Blessing House God's Project of Hope

Children's Crisis Care Center

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To the Community Connectors Grant Committee:

We would like to encourage your support for the program that is being proposed by Lisa Bramhall as a representative for the organization, Save Our Children in collaboration with Elyria High School, Effective Leadership Academy and Nordson Corporation. Lisa was a member of our founding board of directors and was active for 10 years as a board member and chairperson of our major fundraiser, the Rock-a-Bye Ball.

Lisa has always had a passion for working with children who are at a disadvantage because of family and environmental circumstances. She is empathetic to their concerns and has devoted countless hours to supporting organizations that help them and their families. She recently took on the responsibilities of Executive Director of Save Our Children to help support the children in Elyria who are seeking academic assistance and guidance. Lisa is a person of action who thinks creatively and collaboratively and enjoys the challenge of new projects. She is a leader and a motivator and knows how to make things happen.

The partners in this project are all invested in the Elyria community. They have experienced success in the past and are looking to build on this success by using the knowledge gained from their experiences to meet a gap in the services offered to teens in our community. We believe their passion for their mission will help them succeed in the pursuit of their goals.

Our community has not recovered from its economic struggles. Families are dealing with housing issues, mental and physical health issues, transportation problems and educational deficiencies. More and more families are finding themselves dealing with the issues of poverty that make it so difficult to find stabilization. We need to find more ways to support our youth so that they can have the tools they need to grow and to gain the confidence and knowledge they need to reach their full potential.

We encourage your support of the Pay it Forward Teen Mentor Project.

Sincerely,

Sr. Mary Berigan
Director