



# DAY SPRING IMPACT REPORT



2024

**CELEBRATING  
30 YEARS!**

# A Word From Our CEO



In 2024, Day Spring celebrated 30 years of service to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. For three decades, Day Spring has been a beacon of hope to families in Louisville and the surrounding areas. From humble beginnings, we have fostered the flame of our founding families' dream and are impacting more lives.

The driving force of our vision is rooted in cultivating Hope, Belonging, and Community. Day Spring is proud to have expanded the College for Living, a one-of-a-kind, semi-independent program geared towards bridging the gap for young adults with intellectual disabilities. Our growing commuter program means we can reach more students and families! With the completion of the Day Spring Learning Center, our vision is to see dynamic impact and outreach opportunities in 2025.

In 2024-2025, our fundraising income must increase so that we may meet the needs of our community. Please help us reach our \$500,000 goal! We have the dedication to fulfill our mission and have the faith to believe you will invest in our future. To our donors and friends, you are deeply appreciated!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lauren Hays". The signature is fluid and cursive.

-Lauren Hays,  
Chief Executive Officer

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# Unveiling our Mission Statement



We are excited to announce that Day Spring has updated its mission statement to better reflect our growth and the diverse range of services we now offer. When Day Spring was founded, our primary focus was on providing residential services. However, over the past 30 years, we have expanded our offerings to include innovative programs like the College for Living program, the Family Home Provider program, and Arts and Wellness.

As our organization has evolved, so too has our vision for the future. We realized that our previous mission statement no longer fully captured the breadth of our work or the spirit of our community. We believe this new mission statement fully encompasses what we do, the services we provide, and the vision we have for our community!

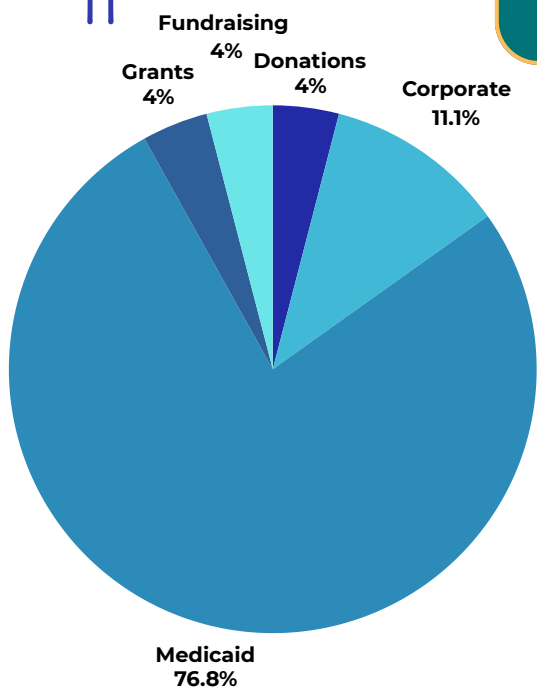
## OUR MISSION:

**Day Spring provides a path forward for adults with intellectual & developmental disabilities through services that cultivate hope, belonging, & community.**

## OUR VISION:

We envision every person being valued & having a path forward regardless of ability.

## FY23 AUDITED FINANCIALS



**Year End Revenue:  
\$5,091,759**

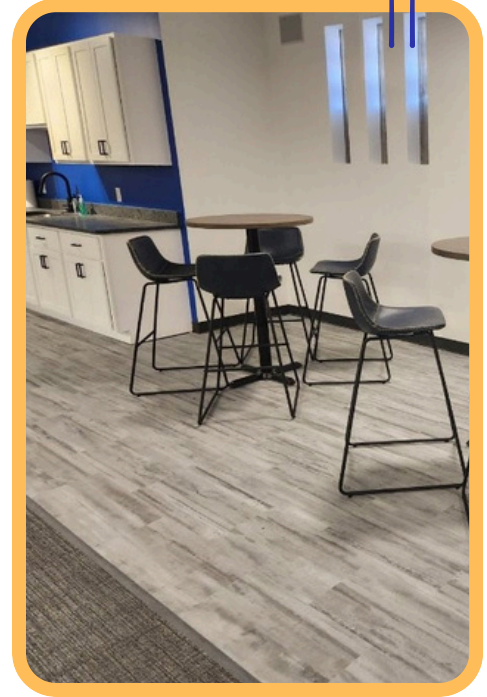


# The Day Spring Learning Center

The Day Spring Learning Center is nearly finished, and we are eager to experience the impact of this investment. The 3,200 square feet of corporate meeting space, featuring top of the line audio visual capabilities, accessible restrooms and kitchenette, can accommodate up to 100 people! This space has been instrumental to the success of our growing College for Living program, resident events, and staff training.

The final stretch of completion will feature the addition of 21 parking spaces to ensure our Learning Center is fully accessible by January 2025. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Louisville Paving for their generous partnership and contribution to the installation of a parking lot. Without partners like Louisville Paving, this project would not have come to fruition.

The Day Spring Learning Center will also serve as a vital tool for community outreach. We are eager to invite businesses, organizations, and clubs from across the metro Louisville area to reserve the space starting in January 2025! By creating meaningful partnerships, we hope to further extend and enhance the impact of our mission. Scan the code to stay connected and up-to-date on reservation availability!



For booking info email:  
[info@dayspringky.org](mailto:info@dayspringky.org)



# The College for Living

## BOLD FUTURES START HERE

The newest Day Spring program, College for Living, has made remarkable strides over the past year. The transformation of the downstairs storage area into a new Learning Center has enabled the program to hold classes in a true classroom setting, host a preview day to attract new students, and celebrate our first student graduation. This additional space has come at a pivotal time, coinciding with the expansion of our Commuter Program. We welcomed six new students this year, one of whom has recently moved into an open residential spot. At the end of this semester, we will also proudly see our second graduate embark on his journey of living independently in the Louisville community—an inspiring testament to College for Living’s mission and model. The program is now accepting applications from students eager to gain the skills and independence needed to one day achieve their dream of living on their own.

We would like to extend a special thanks to our collaborative partners: Pitt Academy, Bluegrass Center for Autism, and FEAT of Louisville, as well as to the Cralle Foundation for funding our program's expansion.



“The transition of Daniel moving to CFL was quite an adjustment for both parents and the student. I knew that Daniel would be in a safe, nurturing environment at CFL and receive the support, education, and life skills that would help him gain independence. CFL made such a positive impact on my sons' life.”

-Lois Hart, Mother to Daniel



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# Hope, Belonging, & Community

At Day Spring, we believe that a joyful and fulfilling life begins at home. To achieve a life that transcends happiness, it starts with the essentials: a home. Day Spring offers diverse residential settings to ensure that our residents have options that fit their lifestyles, recognizing that the power of choice has a positive and lasting impact.

Our residential community features 3-person homes, 8-person homes, and a 19-unit apartment building with communal areas, each fostering its own unique culture and familial atmosphere. Additionally, our Family Home Provider program immerses residents in a family environment, ideal for those who need more direct care or thrive without housemates. Our services are always person-centered, focusing on each individual's unique needs.

Beyond creating a home and ensuring security, we also emphasize love and belonging. Our community fosters meaningful relationships and sparks happiness through volunteer events, as well as exposure to art, culture, and neighborhood activities via our Arts and Wellness program. By cultivating a sense of belonging and community integration, Day Spring enhances the overall quality of life for our residents, granting them the opportunity to live with meaning, esteem, and dignity.



**“Beyond creating a home and ensuring security, we also emphasize love and belonging.”**



Sara, her brother Max, and her niece Kate.

“My sister Sara has lived in Day Spring for many years. In the past five years, we have unfortunately lost both of our parents. Since then, my sister Jennifer and I have taken on the responsibility of making sure Sara gets the care and services she requires. This is uncharted territory for us, and we are incredibly grateful that Day Spring has been there to support not only Sara, but us as well. The Day Spring community feels like one large family, united by the goal of supporting each other. From the staff and other residents, to the leadership team, everyone treats Sara, and my sister and I, as if we were their own family.”

-Max Harrison

# Hope, Belonging, & Community



## Our Friends, Nancy & Bill



"My name is Nancy Ryan, and it has been my honor and privilege to serve as a family home provider for the past 32 years. It was one of the best decisions in our lives as we opened our doors, our family, and our hearts to those in our community with varying challenges, ranging from the trauma of abandonment, acute PTSD, living with isolation because of waking up every day feeling different than their peers.

It has been an eye-opener and a blessing to wake up every day with the goal of helping them see their value, their place in our family and the community around them. To be a part of enriching and investing time in helping someone,

one step and one day at a time, grow into the very best version of themselves that they can be, is the most rewarding thing in life.

I have watched Bill, who has lived in our home for 31 years, go from a place of anger, loneliness, fear, defensiveness and anti-social behavior to a place of belonging, peace, joy, self-worth, and confidence. Bill now walks each day out as the very best Bill he can be. Bill works harder, loves deeper, and has a heart of pure gold, and I am honored to have played any part in that growth. Bill is a member of our family, and he is loved, valued, accepted and encouraged by every member of the family. Family Home Providers have the chance and opportunity to make a critical difference and enter the adventure of a lifetime."



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# Horizon of Hope

## Legacy Society

**A legacy donation holds immense significance to Day Spring as it ensures support for generations to come. Such contributions not only guarantee financial stability but also symbolize a lasting commitment to improving the lives of individuals with disabilities, leaving an enduring legacy of compassion and support within Day Spring and the individuals it serves.**

To learn more on how to leave your legacy email us at [info@dayspringky.org](mailto:info@dayspringky.org)

# Save the Date

Special events are pivotal for nonprofits like Day Spring. It brings awareness to the mission and introduces new faces to our community, while also raising essential funds to meet the need of our beloved residents. Stay involved and mark your calendars for all of our upcoming events this year.



Scan here for more event details:



*March 22nd, 2025*

Join us for Day Spring's biggest fundraiser of the year, the 2nd annual Horizon of Hope Gala. This exclusive event is sure to promise entertainment, glamour and gratification.



Bring your corporate team to this one day volunteer event, that gathers over 100 working hands. Help make our residents' homes as beautiful as yours.



**13 OCT 2025**

Enjoy a full day of play, great meals, and friendly competition at Day Spring's longest running event, the Day Spring Golf Classic. Spend a day on the green for a great cause.







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***Cultivating Hope, Belonging  
& Community***

