



# Skyward

**Our Stellar News for Fall 2024**

**Stratosphere Report**



Dear STAR House Supporters,

As we prepare to open our doors in October and transition our focus from opening our doors to actively serving families, we are thrilled to share some important leadership changes. A familiar face has moved into the Executive Director role and

we are welcoming a couple of new board members! These changes reflect our commitment to strengthening our organization and enhancing our ability to serve our community.

### **Leadership Changes:**

- Sarah Ellefson has resigned as Board President and moved into the interim Executive Director role.
- Kayla Ulsby has resigned as Board Secretary and moved into the interim Associate Director role.
- Sarah Anderson has transitioned from Board Vice President to Board President.
- Becki Emerfoll has transitioned from Treasurer to Board Secretary.
- Marissa Pitterle has transitioned to Treasurer.

Additionally, we are excited to welcome two new board members, Alejandra Roisen and Lexie Marsh!

These interim roles allow us to leverage established expertise and maintain our momentum while we move through the inevitable bumps of opening our doors. Once we are through these growing pains, we will resume our search for a long-term Executive Director.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to STAR House.

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## **Current Forecast**

**Onboarding:** We're thrilled that we are currently onboarding new direct care staff at STAR House! It's an exciting milestone as we welcome some truly stellar individuals to our team. With just a few spots left, you too can be part of this incredible journey. If you're interested in a part-time role where you can shine and make a meaningful impact in the lives of children and families, visit our website at [starhousemn.org/careers](https://starhousemn.org/careers). Join us and be a guiding light on our STAR-studded team!



## STAR City

**Date:** October 5, 2024

**Time:** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Location:** STAR House

Come celebrate our opening with us! We're creating a space where kids can just be kids—no matter what's going on in their world—and we'd love for you to join us for a fun-filled afternoon.

Bring your creativity and your friends to craft and connect at our cardboard popup event, STAR City, to celebrate our grand opening.

[Click here to RSVP to join us for STAR City](#)

## Would you rather help host?

We're looking for some extra STAR volunteers to help the event go smoothly. If you're available to lend a hand, we'd love for you to join us! We need people to help with the final planning and to pitch in on the day of with setup, cleanup and welcoming guests to help the event run smoothly.

Please let us know if you can volunteer by signing up. Whether it's helping with setup, guiding activities, or just adding to the joy of the day, your support would mean the world to us! [Click here to sign up to volunteer.](#)

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## Volunteer Galaxy



# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Check out these opportunities:

- Cook
- Helper
- Direct Care
- Fundraising
- Group Activities
- Communications
- Intake/Resource Line
- Cleaning & Maintenance
- Volunteer Relations Lead

Apply today!



[starhousemn.org/volunteering](http://starhousemn.org/volunteering)

# We're looking for volunteers!

We're thrilled to welcome in-person volunteers to STAR House and look forward to continuing our collaboration with our amazing virtual volunteers too!

[Click here to learn more and apply to volunteer today.](#)



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