



STAR NEWS

STAR House Launch Progress

STAR House has so far completed a three-year start-up phase where it secured initial sponsorships, recruited board members, and developed community relationships. We've reached another significant milestone on our journey towards opening our doors. We are excited to announce that we have successfully signed a lease for our first location. This achievement brings us one step closer to providing free, safe, and trauma-informed care for vulnerable children and families in our community. We are thrilled to see our vision taking shape. Visit our website www.starhousemn.org for more details on this exciting development and to learn more about our mission and upcoming initiatives. Together, we can make a positive impact on the lives of those in need.



We've officially signed our lease! STAR House has a new location!

Stay tuned for upcoming opportunities to tour STAR House and in-person careers and volunteer opportunities!

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BACK TO SCHOOL

As the summer months roll by, it's a great time to help your child prepare for kindergarten while still enjoying the fun of the season. Here are some helpful tips and activities to ensure a smooth transition into the new school year while making lasting summer memories:

1. **Set Aside No-Screen Time for Creative Projects:** Dedicate specific times for screen-free activities such as art projects, reading, and imaginative play. Encourage your child to explore their creativity and engage in hands-on learning experiences.
2. **Practice Important Skills:** Take advantage of the summer to reinforce essential kindergarten skills. Teach your child how to write their name, identify basic shapes, and count objects. These activities can be incorporated into fun games and daily routines.
3. **Visit Your Local Library:** Make regular visits to your local library for quiet reading time and participate in story time groups. Reading aloud and engaging with age-appropriate books will foster a love for reading, enhance language skills, and develop a strong foundation for literacy.

To further assist you, some resources that would be helpful:

- Guides to Kindergarten Readiness like in this [linked article](#).
- [Fun Shape Activities for Kids](#).
- Your Local Library Events Calendar, often featuring activities supporting Early Learning.

Implementing these strategies and utilizing the available resources can help you ensure your child is well-prepared for kindergarten while enjoying a memorable summer filled with learning, creativity, and quality family time.

2024 Congressional Spending Earmarks

We are excited to share that Star House has applied to be included in the 2024 Congressional Spending Earmarks. This application represents an opportunity for Star House to secure the resources to obtain a permanent facility, allowing us to further our mission and impact.

Here's where you can help. Show your support for Senators Klobuchar and Smith as they work to bolster nonprofits in Minnesota. They understand the important role nonprofits play and are committed to providing support to them. Their advocacy is imperative to making a lasting impact on the lives of Minnesotans. You can show solidarity by contacting them to express your appreciation for their commitment to supporting nonprofits. Thank you for standing with us. Together, we can create a stronger and more supportive environment for all.

Add your organization to our online resource list!

If you would like your organization's information listed as a resource on our website, please contact us with:

- Your organization's name
- Website
- Contact information
- Services provided

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Community Support

We're fortunate to have the community support that we do! In just the last few months, we've received diapers and wipes from Lakes LifeCare Center, books from Maxfield Elementary, and volunteer knitted hats and scarfs from The Yarnery!



DIAPERS + WIPES

Lakes LifeCare Center



BOOKS

Maxfield Elementary



HATS + SCARFS

The Yarnery

STAR House in the community



Stay Tuned for
Upcoming Events!

GRAND OLD DAY

June 4, 2023



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June 17 2023



July 2023

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Career + Volunteer

We've got open positions!

Play an integral role in helping launch STAR House into its next phase! Inclusivity is important to STAR House. Considering a diverse pool of candidates at every stage of the hiring process means these positions will be open until filled.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



BOARD VICE PRESIDENT



Ways to support STAR House right now!

☆ MATERIAL DONATIONS

We are accepting new clothing, new or gently used toys as donations, and gift cards to help us get ready for the children.

☆ FINANCIAL DONATION

Your financial contributions allow us to ensure the quality care needed to support the children and families of Ramsey County.

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☆ EMPLOYEE GIVING

Does your employer participate in the United Way giving program? STAR House is listed as an eligible charity for employer contribution programs. Please consider becoming a monthly contributor through United Way or other employer programs.

☆ SPREAD THE WORD

Help us raise awareness about the supportive services we will be providing for Ramsey County later this year!

@starhousemn



**One in
Four** children in Ramsey
County, MN
are living in poverty

Ramsey County

has the highest level of
poverty in the Metro Area

There are currently **NO** temporary,
overnight care facilities available for
children or families in the area



STAR House Seeks to Change That.

STAR House (501c3) is a crisis nursery that exists to provide a temporary home away from home for young children and provide supportive services to caregivers that uplift and strengthen the entire family. Similar crisis nursery models exist and are successful in Minneapolis, Duluth, and St. Cloud.