



# STAR House News

## Fall 2022

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## Letter from the President

Dear Community Members, Neighbors and Friends,

STAR House has made some amazing progress this year toward opening our doors in 2023. We have created new relationships, onboarded a new Treasurer and Secretary, and finalized our strategic plan. As is always the case, new and great organizations can take time to build. We appreciate your donations, volunteer hours, well wishes, and much more. We will say it time and time again, we couldn't do it without YOU! We hope you are as excited as we are about the amazing opportunities that lie ahead for STAR House and families in Ramsey County. As we come closer to our opening date, your further support is as important as it has ever been. You are amazing and we appreciate everything you do!

Sarah Ellefson  
President of the Board

## Meet Our New Officers

This year we welcomed two new board officers. Becki Emerfoll is serving as Interim Treasurer and Theresa Brown is serving as Interim Secretary. They have been an awesome addition to the team!

We will be adding additional members to our Board of Directors in 2023. Please watch for more information.



Becki Emerfoll  
Treasurer



Theresa Brown  
Secretary

## \* Stakeholder Call \*

SAVE THE DATE for the STAR House New Year Kick-Off Call

STAR House will be holding a Zoom call to highlight the accomplishments we've made together this year. We will also gaze into the future to look at STAR House's plans to open in 2023. Please save the date, we will follow up with an invitation to remind you! All are welcome to join!

When: December 21, 2022 at 7pm

Where: Via Zoom

## New Partnership!

We're excited to announce our partnership with Fox Advancement!

Their purpose guides our work: "securing resources to build vibrant communities so that people can experience the joy of giving."





## Ending 2022 in a STELLAR Way!



Being a caregiver to a child can be hard, especially when faced with issues such as homelessness, mental health struggles and food insecurity, the list goes on. Many families with small children who face such issues find their problems compounded by the lack of a dependable support system. STAR House will offer free, safe, holistic and trauma-informed care to young children in an overnight care facility. Parents/caregivers will become a part of our support network and be encouraged to care for themselves and/or receive services to overcome barriers or life stressors they may be facing. We will partner with other community services to make available the resources, care, and support that the family desires.

STAR House's end of year fundraising goal is \$6,000. Can you help us meet that goal? Please contribute to helping families in Ramsey County by donating at [www.starhousemn.org/donating](http://www.starhousemn.org/donating). Your contribution is tax deductible and will go directly to the final expenses to open our doors. Every donation from STARs like you, will make a difference to families in our community.

## More Ways to Help

### Volunteers needed!

Do you want to be a part of creating something stellar with STAR House?

We will be launching our crisis nursery services in 2023 and need your talents. As a STAR House volunteer, you will contribute to the safety and resilience of the children and families in our community.

Be a STAR in one of our open positions:

- Administrative Assistance
- Fundraising
- Grant Writing

To volunteer now, please reach out to [volunteer@starhousemn.org](mailto:volunteer@starhousemn.org) or visit [www.starhousemn.org/volunteering](http://www.starhousemn.org/volunteering)

### Volunteer Outreach Event

On December 10, 2022 STAR House volunteers will be participating in an outreach event to support another local nonprofit organization. We will be packaging babyshower bags and birthday cards for the youth that call Ain Dah Yung home. If you would like to contribute to this event, please search our wishlist for items to share.

[Amazon Wishlist](#)



### Amazon Smile

There are so many ways you can make an impact, including while you shop! For no additional cost you can set STAR House as your preferred charity on Amazon. Simply go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and choose STAR House in St. Paul to receive donations from Amazon for each purchase you make. It's that easy!

### Follow us on social media!

Another way to help us reach our goals is to follow us on social media and share our posts with your friends and family. Please find us here:



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