

Patchworks

WINTER 2019

THE CABBAGE PATCH SETTLEMENT HOUSE



You've probably heard the phrase "It's just like riding a bike!" in reference to revisiting something you used to know. It's repeated often because biking is a skill that stays with you once you've mastered it. At The Cabbage Patch, the biking program provides bicycles to children who wouldn't otherwise be able to afford them, and staff members train the children on safety and maintenance. This empowers the children with a pathway to independence, physical health and perseverance.

"When I fall, The Patch helps me get back up!"

Alexandra* is an eleven-year-old girl who participated in Bike Day Camp this year. She was the only camper that week with no knowledge of cycling and who was unable to ride a bike. However, Alexandra was determined to learn and was confident despite being so far behind her peers. For the first two days of camp Alexandra worked with staff on the basics of riding a bike while her peers rode greater distances with the other staff members. On the third day of camp, she rode the route with the rest of the camp. She was wobbly and fell several times, but staff members encouraged her and helped her to get back up with joy and determination.

By the end of the camp, you would not have been able to tell that Alexandra had learned how to ride a bike just that week. She is very proud of her accomplishment, and the experience of being supported by her fellow campers has given her a fresh sense of confidence and community. Thank you for supporting The Patch's programs and helping Alexandra learn a new skill in a safe, caring environment.

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Celebrating our Children

As we celebrate holidays and birthdays, it's easy to forget that merriment can be expensive and out of reach for many families. Many Patch Parents do not have money to spend on things like birthday gifts and/or entertainment for their children.

This summer, Sylvia* contacted The Patch's Family Development staff to ask if she could visit the "Birthday Closet" in order to choose a few birthday presents for her daughter. Toys/birthday gifts end up in the closet through a variety of ways. Extra donations for Christmas are put into the Birthday Closet and sometimes children of Patch supporters will ask guests who attend their birthday party to bring toys that are then donated to The Cabbage Patch.

Sylvia found several gifts for her daughter, and then staff surprised her by asking if she might want some free tickets to a Louisville Bats baseball game. These tickets were donated to The Cabbage Patch, and staff members were able to distribute them to several families.

Sylvia left with not only birthday gifts, but also with tickets to an entertainment experience that she would not have been able to afford without the help of The Patch. Afterward, Sylvia said, "My daughter has been talking about her birthday and the Bats game for weeks, and she plays with the toys she received every day. Thank you to everybody that helped us out!"

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Volunteer Coordinator
Micah Wilson

You can help us celebrate our birthdays!

You can help us celebrate our birthdays! We need sponsors to provide fun, monthly birthday parties for the children of The Patch! Would your church volunteer group, family or office like to make wishes come true?

Party sponsors are asked to provide:

- Cupcakes for 25 to 30 children • Juice
- Gifts worth \$5 to \$10 for each birthday child

Average Investment: \$250 per party
Contact me at mwilson@cabbagepatch.org

Just a Few Minutes a Day

It's not all fun and games for staff members who run our recreation department! The Patch has a very fair, but strict behavioral code and some members need help fitting in.

Recently, three pre-teen sisters returned to The Patch after being gone (willingly) for most of the summer. All 3 girls have been very close to permanently losing their membership due to constant behavior issues and the youngest was in an incident almost immediately upon return. Micah, our new Behavior Specialist, was able to de-escalate her and together they determined that a lot of her behavior problems stem from anger.

Since then, she has been meeting with Micah regularly. They complete anger management worksheets together and have been working through behavioral scenarios that seem to be a struggle for her. At first, she was reluctant and stated she would only spend "one minute a day" on anger management. Now she voluntarily spends 15 minutes or more each session, and pops in for extra encouragement when she needs it. This seems to be working wonders!



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Save the Date!

Celebrating Tracy Holladay's 36 years of Leadership

April 23, 2020
\$100

Info: kanderson@cabbagepatch.org

How Can I Help?

If you enjoy reading these stories of changed lives, we want you to know that you can help make them happen. Here are a few ideas...

Donation Needs:

- Pasta and sauce
- Canned soup
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Meal kits, like Hamburger Helper
- African-American hair care products
- Feminine hygiene supplies
- Toilet tissue
- Paper towels
- Sensitive skin soap
- Fragrance free laundry detergent

Contact: Doug Holm, 753-4434 or dholm@cabbagepatch.org

Event Volunteer Opportunities:

Set up and clean up volunteers for Putt fore The Patch, Tuesday, April 14, 2020

Volunteers for The Cabbage Patch Invitational Golf Tournament, date TBA in June

Event Volunteers: Contact Kristina Anderson at kanderson@cabbagepatch.org or 753-4454

Did you know?

You can sign up for **Kroger Community Rewards** and a portion of your purchases will support The Cabbage Patch!

www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow

Shop at **www.smile.amazon.com** to support The Patch! This site functions just like Amazon, but you can designate The Cabbage Patch as the charity to benefit from your purchases.



Great Things Start with Homework

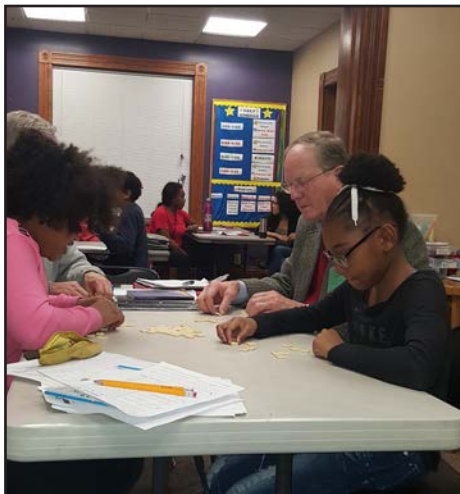
Fall and winter in the Educational Opportunities Department brings homework, homework and more homework! Once the children finished mourning the end of summer, staff members were once again inundated with requests for help with a variety of assignments. Every school year begins the same, but this one has brought some surprises.

For instance, our seniors this year may be the most determined group we have had so far: many of them are constantly telling staff of their college plans, when they plan to apply, and are always asking about ACT prep dates. Sandra*, a senior at Central, has already applied to several schools, including UK.

Her dream of becoming a nurse cannot seem to come quickly enough. Ray*, a senior at Ballard, has attended several college tours with us and taken the ACT with us once. He wants to become a civil engineer and is hoping this year he will raise his ACT score high enough to gain entrance into UK's Engineering Program.



Amazing accomplishments begin with homework. The Cabbage Patch staff members are always here for young students, helping them build the foundation for academic success.



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Caroline Price Reid Educational Opportunities & Recreation/Youth Development Funds

As a lifelong active member of Second Presbyterian Church, Caroline Price Reid was dedicated to expressing God’s love through service to others. She was a great friend and supporter of The Cabbage Patch, and her named endowment funds ensure that her legacy continues to provide education, arts, athletics and leadership programming to Louisville’s most vulnerable young people.

Caroline attended the old Ballard School, graduated from the Louisville Collegiate School, attended Wellesley College and graduated from the University of Louisville. During World War II, she worked as a draftsman in the engineering department of the Curtiss-Wright Corporation. After the war, she worked at the University of Louisville in the History of Art Department until her marriage to William Reid. They had three children Mac Reid (Tay), Barbara Reid (David), and Hensley Peterson (James). Her love of the arts continued throughout her life. Her childhood summers at Prestwoud, near Clarkesville, VA, fostered a sustained interest in historic preservation and led to her involvement in the restoration efforts of the Prestwoud Foundation. She was a member of the Colonial Dames and also a supporter of Bellewood Presbyterian Home for Children.

Caroline’s daughters Barbara and Hensley created these two named endowment funds because they knew of their mother’s dedication, support, and appreciation of The Cabbage Patch and its successful educational programs and recreation and youth development programs. Caroline was very impressed with Tracy Holladay and his leadership as Executive Director over many years, and they worked together for years to help sustain the vital work of The Cabbage Patch.

To Establish a Named Fund:

If establishing during a lifetime, a \$10,000 minimum gift is required. (may be paid over two years)

If establishing through an estate plan, a \$20,000 minimum gift is required.

Sign a Fund Information form

Work with staff to determine fund name, purpose and description

For more information contact:

Jennifer Scott
502-753-4446
jscott@cabbagepatch.org or

Tracy Holladay
502-753-4445
tholladay@cabbagepatch.org

These two endowments honor Caroline’s lifelong commitment to the diversity of programs at The Cabbage Patch and also embrace and help create sustainability for the future at The Cabbage Patch. The educational programs are designed to help student achievement success, and they really make a profound difference in the lives of the youth participating in them. The recreation and youth development programs help youth learn skills such as teamwork, respect, and commitment while having fun and building positive and healthy relationships. Both programs equip and empower children, youth and their families to be self-sufficient by helping them maximize their potential, as stated in The Cabbage Patch’s mission.

Many people have established named endowment funds in memory of a parent or other loved one. Others have made provisions in their estate plan because they want to continue to support causes which were important to them in their lifetime. Perhaps there are causes you want to support in this way. For more information about how to establish a named endowment fund and/or include The Cabbage Patch Settlement House, Inc. in your estate plan, contact Jennifer Scott at (502) 753-4446 or jscott@cabbagepatch.org

The Cabbage Patch Annual Auction



You arrived ready to help children rise above difficult circumstances, and that is what you did at the 2019 Annual Auction “Up, Up and Away!”

There were incredible items up for bid, including a ride in the Goodyear Blimp and a catered dinner at Valerie and Dave Hall's beautiful home. College Scholar Jaliyah Grant called upon attendees to support the College Scholars Program and maintain hope for future Patch Scholars.

“Tonight, I ask that you aspire to see only great prosperity for the generations of College Scholars to come.” – Jaliyah Grant

The Auction was well attended, with 250 guests enjoying Brown-Forman cocktails and a delicious dinner in the beautiful Olmsted. The event netted approximately \$148,000!



We are grateful for the following sponsors: Presenting Sponsor Brown-Forman; Platinum Sponsor Commonwealth Bank and Trust Co.; Gold Sponsors Commonwealth Alliances, the Glenview Trust Company, Strothman & Company and The Wood and Marie Hannah Foundation; Silver Sponsors Gipe Auto Color, Hilliard-Lyons, River Road Asset Management, Fiona and Powell Starks, Sterling Thompson, Brown & Brown Insurance, Humana and Republic Bank; and Bronze Sponsors McGriff Insurance. A special thanks goes to our donors, committee and volunteers who made this an event to remember!



Tracy Holladay Honored as an Admired CEO

This year, Executive Director Tracy Holladay was selected by Business First as one of Louisville's Most Admired CEOs!

Louisville Business First Associate Editor Zak Owens said of the Most Admired CEOs class: "...***There's a special kind of leader who thrives under the pressure. One who inspires a team with a clear and bold mission that allows an organization to soar. One who holds their people and their product above all else.***"

In 1984, Tracy called his first staff meeting to order with an inspirational message: "The more you express power, the less you express love." Throughout his career, he has been dedicated to serving those in need, and he does so with a humble spirit.

His immeasurable accomplishments include leading the strategic planning in 1984 that focused the mission on programs promoting self-sufficiency; expanding Family Development programming; founding Streetball Showdown, the first large-scale fundraiser that established special events as major funding sources for the organization; overseeing the facility expansion which added 19,000 square feet plus renovations, and formalizing the education department and College Scholars program.

In 2020, Tracy Holladay is retiring after 36 years as Executive Director of The Cabbage Patch. In all his time serving Louisville's children and families, he has continually assessed the multifaceted issue of poverty, adapting programs to the needs of those we serve. His contributions to the cause of reducing poverty in our city are immeasurable, but if we consider that The Patch serves approximately 1,000 individuals each year, it's safe to say he has changed tens of thousands of lives during his remarkable tenure.



To honor his legacy, the Board of Directors has established *The Tracy Holladay Overall Mission Endowment*. You can make a gift in his honor online at cabbagepatch.org/donation-page or send your check to The Cabbage Patch, 1413 South Sixth St., Louisville, Kentucky 40208. Please indicate in the memo area "Tracy Holladay Fund".



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for the milestone Birthday of Mrs. Frances W. Dumbaugh

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A blessing is the perfect gift.
 One size fits all!

Your loved one will feel truly blessed when you honor them with a donation to the children of The Cabbage Patch.

One month of Leadership Development training for one child:  **\$50**

Two months of homework help for one child:  **\$75**

Three months of art classes for one child:  **\$100**

Make your gift by December 18 and we will send your family/friends a card featuring artwork by the children of The Cabbage Patch. Simply note that your donation is a Christmas honorarium.