The Link’s mission is to build a supportive community network that links youth and their families to their inner strength through life skills, education, advocacy, supportive housing, and a dynamic network of social services to transform lives.

2012 Annual Report

The Link provides housing services in the Twin Cities to over 150 youth and growing!

The Link continued its tradition of growth and sound financial management. This year, The Link reorganized its programming into two divisions to better support its clients: Juvenile Justice (including Be@school), and Housing and Homeless Services. Kate Tobin and Erin Wixsten, respectively, head the divisions.

In June, we honored three of our trusted and valued volunteers: Karen Akslen, Lisa Hagen and Carol Ann Smith.

We would like to thank all of our supporters and staff for their loyal commitment to The Link.

Curt, Erin, Lois, Kate, Julia
Executive Staff Team

Housing and Homeless Services

The Link provides supportive housing, a place to call home, to more than 150 young people throughout the Twin Cities metro area. In 2012, 84% of participants increased skills to live independently, 76% maintained sobriety, and 80% secured stable sources of sufficient income. Our supportive housing programs provide access to safe, affordable housing and case management services in a caring, supportive context for young adults ages 16-24 who are homeless, including those who are disabled, pregnant or parenting. The Link also provides social service support to residents in more than 90 apartments throughout the Twin Cities metro area. Each participant lives independently in his/her own housing unit.

The Link’s flagship housing programs are Lindquist Apartments in north Minneapolis and Lincoln Place in Eagan. In addition, The Link has two scattered site housing programs, Transitional Living Program and Housing First.

Juvenile Justice

The Juvenile Justice Division has two areas of programming.

The Juvenile Supervision Center (JSC) and the North Suburban Evening Reporting Center (ERC) offer advocacy, behavior redirection, and healthy group activities for youth in the juvenile justice system or at risk of arrest. In 2012, The JSC had over 3,000 youth visits, and provided case management services to over 400 youth. Of these 400 youth, 91% did not make a return visit to the JSC within six months of their end of case management services, and 95% of case management participants enrolled in school.

At the Evening Reporting Center, 90% of participants complied with court orders, 96% improved relationships with adults, and 87% improved relationships with peers.

With your support, we were able to serve over 3,000 youth.
Be@School

Be@school provides case management and academic support for students at risk of dropping out of school due to high absenteeism. The program worked with over 400 youth last year, most of whom are older and have had unsuccessful interventions in the past. The program helped 61% of youth improve school attendance, and enrolled 80% of un-enrolled youth in school, and helped 67% of clients' parents engage in strategies to improve their child's attendance, decreased high-risk behavior.

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### STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS

Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011
Audited by Schechter Dokken Kanter

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| Management and general         | $307,111   | $241,954   |
| Fundraising                     | $83,313    | $152,188   |
| Total                           | $3,217,761 | $2,516,242 |

| Change in net assets            |            |            |
| Net assets, beginning of year   | $1,286,487 | $1,192,848 |
| Net assets, ending of year      | $1,292,741 | $1,286,487 |

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85% of each donation goes directly to support youth in our community.
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