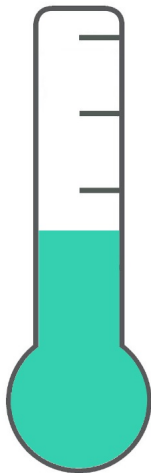


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YOU make this work possible!



The Link's programming is made possible by donations from generous supporters like you!

The Link has raised \$124,000 towards our individual giving goal of \$225,000 for 2019.

The youth in our community need you.

[Donate today!](#)



The Link's Amazon Wish List is updated every week to reflect our youth's current needs. Shop our wish list and help our

Join Us!

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YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

DAKOTA COUNTY BOWLING PARTY

Sunday, October 6, 2019
12:00-3:00 PM

APPLE PLACE BOWL
14917 Garrett Ave
Apple Valley, MN 55124

HELP END YOUTH HOMELESSNESS
IN DAKOTA COUNTY

Learn more at: www.thelinkmn.org/events

Join us for a fun afternoon filled with unlimited bowling, silent auction, raffle & more!

This event helps us to continue providing high quality supportive services and housing for youth experiencing homelessness in Dakota County.

Register Now!

For sponsorship information, please contact Megan Voronyak at 612-220-9832 or

Happening Soon



The Founders Luncheon

Featuring Jim Marshall and Oscar Reed

When:
November 5th, 2019
11:30am - 1:30pm

Where:
Minikahda Club
Minneapolis, MN

[Register Today!](#)

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Give to the Max Day 2019

Join us on November 14th for GTMD2019!

Help The Link raise \$35,000 to support youth and families in our community!

We are looking for generous donors and businesses to create a matching gift fund.

If you are interested, please contact Megan Voronyak at mvoronyak@thelinkmn.org or 612-220-9832

[Check out our donation page here!](#)



Gift Link

During the holidays, The Link provides gifts to over 300 youth and families.

We need your help as we secure 300 gift cards this holiday season!

Host a [Gift Card Drive](#) with your workplace, faith community, neighborhood or purchase gift cards off of our [Amazon Wish List!](#)

Contact: Volunteer@thelinkmn.org for more information!

Exciting Changes at The Link!



Beth Holger, CEO of The Link

The Link is proud to announce changes in our executive leadership. We are excited to share that our Executive Director position will now be referred to as Chief Executive Officer. We have also added the position of Chief Advancement Officer to the agency.

These changes/additions were approved by our Board of Directors in response to the increase in size of our agency, the large impact The Link has in the community and because we see a need to grow the Development Department so that we can continue to increase growth across the agency.

In addition, as an organization we are also strongly committed to gender equity within job titles, pay and opportunity which will be reflected with these title changes. Beth Holger will now be The Link's Chief Executive Officer. In addition, Jennifer Becker, J.D. was promoted to Chief Advancement Officer and Megan Voronyak was hired as The

Link's Development Director. We will also be working extremely hard to expand our next level of C Suite leadership over the next 5 years. This is exciting news for The Link and the community as a whole! Thank you to everyone who continues to partner with us and our youth to overcome the impacts of poverty and social injustice.

The Link's 2019 Founders Award

Congratulations to our 2019 Founders Award Winner, LaVina Branscomb!

Each year, The Link recognizes staff who are deeply committed to youth and our local community, in line with the mission of our founders, Jim Marshall and Oscar Reed.

This year's Founders Award winner, LaVina Branscomb, is a case manager in our Suburban Housing Program. LaVina serves youth with high barriers to housing stability, building positive rapport and supporting them as they work towards their goals and develop independence.

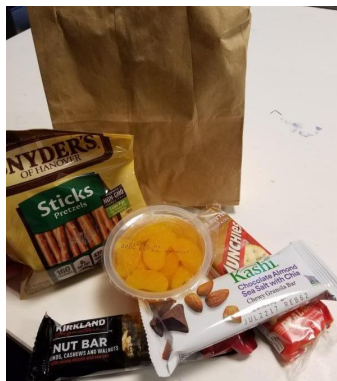
LaVina is responsive to the diverse needs of youth, understanding the impact that trauma and homelessness can have on a young person. LaVina is a leader for The Link, serving not just young people, but also helping to push The Link forward as we work to end youth homelessness.



LaVina and CEO Beth Holger

Thank you LaVina, and all of the staff at The Link for all that you do!

Get Involved!



Kit Building: Snack Packs! (Minneapolis)

School has begun for our youth and the days are long when you're running low on energy. Help us make snack packs to refuel and energize our youth!



Frozen Meal Prep: Spaghetti & Mac 'n Cheese (Apple Valley)

Our youth need to eat and you can help!

Join us as we make frozen meals for the youth in our programs! Register for this event, and we will



Silent Auction Baskets Needed for Dakota County Bowling Party

The Link's 9th Annual Dakota County Bowling Party is on Sunday, October 6th, 2019 at Apple Place Bowl in Apple Valley!

In addition to bowling, the

Come join us in this fun filled event to pack various snack items!

This is a great opportunity if you are an individual, group or family!

When:
Wednesday
September 25th
3pm to 4:30pm

Where:
The Link
Lindquist Apartments
1931 W Broadway Ave
Minneapolis

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provide all of the supplies.

Registration:
Adult \$20.00
Child \$5.00

Ages 10 and up.

When:
Tuesday October 1st
4pm to 6pm

Where:
Grace Lutheran Church
7800 150th St W
Apple Valley

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event includes a silent auction that is made possible because of supporters like you! The silent auction is an amazing fundraising tool for The Link. Help put together a themed basket!

When:
We will work to arrange pick up or drop off of items prior to September 20th.

Check out basket ideas and [Sign Up Here!](#)



Follow The Link for program and youth highlights, volunteer and donation needs!

Can you give \$20, \$50 or \$100 to support youth and young families in our community?
Your gift to The Link is 100% tax deductible.

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