

FY22 Impact Report

July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022



**Support.
Educate.
Empower.**

Since 1985



Dear Friends,

You matter.

Whether you are reading this because you have participated in our programming, volunteered with us, supported us, or are interested in learning about what we do, YOU MATTER. The phrase, "we are all in this together" is clearly evident in what YPN does on a daily basis. What we choose to do and not do has a direct impact on those around us and, more importantly, on those who need us most.

Our work is centered on stabilizing the family unit and empowering our community to take action...to be that person who makes a positive impact in the lives of others. While this work is not easy and societal challenges remain, YPN has seen tremendous growth and achieved many successes. These accomplishments take all of us, together. I am so incredibly proud of our staff for what they do and for who they are. Their true essence has challenged me to be a better person and I am grateful to them.

*Our Mission:
Creating a network of
support through
education and resources,
to build confidence and
personal accountability
for healthy and
successful families.*

*"A healthy
family is at
the core of a
healthy
society."*

As we look to the future, YPN will remain committed to offering the best programming to our participants, regardless of their background or life situation. We all must uplift one another...we all have that ability. Rest assured that we will continue working hard to earn your support and never forget how much YOU MATTER to us and our beloved organization.

With gratitude,

AP

Alexander Piro

YPN Executive Director



Your support makes a difference!

Thank you!

From the moment I joined the YPN family, I saw the impact your support has on the families we serve. Through your generosity, hundreds of children and parents have benefited from our programs and services. You are making a difference here and beyond!

In my first few months here, I have witnessed the respect our staff have for the parents they work with, the love they have for what they do and the dedication they have to empower parents and nurture children through group work and home visits. This would not be possible without the support of individuals, businesses, and foundations through donations and grants.

My hope for the next year is to connect with many of you to thank you in person for your impact and learn more about why you choose to make a difference with your support. I also hope to connect with past participants to learn where they and their children are now to celebrate and honor almost 40 years of working with families to Support, Educate and Empower them.

As we increase our impact and grow our outreach, your help is crucial to our success. I invite you to join us in our work and look forward to talking with you about the impact you can make through your charitable giving.

For more information, please contact me at 319-364-8909, 515-450-8771, or khanna@ypniowa.org.



Scan to learn more or visit
www.ypniowa.org/give

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Khanna'.

YPN Director of Advancement



Reach for the Stars!

In 2010, a donor family of YPN created a scholarship that is awarded yearly to a participant who has the desire to further their education. Receiving the "Reach for the Stars" scholarship removed a major barrier for Orline Makengo and allowed her to begin creating the life she envisioned. Orline was able to attend Kirkwood Community College and graduated in May 2020 with an Associate of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education. She is now enrolled at Mount Mercy University pursuing a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. YPN and the donor family are proud of Orline's commitment to her family and education and we look forward to seeing her continued success.

"I thank YPN and donors for supporting my school journey, from English as a Second Language, to my AA degree, and now as I continue to pursue my BA."

~Orline Makengo, Former YPN participant, 2020 & 2022 Scholarship Recipient



Leadership That Guides



Our Directors and Trustees are exceptional people, professionals, and community advocates who are very passionate about YPN's mission, to strengthen families at the core. Board members are an example of how commitment + intention = a great impact to our community for the greater good.

"It has been humbling and rewarding to see first hand how many people are truly committed to our mission and I look forward to the continued inspiration, guidance, and leadership that our board provides to us." ~Alejandro Pino



I'm proud of the work YPN is doing in the community. I wholeheartedly believe that the impact we make today with parents will empower them and their children for years to come, resulting in generational change.



Robb Loftsgard

YPN Board of Directors since 2015, Board Chair 2021-2022

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YPN would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to **Lorilei Christner** and **Jamie Toledo**, who have served on our board from 2013-2022.



"They are both phenomenal women, mothers, and community leaders - they leave a mark wherever they go! We are so fortunate to have had their support and they will always be part of our YPN family!"

~Alejandro Pino

88
combined
years
of service

25
board
members
in FY22

372
hours
served in
FY22

Staff Highlights

As the African Community Program Specialist, Minouche leads efforts to assist our community's resettled African refugees. Minouche is a leader in our community and we are fortunate to have her with us as we continue to serve and grow within the African population in Cedar Rapids. In 2021, she was recognized as an honoree for the Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation "Spirit of Minnie Rubek" award for going above and beyond in her organization. In 2022, she was recognized as an honoree for The Gazette's "HER Women of Achievement" award, which recognizes individuals who are leading, inspiring and creating positive change in Eastern Iowa. Special thanks to Minouche for her efforts with YPN.

"The African Moms Group helps me to understand better how parenting works in the United States, especially for me since I had my two oldest children in Africa and my youngest here. They help me to find and to utilize the resources we have here in Cedar Rapids."

~Christelle Baniakina, YPN African Mom

Minouche Bandubula
YPN African Community Program Specialist



2021-22 STAFF MEMBERS

ZAINAB AFGHAN, Program Specialist; **MINOUCHE BANDUBULA**, African Community Program Specialist; **CAIT BEER**, Program Specialist; **KELSEY CONNICK**, Parent Educator; **DANA CURTIS**, Communications Coordinator; **TASIA DAVIDSON**, We Care Shop & Eastern Iowa Diaper Bank Coordinator; **KIM HANNA**, Director of Advancement; **CAITLYN KESEBERG**, Parent Educator; **EUPHRASIE LUKAMA**, African Community Parent Educator; **TAYLOR MATHER**, Parent Educator; **MERIDITH MYERS**, Director of Programs; **ALEJANDRO PINO**, Executive Director; **CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ**, Administrative Support; **LIZBETH SALAS LANDA**, Latino Community Program Specialist; **CHELSEY STECKLY**, Program Supervisor; **KATIE STEPHENS**, Accounting Specialist; **HEIKE WAGNER**, Volunteer Coordinator

Chelsey began with YPN in June 2021 as a Parent Educator, providing in-home visitations to educate parents through play and learning; while offering support, resources, and goal-setting. Chelsey now provides leadership to her team and families at our Thursday evening Building Bright Futures prenatal and parenting groups. She is a certified Parents As Teachers Parent Educator, has completed her National Family Support Certification from the Institute for the Advancement of Family Support Professionals, and received her Certified Car Seat Technician badge, all since joining YPN. Recently, Chelsey took the initiative to co-lead efforts to create and provide parenting education programming to Afghan families. She works closely with staff and families to help process intakes, assist with translations, and connect families with resources.

"YPN is a place where I can continue to serve others and give my all to our community. Every day is a different day that holds new rewards and challenges which motivates us to keep working hard so we can impact the families and communities we serve."

~Chelsey Steckly

Chelsey Steckly
YPN Program Supervisor



Building Bright Futures & More!

YPN is in the business of SUPPORT, EDUCATION, and EMPOWERMENT.

- **SUPPORT** by offering the foundation (immediate needs) and encouragement to keep going.
- **EDUCATION** by offering relevant and helpful programming.
- **EMPOWERMENT** by giving participants the tools necessary to thrive and break the cycle of poverty.

YPN's Building Bright Futures core programming model offers participants comprehensive, long-term prenatal and parenting services, as well as access to post-partum support. Moms and dads, ages 13-27 who are pregnant or parenting children five and under, typically come to YPN by a community referral. Families are then assigned to a program specialist who helps guide and support the entire family unit for as long as they choose to participate, or until their child turns five and is ready to enter kindergarten. Families find the support, education and empowerment they need while connecting with their peers in a safe environment, offering transportation, school meal, and free childcare at no cost to them.



225

parents attending
weekly programming

Studies show that everyday experiences with parents are fundamental to a child's developing social skill-set. Parents provide a child with their very first opportunities to develop relationships, communicate and interact. Parents model for their child every day how to interact with the people around them.

Evaluation of our program is conducted twice each year using the Ages & Stages Questionnaire. Results allow for early intervention and referrals as necessary.



119

youth attending
weekly childcare

Ages & Stages Questionnaire

Percentage of YPN children who
demonstrated these age-appropriate
development skills:

98% in Gross Motor Skills

96.3% in Problem Solving

94.5% in Social Emotional Skills

94.5% Communication

89% in Fine Motor Skills



40

weeks per year



YPN Helps to Combat Issues

We work to link families with the tools and knowledge they need as they navigate early parenthood. Parents are their children's first teacher; a positive environment and rich parent-child interactions have an **immense impact on child development**. Children benefit when their families are involved in their learning and development. Children are always learning and that learning is strengthened when **families work together**. Children thrive in environments that have predictable routines, are disciplined with dignity, have developmentally appropriate expectations and model positive ways to communicate and manage feelings. We understand that for many parents, support isn't always available. For many YPN families, obstacles get in the way of them providing a safe, stable, healthy environment for their children. These barriers increase the potential for families and children to struggle with everyday development. At YPN we strive to be the premier provider of parent education services, literacy programs, youth development assessments, goal setting and offering additional resources to help combat various social issues that many families are facing. Together, we are working to improve these barriers:

- Poverty
- Employment and Improving job skills
- Finances and finding resources
- Substance abuse
- Transportation
- Adult mental health issues
- Stable housing

YPN

Staff regularly attend trainings to expand their education & knowledge to best serve our families

YPN's 5 CORE BELIEFS:

1. We believe that a healthy family is at the core of a healthy society.
2. We believe that everyone needs and deserves support and education.
3. We believe every child deserves a safe, loving, and nurturing environment.
4. We believe that every person has the responsibility to be a contributing member of society.
5. We believe community involvement is essential.



Growing up with YPN

Tyler has been part of the YPN Dads group for three years. Today, he has two sons named Caiden and Wyatt and has another baby on the way. Here is Tyler's story and how YPN made a positive impact for him.

"I became a dad at the age of 20. I never had a father growing up. My father was in and out of prison my entire life. When he was around, he would treat my siblings and I poorly. After being treated like this by my father, I vowed that if God were to bless me with kids, I would never be the father he was. I had my oldest Caiden in 2014 with my high school sweetheart. Things did not work out and we broke up but still co-parented pretty well. Then in 2017, I had a second child named Wyatt with someone else. We had a good relationship at first but then issues caused us to separate. Eventually we both came together and went to mediation to resolve our differences for the sake of our son. During this time of my life, YPN was my safe haven. I continue to be an active member and hold a seat on YPN Parent Advisory Committee. YPN is an organization that I believe in. I've been able to get advice from other dads and also share my experience with some younger dads. Jim Brown, YPN's longtime Dads Group facilitator, has giving me wonderful advice and helped me though some difficult parenting problems. I'm now at a place that I get to have all my kids in my life; and I'm happily married to the love of my life with a new baby due in 2023. All of my kids have both parents in their lives and we even all come together for holidays and special occasions. Everyone is in a good place. I know that YPN was a true blessing for all of us!"

I am proof of what YPN does to support families!

~Tyler Miller, YPN Dad and Parent Advisory Board member



225

parents and

119

kids at our
Building Bright
Futures
weekly groups

40

weeks
per year
held at 2
locations

7+

languages
spoken by
YPN staff

**Free
NTS**

transportation
provided

Free

Childcare
provided

Free

school meal
provided

EARN

incentives while
you

LEARN

to be the best
parent!

YPN connects full-circle!

Stephanie Pineda wasn't a stranger to YPN when she started attending with Nick Youngs, and his children, Axl (age four) and Violet (age two). Several years ago, Stephanie was a work-study student working in the We Care Shop while attending college. It was fitting that when she and Nick started dating, she would encourage him to begin attending YPN classes. Stephanie had already been through these stages with her son but knew it would be different now that she was also co-parenting Nick's children. Nick quickly became a regular in the Dads Group and continued while Stephanie attended the Prenatal Group once they found out they were expecting. Nick and Stephanie just welcomed their daughter Zayelee! YPN is proud to be part of their story and the commitment they have made together as a family.

YPN was a great place to work while I was in school and raising my son. I enjoyed helping other parents in the We Care Shop, knowing that I was part of something positive. Now, being part of the YPN family with my partner and our children just makes perfect sense!

~Stephanie, YPN Mom



Diverse Programs

Since 2007, YPN began to offer our prenatal and parenting education to Latino families to serve our Spanish speaking population. Since then, we have continued to offer programming in various formats and languages to meet the need of our growing diversity. This allows us to connect and support families with multicultural and multilingual needs. Our African groups, facilitated by multilingual staff in English, French and Swahili, have grown ten times over since they began in 2017. In late 2021, we extended our programming to serve Afghan refugee families who are now living in Linn County. No matter where we meet families on their journey, we strive to leave our mark. We know that all people are deserving of love, respect, education and opportunity for a safe, successful life.

“ It is important for me to help [families] navigate their lives and to develop their children. ”

~Euphrasie Lukama



72
African families
served in all
YPN programs



Euphrasie Lukama
YPN African Community
Parent Educator



Sisters extend their family at YPN

Maria and her sister Carmela, joined YPN on the recommendation of another sister, who had also participated in the Latino Moms Group when she had her young children. Together, they have attended YPN for more than three years. They enjoy growing and learning alongside other mothers in Group. Today, Maria's daughters are four and one. Carmela now has a new three-month-old. Both moms feel that the group is a safe space that allows them to connect with others, laugh while learning, and be supported no matter what issues they may have. They find comfort with the network of other moms and children, who have become more than friends, but an extension of their family. They have also learned about other programs and opportunities within the community for their families from their YPN staff.

“ I come to YPN group every week because it is my adult time while the children play. YPN is a place where I feel comfortable, can laugh and learn new things, which all allow me to be a better mother ! ”

~Maria, YPN Latino Mom



51
Latino families
served in all
YPN programs



Lizbeth Salas-Landa
YPN Latino Community
Program Specialist



DIAPER Bank

a collaborative of



More than
1,452,500
diapers have
been given to
families in need
since 2016!

958
families
served

169,012
diapers given
to families in
2021!

1,635
packs of
baby wipes
distributed



Fighting Diaper Need one Family At A Time!

This year, the Eastern Iowa Diaper Bank (EIDB) celebrated six years of service. On average, a monthly supply of diapers costs \$80, and low-income families spend nearly 14 percent of their paycheck to diaper their children. It is estimated that one in three families nationwide struggle to afford diapers for their babies.

The EIDB was established in 2016 through a partnership with YPN and the Eastern Iowa Health Center (the Cedar Rapids-based federally qualified health center). Recently, HACAP (Hawkeye Area Community Action Program) joined the partnership. Clients of these organizations can enroll in the diaper bank program to earn diapers and wipes for their children through well-child visits, attending YPN programming, or participating in other services offered by these nonprofits.

The availability of a community diaper bank is an enormous asset as it allows families to save critical funds that can be used on other essentials like food and rent. Services such as these help people become more financially stable.

The Eastern Iowa Diaper Bank saw a steady growth in need and impact. 70,000 diapers distributed in 2017 grew to 246,000 in 2019 to a whopping 647,205 diapers in 2020! EIDB became a major resource center location after the Derecho. We had to come up with a plan and act quickly! This led to Community Diaper Days, where anyone in need can come to the Diaper Bank and receive free diapers. Since 2021, we have continued the drive-up community diaper day model on the last Wednesday of each month. The bank is also open to our regular participant families to receive up to 200 diapers per child per month.

We have a small but mighty group of staff and volunteers who run the Diaper Bank. We also have volunteers from families, business and schools who come together to host diaper drives and/or diaper packaging. There are many fun ways to get involved that take a small amount of time but make a huge impact to those in need.

“ I love the variety of people that I meet, and knowing that I am making a positive impact for families in our community. ”

~Judy Weber, EIDB Volunteer

10
volunteers
served
630
hours!



164,582
total diapers
collected in
2021



“ I enjoy helping those in need and seeing how many others really want to support our mission! Thank you! ”

~Tasia Davidson

Tasia Davidson
YPN We Care Shop and
Eastern Iowa Diaper Bank Coordinator



YOU can help!

Donate Funds

Every dollar helps keep babies clean, dry, and healthy!

Donate Diapers

Donations are accepted in person or purchased online using our Amazon Wish List.

Operation Diaper Drive

Our annual diaper drive takes place annually in October. Find collection boxes at Hy-Vee Food Stores in Cedar Rapids, Coralville and Iowa City!

Volunteer

Volunteers are needed to help package diapers. Contact us to learn more.

Host a Diaper Drive

Collect at your office, school, or place of worship.

Donation Hours:

Monday - Friday
8am - 4pm

Contact Us!

420 6th Street SE
Suite 180
Cedar Rapids,
IA 52401
319-364-8909

eidiaperbank.org

YPN Extends our Reach

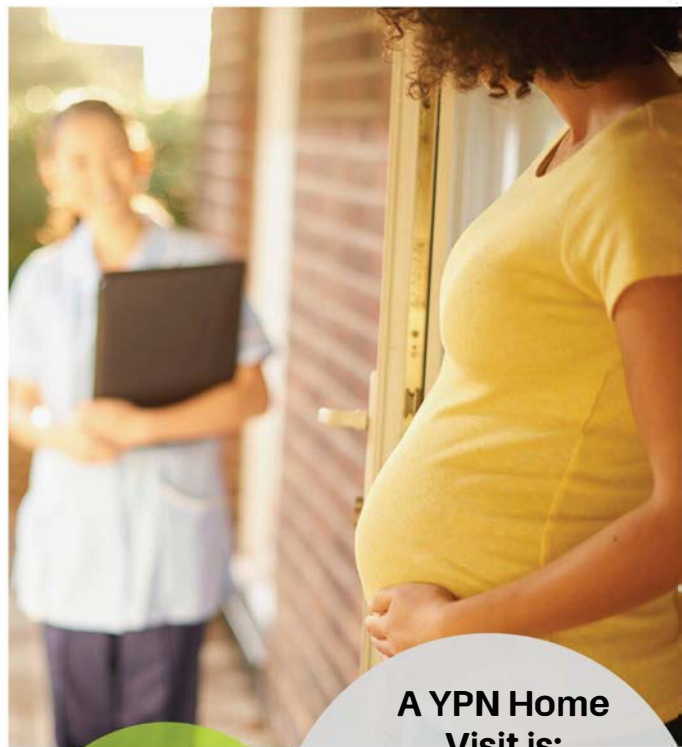
For many families, work and life schedules prevent them from being able to attend our Thursday evening groups. To combat this, YPN offers home visitations to families in Linn and Jones Counties. YPN uses the Parents as Teachers® curriculum, a globally recognized, evidence-based model, that promotes a reflective approach to support parent partnerships with their YPN Parent Educator, parent-child relationships, and family well-being. The information provided helps to improve behaviors and relationships between parents, children and the community.

Enosh, Anthonisen and Hardy arrived in the USA from Haiti in May of 2022. They went through many difficulties, and dangers leaving behind everything they knew. In addition, Hardy is three years old and has a medical condition that makes it difficult for him to walk. The YPN home visit program has been a resource for them. Their YPN educator has helped them with other parenting resources, translation support, referrals and accompaniment to various appointments.

Lizbeth, YPN's Latino Program Specialist, says "Enosh and his family stand out for taking initiative to meet their goals, and being open to improve and build on the knowledge they have so they can improve their lives and opportunities despite past adversity."

“ Our son is the most important in our lives, thank you YPN for being there whenever we need you, doing everything in your power and providing quality service. ”

~Enosh, YPN Home Visit Dad



YPN provided
890
home visits* to
109 families
with
126
children

Parents as Teachers®
evidence-informed and research-based curriculum

5
YPN Parent Educators
completed their 16-hour PAT Certification

A YPN Home Visit is:

- Centered on parent-child learning
- Focused on core child development areas
- Assist families with goal-setting and progress tracking

Another great home visitation success story comes from one of our Jones County families. Our Parent Educator met them when they first found out they were pregnant. This was a surprise, since they hadn't planned on getting pregnant and they knew they had a lot to learn. These parents worked diligently to prepare for their baby. Even with all of their preparation, things started off a little rocky because baby decided to make an appearance earlier than expected, but with the continued support of YPN home visitations, the parents now feel confident in their new role as Mom and Dad and everyone is doing great!

“ I really liked everything in this program. The home visits helped me to be the best mom ever! ”

~YPN Home Visit Mom



Kelsey Connick
YPN Parent Educator



Parents as Teachers.



*Home Visits are funded by Early Childhood of Iowa (ECI).

YPN offers Additional Education

We know that the challenges of parenting, relationships and communication do not end at age five when our core programs end. That is why we also offer curriculum and additional parenting programming and trainings that expand on the support given through core YPN programming. These groups provide additional opportunities for parents of children ages 0-18 living in Linn, Benton, and Iowa counties. YPN staff facilitates these opportunities for families to learn course material, connect with other families and find support. The information provided helps to improve behaviors and relationships between parents, children and the community. Initiatives offer solutions to managing stress and conflicts while providing opportunities to connect with additional resources. Learn more at www.ypniowa.org/tools-for-parents

“ **I get to choose the classes I take while being at Heart of Iowa. I will always choose YPN's DECAT classes because they are influential and impactful on my life.** ”

~Heart of Iowa Mom

"Parent Café"

engages and promotes deep individual self-reflection and peer-to-peer learning.

**YPN provided
133
hours of additional
programming**
through
31 available
courses**

"Love & Logic"

helps to create loving solutions while crafting caring and respectful relationships.

"Parents Forever"

A course that helps parents learn valuable skills to reduce effects of divorce or separation on their children and themselves.

"24/7 Dad"

curriculum teaches men the characteristics they need to be a good dad.

YPN served

225

parents and

335

children via Decat groups

"Understanding Dad"

sessions help mothers improve the relationships they have with fathers.

** These additional offerings are Linn/Iowa/Benton Counties Decategorization (Decat) Funded Programming.

“ **At YPN we serve a diverse group of families, from a variety of backgrounds, and speaking more than a half dozen different languages. Although there are differences, participants share in the commonality of love for their children and wanting to provide a solid foundation grounded in strong parenting skills and early learning from the very start.** ”

~Meridith Myers

Meridith Myers
YPN Director of Programs



The YPN We Care Shop

The YPN We Care Shop is incentive-based and allows families to earn points in a variety of ways; such as attending group meetings, attending prenatal and well-child visits, attending school or work, accessing counseling, achieving personal and family goals and many other healthy behaviors. The points are then taken to the We Care Shop to purchase much needed baby and child care items.

YPN participants can access the We Care Shop at designated times through the week. The We Care Shop is run by YPN staff and volunteers who will assist parents with their shopping needs. In the shop, they will find baby care items, formula, diapers, clothing 0-5T, toys, games, books, and more. The incentive helps families to save their cash to help pay for things like rent, utilities, and transportation.

The We Care Shop is also home to the Eastern Iowa Diaper Bank, to eliminate diaper need in our community. Donations of gently used or new clothing, toys, books, baby care items, diapers and more can be donated to the We Care Shop Monday-Friday 8am-4pm.

“ I don't know how I would have made it without being able to earn points to the We Care Shop. I was able to earn so many points while I was pregnant with my son; I was able to get stocked up on diapers, clothes and so much more. ”

~Molly, YPN participant

10
We Care
volunteers
served
503
hours in FY22

46,041
diapers and
243
packs of wipes
donated

\$60,555
total value of all
donation types
made to the We
Care Shop in
FY 22

YPN had
2,560
visits by
shoppers in
FY22

398+
community
donors to the
We Care Shop



Connie has been volunteering in our We Care Shop for more than six years. She comes in two days each week to help wash and hang clothing, restock shelves, bag diapers and assist shoppers. She has a smile and is always willing to help staff as needed. Our We Care Shop can get very busy with more than 2,500 shopper visits each year plus donations coming in daily. We are grateful to have Connie and our other We Care Shop volunteers who are dedicated to our mission and keep the shop running smoothly.

“ I enjoy seeing all of the families and children that come in to shop. ”

~Connie, YPN We Care Shop
Volunteer



YPN Volunteers don't miss a beat!

We have always said that YPN Volunteers are the best in our community. They are the heartbeat to our organization and we would not be able to provide the services that we do without them! Volunteers are vital to the success and longevity of YPN. By giving of their time and talents, these dedicated and caring individuals save our organization critical dollars that can go directly to supporting programming for the participants we serve. We invite you to join us! Visit www.ypniowa.org/volunteer or contact Heike via email: hwagner@ypniowa.org for a list of volunteer opportunities.

Jim Brown, YPN Dads Group facilitator, Board Member and volunteer since 2010 has recently been nominated by YPN for the United Way Lifetime of Volunteer Service Award. In 2019, Jim was selected from KCRG-TV9 Show You Care as a 9 Who Care finalist for his volunteerism. We truly believe that Jim is the epitome of a YPN Brand Ambassador and the love and loyalty, compassion, and guidance he has for the families in our program is mighty. Recently, Jim began the process of passing the baton of leading the Dads Group to another great volunteer, Mike Glavan. They have been working together during the transition and we want to express a note of appreciation for their dedication and support of our mission. We cannot thank these men enough for the leadership they provide and the dads they have created strong bonds with.



Mike Glavan & Jim Brown,
Dads group Volunteer Facilitators

“ As a YPN volunteer for over fourteen years, I have seen firsthand the wonderful work the organization does for so many parents. I am proud of and impacted by all of them. ”

~Jim Brown, YPN Volunteer and Board Member

634

Total volunteers served
3,778
hours in
FY22

DECAT:

38

volunteers served

211

hours

Building Bright
Futures:

463

volunteers served

2062

hours

Board of
Directors:

25

volunteers served

372

hours

We Care/EIDB:

108

volunteers served

1133

hours

Volunteer
time and
talent valued
at
\$92,176!



Barb Pino joined YPN as a volunteer in July of 2021 because of the wonderful work YPN does with educating and helping young parents. During the past year, she has helped in every area that we've needed a hand. From stapling paper work for DHS, counting and packaging diapers, folding and sorting clothes, assisting We Care Shoppers and nurturing youth in childcare, Barb is a valuable addition to our volunteer team and we are lucky to have her.

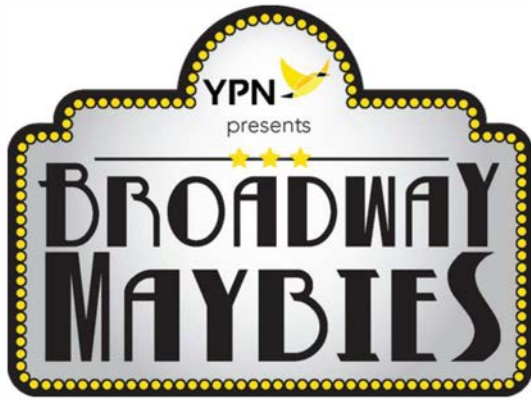
Barb is pictured above with YPN Volunteer Coordinator, Heike Wagner, at the United Way Time For Art Volunteer Awards, held in February 2022. Barb was recognized as a finalist from our Infant & Toddler Childcare Group.

“ I was able to see firsthand a participant use her points to get diapers, clothes and necessities for her one month old baby. I could see the appreciation on her face and how much she needed the help she received. ”

~Barb Pino, YPN Volunteer

Partnerships & Special Events

YPN is proud to be part of a generous and caring community that has supported our mission throughout our 37 years. These ongoing partnerships and relationships are invaluable and have helped YPN become the premier long-term, prenatal and parenting education provider in the area. Community support comes in many ways including financial contributions, sponsorships, volunteer time and talent, donations and in-kind gifts.



\$68,085
Net proceeds raised from our 32nd Annual Broadway Maybies Variety Show (includes raffle sales)

60+

local businesses provided sponsorships & raffle prizes including KCRG-TV9 Show You Care, and UFG.

500+

community members in attendance



\$21,048

Broadway Maybies In-Kind Support from media advertising & print service providers



Our 32nd annual Broadway Maybies Variety Show Fundraiser event was back on the TCR stage after being virtual due to the pandemic. As always, there were laughs and maybe some tears, but all for a good cause! Special thanks to all of our sponsors, donors, attendees and talent for a memorable night.



\$164,582

total diapers collected during 2021 event!



For our 6th Annual Operation Diaper Drive we partnered with local Hy-Vee stores to collect diapers and cash donations. We look forward to many more successful drives in the future and grateful for all of our sponsors and donors! Learn more at www.eidiaperbank.org

YouthPort



Three Organizations. One Mission.



Backpack & school supply drive
400+
bags to more than 300 families in need



YouthPort serves
1,000
individuals and
250+
families weekly

Lunch & Literacy:

21 youth were read
110+ books by
8 volunteers over
20 hours!
250+ books given away

YouthPort was created in 2012 to provide a referral network between each organization's programs & services. The result was fewer barriers for families in need so resources were easily accessible. Together, we provide safety, meals, academic support, parenting education, literacy & STEM initiatives, music & art therapy, and mental health counseling.

Part of the perks for families who participate in YPN programs are the annual events we host for them and their families. These events are made possible by corporate sponsors and holiday donations. Our annual Holiday Dinner and Holiday Shopping are open to parents who have participated consistently for 6+ months of the year. They can shop for brand new toys and stocking stuffers for each of their children. They are then wrapped by our volunteer elves. In FY21, we were able to provide this event as well as field trips, resource fairs, STEM and more. We would like to give special thanks to the local businesses who put YPN on their nice list and provide us with funds and toys to offer these special moments that parents and children will remember for many years to come.

200+

parents and children were served a holiday meal and greeted by Santa & Mrs. Claus



\$8,029

value of brand-new toys donated to our Holiday Campaign



100+

parents shopped for their children during our holiday shopping event in 2021



\$1,000+

value of Thanksgiving dinners donated



Field Trip to Indian Creek Nature Center
in April 2022



Resource Fair of 20+ area service providers
in September



Summer Picnic for 200+ people
in June 2022



STEM Funding from Collins Aerospace



STEM curriculum
with preschool kids throughout 2021-22

Corporate Funders & Sponsors

The following community partners supported YPN programs with cash or grant contributions at the \$1,000 level or higher between July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022. Thank you for your generous investment to our mission and future!
Individual/Family/Corporate & Business/Foundation and Non-profit contributions (includes restricted and unrestricted and sponsorship): \$197,598*; United Way of East Central Iowa (allocation and donor option): \$144,800*;
Broadway Maybies (includes raffle): \$68,085*; Grants: \$203,850* (some of these might also be considered sponsorship)



"When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed."

~Maya Angelou



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*July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

*Numbers are pre-audit. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy.

Brian Stutzman Giving Society

In 2020, the Brian Stutzman Giving Society was established to honor the former Executive Director's impact and legacy, and as a way of highlighting donor investment in the financial stability of YPN. As the agency plans for the future, it is imperative to think long-term and strategically to ensure young families in Eastern Iowa, and beyond, continue to have access to quality programs and services. To learn more visit us at www.ypniowa.org/give

Legacy - \$5,000+

Jon and Tatum Buse
Teri and Brian Donnelly
Brandi and Chris Mueller

Advocate Level - \$2500+

Anonymous
Jan Bloomhall
Kathy Donnelly
Chris and Lisa Edwards
Matt and Kate Evans
Mindy Olson and Ethan Domke

Oak Level - \$1,000+

Christy and Brian Brandt
Jim Brown and Cindy Reece
Ann and Dave Bunting
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Dawn and Brent Cobb
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Dana and John Ehrhart
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To become a member of the
Brian Stutzman Giving Society,
please mark your selection on
the enclosed envelope or
contact
Kim Hanna,
Director of Advancement.

319-364-8909

khanna@ypniowa.org

*Jan. 1, 2021-Dec. 31, 2021

Giving levels are determined by amount of
cash giving within a calendar year. Every
effort has been made to ensure accuracy.

*"The true meaning
of life is to
plant trees, under
whose shade you
do not expect
to sit."*

~Nelson Henderson



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