A message from the President & CEO

If there is one thing that sticks out to me most about 2019, it’s that it was certainly a year of growth and change at OHB. Thank you for standing with us as we celebrated many accomplishments throughout the year.

You made it possible for our two newest programs, Supportive Housing and Clinical Services, to open their doors in late 2018 and both programs saw tremendous growth in 2019. These programs allow us to serve even more youth and families in need in the community and expand our continuum of care to include behavioral and mental health services. Our Supportive Housing Program brings a 100-year first to OHB, allowing young parents to live with their children on our campus while working to become independent. I love seeing little ones around!

One of the most obvious signs of change during 2019 was the unveiling of our new OHB brand. Our new OHB identity incorporates all of the programs and services we offer and also has a fresh, modern look that takes us into the future. While our outward appearance has changed, our commitment to serving youth, young adults and families remains the same.

And finally, the most powerful, inspiring growth and change we celebrated at OHB in 2019 was that of our youth and families. You’ll see on the following pages how many people you’ve collectively helped through your support, but it’s so much more than that. You helped Calvin connect with a budgeting course that set him on the path towards financial stability. You helped Tatiana connect with driver’s education and helped her navigate car shopping. You helped Shawnda gain steady employment and move into her own apartment. Thank you for helping each and every person that walked through our doors in 2019!

As we begin 2020 and celebrate 100 years of service at OHB, we are committed to growing and adapting to meet the ever-changing needs of the community. Thank you for supporting our mission, our youth and our community. I invite you to join us in making the most of the opportunities that lie ahead!

Sincerely,

Jeff DeWispelare
President & CEO
"Without this program I wouldn't have a place where I can feel safe and call my home. Thank you for your support!"

Tiana
Since I’ve been out the home I’ve learned how to act more appropriately out in public.

I want to thank OHB for allowing me a second chance at life, learning basic skills to keep me in line.

If it wasn’t for OHB I’d still be running the streets landing myself in positions I shouldn’t have been in.

Michael
The Numbers Behind the Names
Understanding Who You’re Helping

Of the young adults who seek the guidance of OHB:

- **68%** come from a single parent household
- **66%** have been convicted of a crime
- **53%** have run away from home
- **36%** have never been employed

On average, clients report to have experienced three or more Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES).

Your support of Omaha Home for Boys not only helps these youth and young adults overcome their troubled pasts but it also benefits the community by reducing the negative impacts and high costs of unsupported, unprepared youth transitioning to adulthood.
Life Skills

Basic life skills, from grocery shopping, cooking and personal care to time management, goal setting and apartment maintenance, are taught in all of our programs at OHB. Thank you for helping our youth and families learn and practice these basic skills that will benefit them for a lifetime.

- 92% of clients report they have an active role in planning their goals
- 92% of clients maintained or improved their life skills outcomes
- 6,953 services for a total of over 28,000 hours of 1-on-1 assistance and mentoring provided
- 62 vital documents (licenses, social security cards, birth certificates) obtained by clients

Mental Health

Launched in late 2018, our new Clinical Services Program provides a comprehensive array of services that address mental health, behavioral health and substance abuse issues. Your support helped open the doors to this new program that fills a critical service gap in our community.

- Over 520 individual and family therapy sessions provided
- 89% of clients maintained or improved their mental health outcomes
- 96% of clients are able to complete their essential life activities
Since I’ve been at OHB, I’ve learned how to work and cook. Before I came to OHB, I was taking things from people and in/out of jail, but now I’m doing good. I am so grateful to have the opportunity to change my life.

- Jayvon
I don't know where I would be without Omaha home for boys this program changed my life completely.

Monae
Employment

Upon entering our OHB programs, 36% of youth have never been employed. Thank you for connecting youth with resume writing classes, interview preparation, job search training and work attire so that they can gain and maintain stable employment.

- 82% of OHB young people were employed
- 87% of clients maintained or improved their employment outcomes
- 468 employment services and trainings provided
- 82 youth improved their resumes
- 182 new employment experiences gained

Transportation

One of the most significant and most common obstacles that the young adults at OHB face is access to reliable, affordable transportation. Your support provided transportation solutions that truly allowed youth at OHB the opportunity to take their first steps towards independence.

- 668 transportation related services and trainings provided
- 176 bus passes and 35 Uber gift cards furnished
- 95% of clients maintained or improved their transportation outcomes
**Education**

Many of the youth and young adults who seek the guidance of OHB are so deficient in school credits that graduating high school seems impossible. Because of you, graduating becomes a reality for many and scholarships are available for those seeking higher education.

- **84%** of youth demonstrated a higher commitment to learning.
- **93%** of youth maintained or improved their education outcomes.
- **341** credits earned by transitional living and residential care students.
- **208** education services and trainings provided.
- **27** young people received OHB scholarship money.
- **84%** of clients maintained or improved their housing outcomes.

**Housing**

Whether living on our campus or in the community, youth and families in our programs are connected with housing assistance through a number of different services. Thank you for helping our clients achieve safe, stable housing so that they can become independent members of our community.

- **494** housing services and trainings provided.
- **133** young people received safe and stable housing.
- **84%** of clients maintained or improved their housing outcomes.
Before I came to OHB I struggled to find a spot to lay my head at night! OHB has helped me prepare for the future! Without this program I don't know where I would be!

Kejold
Because of You

These diverse achievements in 2019 were made possible by you!

1,312 youth, young adults, children and families at OHB.

Continuum of Care

Your support of Omaha Home for Boys helps guide individuals and families through our comprehensive array of programs and services that span all levels of care. Programs and services are integrated to help youth and families address immediate needs, plan for the future and ultimately become independent and self-sufficient.

Clinical Services
Crisis Stabilization
Residential Living
Transitional Living
Independent Living
Supportive Housing

A New Brand is Unveiled

We were honored to introduce our new OHB brand in November 2019. Our new brand encompasses our rich 100-year history while also taking us into our next century with a fresh, simplified look. The new, modern OHB identity embodies all of our programs and services and reflects our commitment to evolve and grow to meet the ever-changing needs of the community.

A Vision for Our Next Century

We launched an ambitious multi-year master planning process by conducting a community needs assessment. The next phase includes in-depth, focused one-on-one interviews and small group facilitation with stakeholders. The end result will provide us with a 10+ year master plan that will take us into our next century and ensure we are providing programs and services that meet the needs of the community.
A New Program Flourishes

The need for behavioral and mental health services is great in the North Omaha community and we are meeting that need with our new Clinical Services Program. Clinical Services launched in late 2018 and added two new services in 2019, evening reporting and crisis stabilization. Both services fill a critical service gap in the community and provide therapy, structure and support to teens.

A 100-Year First

Our Supportive Housing Program opened its doors in December 2018 and saw tremendous growth in 2019. The program provides affordable, stable housing to youth and young families and also offers on-site support services to help them advance their careers and education. For the first time in OHB’s 100-year history, we have young parents living with their children on our campus, keeping the family together while they work towards self-sufficiency. The new program has had a waitlist since May 2019.

Of the 15 young adults served by our Supportive Housing Program in 2019, eight of them had their children living with them. In all, 14 children benefited from the support their parents received from the new program.

Our new Day and Evening Reporting Programs provided a safe, structured, consistent and supportive environment to 65 teens who practiced social and independent living skills while they were expelled, suspended or out of school.

Thank you for making these accomplishments possible!
## Funding Sources

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Complete audited and certified financial statements and 990 are available at OHB.org or by emailing info@OHB.org.

**$82,966,540 total net assets as of October 31, 2019.**
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Together we can...  
Transform a Life & Strengthen a Community!

Ways You Can Help

**INVEST in Our Mission**
- Cash gifts
- Bequests or planned giving
- Monthly giving
- Gifts of livestock or grain
- Employer matching gifts

**SUPPORT Our Youth & Families**
- Attend a fundraising event
- Volunteer
- Donate needed goods
- Organize a donation drive

**ENGAGE in Our Conversation**
- Social media
- OHB Guild
- Awareness events

**CONNECT in Our Community**
- AmazonSmile
- TAGG
- Share Omaha

“"I continue to be a supporter of OHB because what Omaha Home for Boys gave to me is priceless.”

— Michael Hooper, former OHB youth

Give online at OHB.org or contact Lori Bechtold, Chief Development Officer, at giving@OHB.org or 402.457.7014 to learn more about ways to help.
In 2019, grant awards provided everything from workforce readiness classes, interview clothing and dental care to baby essentials, financial management trainings and transportation assistance. The generous grants awarded by the following foundations and organizations are greatly appreciated.

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In 2020, Omaha Home for Boys is celebrating 100 years of service.

Thank you for supporting our mission, our youth and families, and our community!