Dear Stakeholders,

An annual report typically looks back at accomplishments in the past year. However, because of COVID-19 it seems appropriate to begin with the present. Sherwood closed unexpectedly in mid-March. We hope to be fully open this coming fall with enhanced safety and cleaning measures in place to ensure the well-being of our staff and consumers.

We are pleased to tell you that, thanks to you, our donors, and solid planning by our Board of Directors and Leadership team, we continued staff salaries uninterrupted despite the closure.

Looking back, last year was exciting! With your help we completed the $3,500,000 Opportunities for a Lifetime Capital Campaign, completed construction and moved into our new addition. Our former home on Chestnut Avenue was sold to another wonderful non-profit agency that will be operating their school out of the building.

Serving as Board President has been a fulfilling experience, but I look forward to passing on board leadership to Leslie Sims, in 2020.

Sincerely,

Larry Hisle, President, Board of Directors

Laci Maltbie, Chief Executive Officer

Sherwood Autism Center - providing Opportunities for a Lifetime since 1974.
Sherwood Autism Center is funded by a combination of public dollars from the Missouri Department of Mental Health (Medicaid Waiver), fees from public school districts for services we provide their students, and fundraising.

**2018 – 2019 EXPENSES**

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**2018 – 2019 REVENUE**

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**Gifts with Impact!**

Beat The Blues, Sherwood’s signature event, continued to grow in 2019. More than 400 guests – twice the number that attended in 2018 – danced the night away at The Abbott event venue. Sherwood raised more than $101,000 to benefit the Opportunities for a Lifetime capital campaign. Special thanks to event chairs Ryan and Mandy Gray and auction co-chairs Teresa Doty and Kristin Vaughn-Petersen.

Major donors to the Opportunities for a Lifetime capital campaign included:

- The Sunderland Foundation
- The J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation
- Hall Family Foundation
- Harry Wilson Loose Trust, Bank of America, N.A., as Trustee
- John and Marny Sherman
- Ronald D. Deffenbaugh Foundation
- The Sosland Foundation
- William T. Kemper Foundation
- Francis Family Foundation, David and Janis Francis Discretionary Fund
- The H&R Block Foundation
- Anonymous
- The Goppert Foundation
- Oppensteiner Brothers Foundation
- E. Kemper and Anna Curry Carter Community Memorial Trust
- Arvin Gottlieb Charitable Foundation
- JE Dunn Construction
- Bob & Amy Dunn
- Brad & Ginny Epsten
- Stanley H. Durwood Foundation
- Royals Charities
- Village Presbyterian Church
- V & H Charitable Foundation
- Spire, Inc.
- Helen S. Boylan Foundation
- The Kirk Foundation
- Mariner Wealth Advisors
- Kevin Dunn Family Foundation
- Larry and Elizabeth Hisle
- Mader Foundation
- Lauren Morgan
- Flo Harris Foundation
- Nathan & Lisa Martin
- Laci Maltbie
- Steve & Sarah Guthrie
- Feist Charitable Foundation
- Leslie Sims
- Klish Charitable Foundation
- Klumb Family Foundation
- Linda Ray
- David Green
- Patricia Uhlman
- Lance & Kerry Schmittling
- Muriel McBrien Kauffman Foundation
- Richard & Christine Hernandez
- Megan Carman
- J. Dale Youngs
- G.R.A.M. (Grandmothers Raising Autism Money)

Sherwood also welcomed gifts from:

- United Way and the Combined Federal Campaign, $68,700 to pay for operating expenses
- Village Presbyterian Church, $5,000 to provide classroom furniture
Making a Difference

Pat O’Dell — Volunteer in the Spotlight
It was a dark and scary basement that smelled of damp and mold. Cobwebs clouded the tiny windows. No one wanted to venture down the dark steps.

Until volunteer Pat O’Dell said, “I can fix this.” And he did.

Today the basement is bright and boxes are neatly stacked on shelves. There is new lighting and the walls are clean and painted white. It does not smell musty.

Rehabbing the dingy basement was only one of dozens of tasks Pat, a retired millwright, has tackled since he began volunteering in April 2019. Since then he has clocked more than 700 volunteer hours – saving Sherwood thousands of dollars in maintenance costs.

Pat volunteers at Sherwood because he remembers watching a friend whose child had autism. According to Pat, “I am thankful for organizations such as Sherwood who are dedicated to making a difference in the lives of children with autism and their families. The staff do the heavy-lifting, not me.”

Volunteer Hall of Fame
• Centurions
• Cleaver Family YMCA – Togetherhood Committee
• E&K of Kansas City
• Lockton

• MarksNelson
• Ryan Lawn & Tree
• Serve KC
• Scovell Remodeling
• USDA – Risk Management Agency

Last year 285 volunteers gave 927 hours valued at $23,574.

You can join the Hall of Fame:
Volunteers, like the employees from MarksNelson, LLC pictured above, help Sherwood accomplish so much more than we can with our limited maintenance and fundraising staff. If you or your company want to make a difference in the lives of children and adults with autism please contact Kelsey Derohanian, Development Coordinator, 816-333-3344 or kderohanian@sherwoodcenter.org.
Sherwood broke ground on the Opportunities for a Lifetime construction phase on April 3, 2019. This project transformed an empty parking lot into a fully functioning facility to help our adult consumers live more independently and secure employment. We also refurbished our school to include brighter classrooms with private learning or calming spaces for students.