



St. Mary's Early Childhood Center is a not-for-profit agency that offers two initiatives designed to impact school readiness and provide significant life-long positive outcomes: The Preschool Program and Professional Development Program.

The Preschool Program serves up to 152 three- to five-year-old children in our classrooms at two sites in Indianapolis. 93% of the children live in poverty.

The Professional Development Program provides activities for community educators to allow them to provide high-quality early learning experiences to ensure the success of children served at their schools.

Every person involved—from full time staff to volunteers to Board Members—is passionately committed to providing the best possible education for ALL of the children we serve that will result in lifelong success. We invite you to join us!

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St. Mary's

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Godparent Program





History

St. Mary's Early Childhood Center was founded in 1961. The Godparent Program was created by a group of committed supporters interested in changing the lives of the children at St. Mary's. The building at 901 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St. was built and handed over debt-free by prominent members of the community to St. Mary's Early Childhood Center in 1986. In order to continue serving children living in poverty through our programs, this same group created the Godparent Program to raise funds. Initially, Godparents focused on support through events, which include the Golf Outing, the Raffle, a Night of Miracles, and the Luncheon.

Today, over 300 Godparents are supporting the children living in poverty that attend our Preschool Program through our scholarship assistance. St. Mary's provides full scholarships of \$10,000 per year for 74% of our children and partial scholarships to another 19%. Families receiving scholarships are asked to pay \$10 per week. No child has ever been denied services because the family cannot pay.

Program

WHO

Godparents are the backbone of our organization. They are the precious supporters who have chosen to make a personal commitment to St. Mary's Early Childhood Center.

WHY

Godparents change the lives of the children we serve by providing much needed funding, attending events and even spending time in the classrooms.

HOW

Support can be provided through special events or direct donations. Giving levels for Godparents are determined through all donations between January 1 and December 31 each year and fall within the following five levels:

- \$1,000-\$1,999
- \$2,000-\$4,999
- \$5,000-\$9,999
- \$10,000-\$24,999
- \$25,000+

Special event support includes donations through sponsorships, reservations, ticket purchases and item purchases. The Godparent Program is designed so money can be raised instead of donated directly from your pocket. Examples include selling raffle tickets or purchasing a company-sponsored foursome in the golf outing to entertain clients. All combinations of donation methods will be used to determine annual level.

Donations can be made directly through cash or stock gifts also. Automatic monthly donations can be scheduled for ease in meeting the commitment.

Registration Form

NAME: _____

SPOUSE NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

COMPANY ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

PHONE - PERSONAL: _____

PHONE - WORK: _____

EMAIL: _____

NAME OF SPONSORING GODPARENT: _____

PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS:

____ HOME ____ WORK

BIRTHDAY: ____ / ____ / ____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

Please return this form by mail to our Thompson location or by email. For more information, contact Shannon Mason at 317.361.4882 or smason@stmarysecc.org.