

## TLP e-newsletter

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### Get Involved

#### TLP Community Meeting

April 17, 5:30 p.m.

Enjoy dinner at Belfort House and learn about the latest goings-on throughout the TLP community at **5:30 p.m. April 17.**

#### Baking Cookies with TLP Associates

April 29, 5 p.m.

Join the TLP Associates, TLP's junior board, for a cookie-baking session at Belfort House at **5 p.m. April 29.**

#### Groundbreaking

**Dear Nia,**

*On May 1, from 5:30 to 7 p.m., at 3739 S. Indiana Ave., Teen Living Programs will host a groundbreaking ceremony for our new residential facility. We hope you will join us for this momentous occasion! Please RSVP to [Pilara Felgate](#) at 312-568-5700, ext. 225, by April 28.*

### Executive Director's Update

By David L. Myers



It's amazing to think that we'll be breaking ground on a new residential facility in less than a month. Thanks to our many friends, we've already raised \$2.5 million toward our \$3.8 million goal. The May 1 ceremony will be an exciting event in TLP history, yet what excites me even more is what the new building will be for the youth we serve.

The new 12,000-square-foot residence will be a modern, efficient, durable building that will increase TLP's overall capacity from 36 to 42 beds. (This includes 10 apartments scattered throughout the city in our independent living program.) The new residence will have an eight-bed emergency shelter and 24 transitional living bedrooms.

The new building (yet to be named) will also have a large common area, a study lounge, a computer lab, new dining and kitchen facilities, a new health clinic and counseling offices. Most important, the state-of-the-art building will elevate the environment that helps TLP create hope and opportunity for youth who are homeless.

I hope you will join us from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 1,

## Ceremony

May 1, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Join TLP staff, youth, board members and friends of the agency as we break ground on TLP's new residential facility.

The ceremony will be from **5:30 to 7 p.m. May 1 at 3739 S. Indiana Ave.**

## TLP Associates

### Meeting

May 19, 6 p.m.

TLP's junior board will meet to discuss upcoming fundraisers and recreational activities with TLP youth at the Hubbard Street office at **6 p.m. May 19.**

## A Toast to TLP

May 29, 7 to 10 p.m.

Raise a glass (or two) to TLP with the TLP Associates during this fundraiser at U.S. Beer Co. (1801 N. Clybourn Ave.) from **7 to 10 p.m. May 29.**

**Contact**  
**[Pilara Felgate](#)**  
for more information about any of the events listed above.

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at 3739 S. Indiana Ave. to help [Teen Living Programs](#) celebrate this major step in building a new home for Chicago's homeless youth.

## Youth News

### *Belfort House Graduation*



Congratulations to Elliot, TLP's newest alumnus! Elliot graduated from [Belfort House](#) on April 3 and moved into Hull House's Emerge program. Even though he will no longer be living at Belfort House, Elliot will always be part of the TLP family, and we look forward to seeing him at future events. Congratulations, Elliot, for everything you have achieved!

## Upcoming Events

### *Groundbreaking Ceremony*

Join TLP staff, youth, board members and friends of the agency as we break ground on our new residential facility Thursday, May 1. The ceremony will be from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at 3739 S. Indiana Ave. We hope you will come and celebrate this exciting event in TLP history! Please RSVP by April 28 to [Pilara Felgate](#) at 312-568-5700, ext. 225.



## *A Toast to TLP*

Looking to get involved with TLP **and** network with young

professionals? Join the TLP Associates, TLP's junior board, for its annual fundraiser May 29 at U.S. Beer Co. (1801 N. Clybourn). Doors open at 7 p.m., and the fun will go until 10 p.m. More than 150 people will attend - [RSVP today to Pilara Felgate](#) at 312-568-5700, ext. 225. Tickets are \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door.

## Recent Grants

*Thank you, [SUPERVALU Foundation](#), [VNA Foundation](#), [Project RUSH](#), and the [Patrick and Anna M. Cudahy Fund](#), for your recent grants in support of Teen Living Programs!*

**The SUPERVALU Foundation** awarded Teen Living Programs a \$75,000 grant for general operating support. This grant will fund TLP's many programs for youth who are homeless, including [Whole Health](#). (Through the nutrition component of this program, TLP's full-time culinary nutritionist teaches youth how to shop for and prepare delicious, *nutritious* meals.) Thank you, SUPERVALU Foundation, for your support and partnership!

**The VNA Foundation** awarded Teen Living Programs a \$65,000 grant in support of our [Whole Health program](#). With this grant, TLP will continue to assist our youth meet their nutritional, physical and mental health needs, as well as teach them how to manage their own health. Thank you, VNA Foundation, for your continued support and partnership!

**Project RUSH** awarded Teen Living Programs a \$9,943 grant for the purchase of a used van. TLP staff members will use this vehicle to take youth to [recreational](#), [vocational](#) and [educational](#) activities. Thank you, Project RUSH, for your continued support and partnership!

**The Patrick and Anna M. Cudahy Fund** awarded Teen Living Programs a \$7,500 grant for general operating support. This grant will help TLP provide housing, supportive services, and outreach and prevention programs, helping us fulfill our mission of providing hope and opportunity for youth who are homeless. Thank you, Cudahy Fund, for your continued support and partnership!

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**stock, or online with a credit card.**

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Teen Living Programs  
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Chicago, IL 60610-4524

or visit our [Web site](#) to make a secure online donation.

Questions? Call [Nia Tavoularis](#), director of development, at 312-568-5700, ext. 228.

Thank you for your support!

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