

Dear Friend,

Twenty-four years ago, a rare virus took the life of our 18-month-old daughter and sister Paige. The *On Cloud Nine* event has allowed us and our late wife and mother, Lauren, to keep Paige's spirit alive by creating opportunities for other children. Lauren spent the last third of her life working to help Chicago children achieve their dreams with profound generosity and grace, and her devotion carries on through this event. She was reunited with Paige in July of 2015 after a courageous 18-month battle with brain cancer. In loving memory of both Paige and Lauren, we honor the commitment our family made to turn grief into opportunity for others.

We continue to partner with Horizons for Youth to create *On Cloud Nine* as its mission perfectly aligns with our family's personal passion of helping students from low-resource areas recognize and achieve their full potential. **Horizons for Youth is the only organization in Chicago that provides scholarship, mentoring, and enrichment programs for children from kindergarten through high school, with continued academic and socio-emotional support through college.**

*On Cloud Nine* has raised over \$6.6MM, enabling Horizons for Youth to grow from 42 students in 2000 to over 200 students today. It has been our honor to support this impactful organization, and we ask that you consider joining our efforts by becoming a sponsor of the 24<sup>th</sup> *Annual On Cloud Nine* event on Saturday, February 43 2024 at Morgan Manufacturing.

Please join us as we celebrate 24 years of making a difference in the lives of Chicago children and their families. Together, we can continue to provide the comprehensive support services that will enable Horizons for Youth students to gain access to a quality education and graduate from college.

Sincerely,  
Kent, Zach & Dylan Barnett

## 24<sup>th</sup> Annual *On Cloud Nine* Event Fact Sheet

### Details:

Saturday, February 3, 2024

Morgan Manufacturing

401 N. Morgan Street, Chicago, IL 60642

7pm - 11:00pm

500 guests • Raffle • Light Fare • Open Bar • Live Music & Dancing • VIP Lounge

### History:

*On Cloud Nine* was founded in memory of Paige Barnett, who passed away on February 2, 2000 at the age of 18 months. *On Cloud Nine* was established in 2001 to celebrate Paige's life and to support the children of Horizons for Youth. The event also pays tribute to Lauren Heath, who passed away in July of 2015, after a courageous battle with brain cancer. Over the last 23 years, *On Cloud Nine* has raised over \$6.6 million to support Horizons for Youth student scholarships, one-on-one mentoring and tutoring, and enrichment opportunities.

### Previous Event Sponsors:

a5 Inc.

Advanced Group

Anonymous

The Barnett Family

Phil Barnett & Colleen Philbin

Belvedere Trading

Paul & Kate Bradley

Anne & James Carey

The Coffey Family / Fresh Wave

Chicago Board of Trade

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# On Cloud Nine

BENEFITING  
**HORIZONS FOR YOUTH**

## **PRESENTING** **\$50,000**

Feature story presented on HFY website during January & February

6 month (Jan-June) marketing & social media campaign customized to sponsor goals

Name & logo featured year round on HFY website and in all pre and post event communication

Logo featured alongside HFY logo on event ticketing page

Verbal & visual recognition at event & during the program

**Up to 20 Guests**

## **BENEFACTOR** **\$25,000**

Feature story presented on HFY website in March

3 month (Jan-March) marketing & social media campaign customized to sponsor goals

Name & logo featured year round on HFY website and in all pre & post event communication

Logo featured prominently on ticketing page

Verbal & visual recognition at event & during the program

**Up to 15 Guests**

## **PATRON** **\$10,000**

Pre and post event stand-alone, tailored social media recognition

Logo featured on ticketing page

Verbal & visual recognition at event & during the program

**Up to 10 Guests**

## **SUPPORTER** **\$7,500**

Pre and post event stand-alone, tailored social media recognition

Logo featured on ticketing page

Visual recognition at event & during the program

**Up to 10 Guests**

## **EVENT** **\$5,000**

Logo featured on ticketing page

Visual recognition at event & during the program

**Up to 10 Guests**



**On Cloud Nine**  
In Memory of Paige Barnett & Lauren Heath  
Morgan Manufacturing - February 3, 2024

**SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT**

I elect to sponsor the 24th Annual *On Cloud Nine* in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Company name** (as to appear in credits): \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact name** (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT INFORMATION – Please check one:**

Check enclosed.     I will send a check.     Please send me an invoice.

I will pay by credit card. As specified here, I authorize Horizons for Youth to charge my:

Visa     MasterCard     Discover     American Express

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

CVV: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please email an electronic copy of your company logo to [development@horizons-for-youth.org](mailto:development@horizons-for-youth.org), along with the completed form, or return via mail to the Horizons for Youth lockbox:

**Horizons for Youth – P.O. Box 772492, Detroit, MI 48277-2492**

**Horizons for Youth’s tax-exempt ID number:  
36-3796784.**

# Our Program at a Glance

## OUR WORK:

### Support Beyond the Classroom

Horizons for Youth is a community committed to helping children recognize and achieve their full potential. In partnership with dedicated families, we provide academic support, one-on-one mentoring, and enrichment programs. Our unique combination of services ensures that our students develop the skills they need to succeed in high school, college, and in their careers.



## Intensive Academic Support

- School Selection Support
- School Partnerships/Scholarships
- Academic Monitoring
- Tutoring
- Shalanda's Scholars
- Summer Academic Program

## Strong Family Partnerships

- Family Selection Process
- Contract Fulfillment Process
- Parent Cafes/Workshops
- Community Events
- Social-emotional Support, Including Counseling

## Impactful Community Networks

- Mentoring
- Outings and Workshops
- Partnerships
- Horizons for Youth Family Support Program

## OUR IMPACT:

### Consistent, Outstanding Results

Nationally, only 11% of youth born into the lowest-economic quintile earn a college degree. Our college-persistence rate stands in stark contrast to this, with 84% of our High School Program graduates either having completed college or continuing to persist toward graduation.

We are Chicago's only organization providing a comprehensive suite of wraparound services and tuition scholarships for children at both the elementary and high school levels, with continued academic and socio-emotional support throughout college.

## OUR GROWTH:

### From 5 Kindergarteners to over 200 K-College Students

Founded in 1991, we began with five children as an elementary-only scholarship and mentoring organization and have evolved over time to continue to meet our students' emerging needs. For the 2023-2024 school year, we're serving over 200 students, aged kindergarten through college, and their families, from high-need areas on the south and west sides of Chicago.



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## Our Impact on Education



**96%**

Of Horizons for Youth students, K-12, perform at or above grade level



**100%**

Of Horizons for Youth students graduate from high school



**84%**

Of Horizons for Youth students persist to and through college