Dear Friends,

In 2011, we zealously pursued our mission to empower Chicagoans facing the challenges of poverty by delivering and developing significant programs and services for children, youth, and adults.

Through our various educational programs, we reached more than 1,100 students through K-12 tutoring, college readiness, and SAT prep; more than 2,600 children, youth, and adults with the support of 15 full-time and 1 part-time staff; 15 partner organizations, and more than 2,800 volunteers. We also launched an annual fundraising board-wide mail with youth leaders who have made an impact as ambassadors for Chicago Lights.

Standing behind our outreach efforts in 2011 was a spirited community of 1,100 donors. We were thrilled that so many came together to raise an incredible $350,000 at our annual gala in February and that several of you donned your walking shoes or pledged your support to help raise $27,040 in food credits for our Social Services Corporation.

Numbers alone cannot tell the stories of the people who are transformed by our mission that makes Chicago Lights continue to shine.

Debts continue to grow! • Tell another person about how involvement with Chicago Lights has touched your life. • Send us a note about how involvement with Chicago Lights has touched your life. • Consider a lifetime financial gift or an increase in your giving this year.

Thank you for all you do to help us change the lives of so many people in need.

With gratitude,

Stacy Jackson

As of April 2012

Revenues

Total revenue $1,859,715

Surplus (deficit) $14,655

Total disbursements $1,874,370

Help Chicago Lights continue to grow!

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Chicago Lights is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Contributions are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

You may also donate online at www.chicagolights.org or by calling 312.981.3380. Every gift makes a difference. Thank you!
We are grateful to the partners and individual, foundation, and corporate donors who support our vital mission to help us provide for more than 5,000 people facing the challenges of poverty.

**Partners**
- Levy Restaurants
- Jane Addams Senior Caucus
- Interfaith Council for the Homeless
- Francis W. Parker School
- ETA Theatre
- DePaul Family and Community Health Center
- Chicago Teachers Pension Fund
- Chicago Public Schools
- Cabrini-Green Legal Aid Clinic
- Cabrini-Green Tutoring Program
- Breaking Bread

**Individuals**

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**Foundations & Corporations**

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**“I’m in a better place today than I was a year ago. And I’ll be in a better place a year from now with the help and support I still get.”**

—Evanston Social Services Center Client

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**“I can deal with school better because my tutor and I approach learning together. She wants to see me learn and succeed. I want to succeed.”**

—Gwendolyn, Ninth grade Tutoring student