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Dear Lutheran Church Congregation,

A message from a former youth; I was a resident at Bethesda for two years in the late 90's. I came from a housing project south of Pittsburgh, and the change of scenery did me well. There was the initial anxiety and pain from being taken away from my mother, but in the long run my experiences at Bethesda probably saved my life and I still cherish the many memories I have of them and wish them all the best. – Rhaegar

This is just one of thousands of stories from our previous residents and those that have been through the programming at Bethesda. Donors like you are the only reason that Bethesda has been able to provide Promising Futures for children and youth just like the one above for over 100 years.

Your support is key to helping the children and youth that come to Bethesda in their hardest moments. Would you be willing to join in our mission of providing Promising Futures? With a gift during this month's calendar of causes, you will be supporting the ongoing programming that serves over 7000 children and youth annually.

If you wish to contribute, you can make a tax-deductible gift online at www.bethesda1919.org/donate or by contacting our development office at (814) 724-7510 ext. 228. Every donation makes a difference to the children and youth we serve!

Thank you so much for your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amanda Shields".

Amanda Shields | Development Office

P.S. If you are able, we would love for you to share the attached donor card with more great information about the work of Bethesda, and our Promising Futures Campaign.