



# Life Navigators 2019 Impact Report



## Securing Bright Futures

## Highlights of Our Year Made Possible By You

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### **You Eliminated our Building Debt to Secure Bright Futures.**

Because of your support last year, we are operating completely debt free and are able to focus our resources on our critical services for kids and adults with disabilities.



### **You Allowed us to Expand our Trust Program to Offer a Trust III for Individuals 65 and Over.**

Tillie is a member of the Life Navigators Trust Program and, she is so thankful for the peace-of-mind that her Trust III provides. For more information on our Trust III – Pooled Trust, visit our Trust Program website page.



### **You Raised \$375,000 for a Record Year at our 36th Annual Challenger Event.**

A huge thank you to Chris & John McDermott and our many generous donors and friends for their continued support. We were amazed to have had a sold out crowd that enjoyed a beautiful day of golf, a wonderful dinner, an exciting auction and an inspiring program.



**Life Navigators is Your Disability Partner.  
Supporting individuals with disabilities to  
live, work and volunteer in our community.**

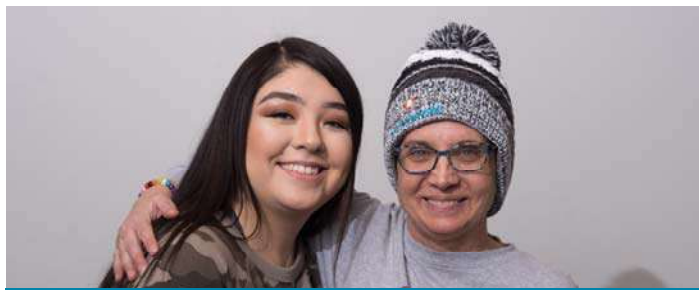


## Our Programs and Services Served Over 4,825 Kids, Adults and Families



### Information, Education & Assistance

Offering an array of services that impact kids and adults with disabilities and their families  
2,625 Served



### Self-Advocacy & Independence

Creating opportunities to participate in social activities and trainings in our community  
1,280 Served



### Corporate Guardianship

Ensuring the health, safety and happiness for those without family to provide this support  
51 Served



### Trust Program

Planning for the financial needs of individuals and families for bright futures  
324 Served



### Care Management Unit

Coordinating long-term care services for adults eligible for the Family Care Program  
438 Served



### Family Support

Providing resources and programs to support older adults, aging caregivers and families  
107 Served

**Thank you for supporting kids and adults with disabilities!**



# Our Financial Report

## 2019 Financial Summary

### Support and Revenue

Contributions and Grants	\$ 480,533
Legacies and Bequests	\$ 7,743
Government Service Contracts	\$ 236,731
Program Fees & Fee for Service	\$ 1,165,456
Events and Projects	\$ 297,889

### Other Revenue

Pooled Trust Distribution	\$ 66,577
Investment & Miscellaneous Income	\$ 231,327

Total Revenue \$ 2,486,256

### Program Expenses

Information, Education and Advocacy	\$ 484,023
Guardianship	\$ 95,047
Trust Program	\$ 99,430
Family Support	\$ 51,266
Care Management Unit	\$ 1,109,387
Administration	\$ 109,041
Development	\$ 168,778

Total Expenses \$ 2,116,972

### Net Assets

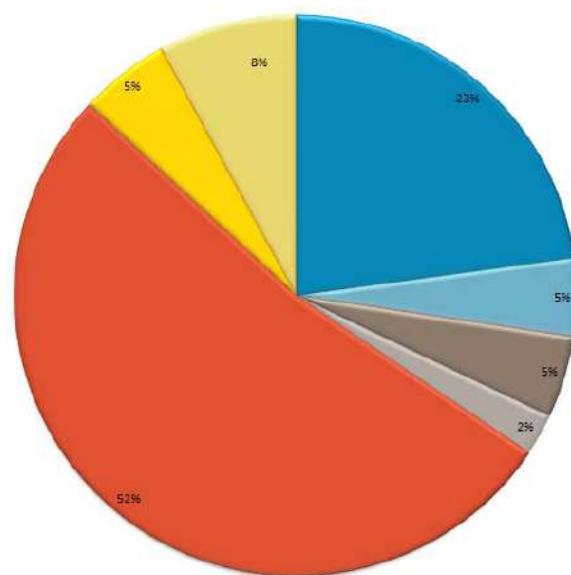
Total End of Year Net Assets \$ 2,885,067

### Mission Statement

Life Navigators' mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals with developmental and related disabilities, their families, and the community through information, education, advocacy and life planning services.

### Service Expenditures

<b>Info, Education &amp; Advocacy</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>Care Management Unit</b>	<b>52%</b>
<b>Guardianship</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>Administration</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Trust Program</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>Development</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>Family Support</b>	<b>2%</b>		



## Board of Directors

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Thank you to our board members who give so generously of their time, talent and resources to positively impact Life Navigators' mission.

### Executive Committee

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**Per our agency by-laws,  
51% of our board members have a  
family member with a disability.**



## Staff Members

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Thank you to our staff members who work each day to support individuals with disabilities to be active and connected in our community.

### Executive Staff

Crystal Melk  
Ally O'Leary  
Laura Rosinsky-Zeisse  
Mary Till  
Vicki Wachniak

Care Manager—Lead Supervisor  
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Program Director  
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### Registered Nurses

Janelle Jajtner  
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April Schrank  
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### Program Coordinators

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### Administrative & Development Staff

Elizabeth Casey  
Amanda Stahmann  
Denise Wright

Program Assistant  
Marketing & Development Manager  
Administrative Assistant



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**We have the best donors and friends!**

**Thank you for positively impacting kids and adults with disabilities.**

**January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019**

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on Matt and many others.*



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## Our 2020 Goals The Year Ahead—Meeting the Need

### You Can Help us Expand Our Guardianship Program.

Providing for those with the greatest needs who do not have a family member to fulfill the critical role of keeping them safe, happy and healthy. By expanding our Guardianship program, we will be able to serve an additional 50 adults with disabilities.



### You Will Create a Lasting Impact by Joining our Leave-a-Legacy Program.

Planning for the financial and service needs of individuals with disabilities to create bright futures. Your planned gift will create a lasting impact and allow us to secure the future for more kids and adults with disabilities.



### Family Support

Assisting families to provide peace of mind and critical support services. Our goal is to expand our Family Support program to serve additional families in need of information, education and assist younger families with futures planning services.



**Expanded Trust Options for All Ages**  
**With expanded Trust options, we are spreading the word in our community!**





## Our 2020 Goals The Year Ahead—Let's Stay Connected

### Connect with Us on How You can Help Us Achieve our 2020 Goals

Interested in learning more about our 2020 goals and how you can impact kids and adults with disabilities? Contact our Executive Director, Vicki Wachniak, at 414-774-6255 or [Vicki@lif navigators.org](mailto:Vicki@lif navigators.org).



### Visit [LifeNavigators.org](http://LifeNavigators.org)

Our mobile friendly website provides information on upcoming events, accepts online contributions and hosts our free Online Resource Guide for disability services.



### Contact us and Stay Connected

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## Your Opportunities to Stay Involved



### Host an Emergency Needs Drive

Businesses and community groups host drives to collect basic living items to keep kids and adults with disabilities healthy all year.



### Volunteer with Us

Sponsor one of our Game Nights by providing a warm meal or raffle prizes and then play board games with kids and adults.



### Visit Us

Schedule a tour to visit our renovated facility and see our expanded services.



### Like Us

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### Sponsor an Event

Our Challenger Event and other fundraisers offer sponsorship and underwriting opportunities benefiting our disability services.



### Partner with Us

Donations of tickets, performances and trainings allow our consumers and families to enjoy activities throughout our community.

## Thank you for supporting kids and adults with disabilities!