

During the COVID-19 pandemic, CLC remains committed to providing quality legal services to youth in Kentucky and Ohio pursuant to orders issued by the Kentucky and Ohio Supreme Courts. CLC continues to monitor and respond to systemic issues impacting clients due to COVID-19 with a focus on juveniles in detention facilities, education issues, and children in need of protection through policy, litigation, and educational materials. The need for CLC's services has continued, and in some circumstances increased. The world is only beginning to see the impact of COVID-19, and the need for CLC's services will continue to increase the longer families and children are practicing being healthy at home.

Executive and operations staff continue to provide necessary support remotely to keep the office functioning with communication occurring virtually between staff, clients, and community partners. CLC is working closely with universities and law schools to ensure that students in CLC's Student Program and the NKU Chase Children's Law School Clinic were able to fulfill their requirements for this semester. CLC anticipates no changes in its long-standing student summer program; however, that may change depending on future circumstances.

COVID-19 has dramatically impacted revenue CLC anticipated in 2020. CLC's largest annual fundraiser, Dancing with the CLC Stars, was scheduled for May 28th has been postponed. While CLC knows that postponing the fundraiser was the right thing to do, it will be a challenge to replace the revenue the fundraiser would have provided, even with assistance from the CARES Act, particularly given an increase in the need of CLC's services. As a result of the postponement of the fundraiser, and a refocus of funding strategies by some funders, CLC's revenue is down 25% from this time last year.

CLC Board of Directors and staff have shifted their focus from creating a new comprehensive long-term strategic plan to developing a Special Task Force intended to address the immediate needs of CLC and the clients it serves in response to COVID-19. The Special Task Force is developing a plan that will focus on program services and delivery, financial implications, and immediate and short-term fundraising strategies.

