ABOUT US

OUR HISTORY

Guiding Light Mentoring was founded in 2014 by CEO Latisha Owens. Ms. Owens felt a calling from God to provide youth with guidance, support, and encouragement in making positive decisions that would lead to a successful life.

In her obedience to God, Ms. Owens started the business with just 5 mentors and 5 mentees and no budget. Ms. Owens believed so strongly in her calling, she used her own money to initially fund the organization. Relationships built through Guiding Light Mentoring have proven that mentoring is a key factor in the healthy development of youth.

Since its establishment, the organization has served over 200 youth.

OUR MISSION & VISION

Our vision is to provide the opportunity for youth to achieve their full potential to live a successful and rewarding life.

Our mission is to provide youth with guidance, support, and encouragement to make positive decisions that lead to a successful life.
OUR IMPACT

Guiding Light Mentoring embraces youth from diverse backgrounds and provide the tools necessary to improve decision making, increase confidence and attain resilience. Our programs integrate various resources that motivate youth to take a proactive role in implementing the required changes to drive success.

We take pride in empowering our youth as they acquire personal development and leadership skills and journey with us to create sustainable partnerships in their communities.

**Mentor to Youth Growth**

- 2014: 
- 2015: 
- 2016: 
- 2017: 
- 2018: 

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<th>One Time Volunteers</th>
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OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Abundance University
Accelerate Great Schools
Apple of His Eyes INC
Behind Every Kid
Called 2 Encourage LLC
Cincinnati Christian University
Cincinnati Opera
Cincinnati Recreation Commission McKie Branch
City of Cincinnati
Evolving Lives
Flying Pig Marathon
Garden Of Wellness
Healthy Links Mental Health Agency LLC
L.A.M.E
Leadership Scholars
Magnified Giving
Most Valuable Kids
Peace by Piece
Preston Brown Foundation
Think About It LLC
Ummah Strength
Word Play
OUR EXPENSES

- Program: $20,812.36
- Fundraising: $3,911.74
- Support Services: $1,609.50
- Administrative Cost: $1,260
YOU SUPPORTED US

Contractual Work-$20,817.51
Fundraising-$9,759.16
Individual Donors-$8,115.32
Grants-$3,000
End Of Year Assets-$14,098.39

SPONSORS

Best Buy Foundation
C.A. THREATTS & SONS, INC.
Cincinnati Children’s Hospital
Corinthian Baptist Church
Hamilton County Community Action Agency
Interact Health
Meijer
Panera Bread
SO-ACT
Summertime Kids of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation
Target
Go Vancy
Thrivent Financial
Wal-Mart Foundation