



*Improving lives to help individuals and families succeed*

## **Ozaukee Family Services – “Building the Future”**

Ozaukee Family Services has been making an impact in Ozaukee County by providing vital services to children, teens, adults, and seniors since 1974. Over that time, we have touched the lives of over 150,000 local people through various programs that provide education, counseling, and support to anyone living in Ozaukee County. Most of our programs are free, and we never turn anyone away due to an inability to pay. We do this with a staff of 20 skilled and dedicated employees, more than 150 volunteers, and a community of generous supporters.

OFS has outgrown its current space, and demand for our programs is outpacing our capacity to serve all who need us. Although we typically serve over 6,000 people a year, there is much more that we can do. Our counseling program has grown immensely over the past 3-5 years as well as our programs for children and parents. Our current building was recently sold, and our Board of Directors saw this as an opportunity to branch out to a larger and more visible location to reach more people. After much searching, OFS closed on the property at 4922 Columbia Road in the Town of Cedarburg on October 15, 2021.

There are some major repairs that must be done on the new building including heating and cooling system replacement, a new roof, windows, and changing the layout to meet our needs. This property includes a ½ acre of lovely greenspace that we envision using for our Parents as Teachers picnic, mentoring groups for boys and girls, Play Groups, and other activities. Our goal is to make this property a safe, welcoming, and trauma-sensitive environment where OFS will continue to advance its mission of *Improving lives to help individuals and families succeed* and help Ozaukee County remain a safe and healthy place to live and work.

Of course, we can't do this without the financial support of the community. We are asking our supporters to consider investing in the future of Ozaukee Family Services and empower us to improve the lives of thousands more individuals and families in the coming years. Donors at all levels will be recognized in OFS' Annual Report, and there will be opportunities for special recognition offered through naming opportunities as well.

It is time for Ozaukee Family Services to make an even larger impact in our community, so please help us “Build the Future” and improve the lives of local seniors, children and adults who need us most.

We are happy to answer any questions or even provide a tour of the new building. Please contact Lisa Holtebeck, Executive Director, at 262-376-7774 ext. 125.