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United Way supporting AYS' efforts through grant funding

(Indianapolis, Ind.) – [AYS, Inc. \(AYS\)](#), Central Indiana's premier provider of before- and after-school programs for kids, today announced that it is serving 95 students who had previously relied on Forest Manor Multi-Service Center for after-school enrichment activities.

AYS is serving these children through programs located at Tindley Genesis Academy (2540 N. Capitol Ave.) and Tindley Renaissance Elementary (4020 N. Sherman Dr.) in Indianapolis. After decades of serving the community, Forest Manor ceased operations, including its after-school programming at these locations, on August 1.

In support of efforts to assist Forest Manor families, United Way of Central Indiana awarded the non-profit AYS just over \$32,000 to offset a portion of the initial costs to both the new families and to AYS. Thanks to UWCI, these families did not have to pay initial registration fees for this school year, and their weekly rate was also reduced.

“As soon as we heard about this need in the community, UWCI and AYS began to collaborate and explore how we could help,” said AYS, Inc. President and CEO Chrystal Struben. “We’re excited to welcome these families to our high-quality after-school programs at Tindley and Renaissance – families who were served so well previously by Forest Manor. As always, our local United Way was a willing and generous partner in our quest to provide outstanding care and learning experiences for all AYS families.”

AYS offers a variety of services through its before- and after-school programs and school break camps. Its programs complement school-day learning and primarily focus on math, literacy, social development and health. The nonprofit's secondary priorities include science and art.

AYS' first program started in Indianapolis in 1980 with fewer than 10 children. Today, the organization serves over 3,000 children throughout the year. AYS currently has more than 40 school-age locations in Central Indiana, including 10 in Indianapolis Public Schools and multiple sites in Washington Twp., Noblesville, Decatur Twp. and Speedway. For a complete list of AYS sites, please go to <https://www.ayskids.org/locations/>.

For more information on AYS and its education and enrichment programming, please visit www.ayskids.org.

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