

# The East End Adult Education Center

School Newsletter

Fall 2021

Adele M. Craft - Executive Director

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## Director's Annual Report-

We are on our way to completing another wonderful year at The East End Adult Education Center. We served 257 students last school year in our Educational Program, our Computer Lab and our Career Support Program. We are holding in person tutoring at the Center as well as offering our online GED instruction. As you know, we are the only GED school that gives a Kaplan GED Book to each of our GED students. We graduated 26 GED/HSE students last school year.

Fundraising for last year was very successful. Most of our longtime supporters and grantors were very generous. Our Seventh Annual Golf Outing is coming up on October 24<sup>th</sup>. Our **Sponsors** this year are: **Silver Sponsor** is The Terry Craft Family in Memory of Terry Craft. **The Hole Sponsors** are: Jim & Jan Brandt, Erik Christman with Oxford Financial Partners, Brett & Susan Foley with Diamond Envelope, Tom & Arden Geers, Matt & Trisha Hannahan, Mike & Mary McGraw, Jake Peters with Jake's Automotive, Joe McCauley with Tele-Vac Environmental, Mary Ann Schmidt, Gary & Tina Volz, and Pat & Jane Walsh. The Golf Outing last year was very well attended and everyone who participated really enjoyed it. We made \$5,000 on this Event.

Our Annual Celebration was held on June 8<sup>th</sup> with 60 people attending. It was a lovely day at The Urban Grill in their outdoor area. The **Silver Sponsors** were Jim & Jan Brandt, Jane & Mark Burke, Adele Craft, Terri Hogan, Connie Johnson, Sara & David Osborn, Becky & Keith Riggs, and Lisa & David Schackmann. The Patrons were Irmgard & Bruce Freeman, Jim Howe, Pam & Les Irvine, Dori Matson, Nancy Vandenberg, Tina & Gary Volz, and Anne W. Wilson. We made \$18,000 on this event!

We are so thankful to all of our tutors and donors; we couldn't do what we do without you! You are helping so many individuals make improvements to their lives!

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**Thank you again so very much for all of your support!**

## Annual Achievements for 2020-21 School Year:

257 Students were served.

116 students were served through our GED/ Literacy program.

141 students were served in our computer lab.

26 students received their GED Diplomas.

74 students worked while attending school.

31 students were 16 to 20 years of age.

71 students were 21 to 40 years of age.

12 students were 41 to 60 years of age.

2 students were 61 to 75 years of age.

Income for 8/1/20 – 7/31/21 - \$187,237.17

Expenses for 8/1/20 – 7/31/21 - \$204,752.20

Expenses for Program Services - \$137,000





# 2020 -21 ANGELS

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## Student Corner



### 2020 -2021 GED Graduates

Joshua Clark  
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Damon Farmer  
Lynley Gerard  
Ashlie Godsey  
Keyonna Gossett  
Kacey Hamlin  
Shania Hampton  
Austin Lee

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## Graduate Spotlight

### Kacey Hamlin

Kacey started our program in April 2021 and drove every morning from Middletown. She was dedicated, hardworking, and diligent with her studies. She obtained her GED in one month! She has four sons age 9-15 who are her reason why she wanted to get her GED. Her oldest son is in high school and has since been very motivated in school because he saw his mom succeed.

Kacey is now enrolled full time at Cincinnati State pursuing an associate's degree in Business Management. Her plan is to open her own diner. Kacey mentioned that she was recently speaking about our program, and said that she wouldn't be where she is without our help. We are so proud of her and wish her the best in her studies and future business!



### Keyonna Gossett

Keyonna enrolled in our program in the spring of 2019 due to health issues and bullying in her previous high school. She studied hard and quickly passed Social Studies, Science, and Language Arts. Math was where she struggled the most. She worked one on one with many of our tutors for months on math, especially algebra and geometry. She took the math test four times and finally passed this past spring. Her family was so proud of her that they bought her a car! Since she passed her GED, Keyonna has enrolled in Empire Beauty School where she will be graduating this May as a Licensed Cosmetologist. Her plan is to move to Florida and pursue a career in a salon. Keyonna never gave up and we are so proud of her dedication!

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Our Mission, as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, is to provide quality educational programs for the residents of Greater Cincinnati, aimed at increasing students' basic literacy, academic, computer, and job skills. We are now an official GED Testing Site. Everyone is welcome and classes are free.



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