



# MISSION POSSIBLE

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY 2022



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assistance league  
Indianapolis

TRANSFORMING LIVES  
AND STRENGTHENING  
OUR COMMUNITY



ON-LINE SILENT AUCTION  
May 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> at [ALindy.org](http://ALindy.org)





"WE LIVE IN A WORLD IN WHICH  
WE NEED TO SHARE RESPONSIBILITY.  
It's easy to say, 'It's not my child, not  
my community, not my world, not my  
problem.' Then there are those who see  
the need and respond. I consider those

**MY HEROES."**

- Fred Rogers

Over the last two years Assistance League® of Indianapolis stepped up to the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic and updated the delivery of our philanthropic programs to meet the needs of the adults, children, and families we serve. As these challenges continue into 2022, your support is critical in helping Assistance League make an impact in the Indianapolis community.

On April 1, 2022, our annual fundraiser, Mission Possible: Caring for our Community 2022, crowd funding event, will kick off. We will also host an on-line silent auction from May 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>. Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$90,000.

To help us complete our mission and support Mission Possible, please use the enclosed envelope or visit our website at [www.ALindy.org](http://www.ALindy.org) to contribute.

Donors of \$1,000 or more will be recognized on our website through May 31<sup>st</sup>. If you wish to remain anonymous, please see the enclosed envelope.



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Please join us in offering a foundation of support through the following community-based philanthropic programs.

## OPERATION SCHOOL BELL®

**Empowering Children to Succeed.** Operation School Bell offers three distinct divisions that provide new clothing, supplies and athletic shoes to economically challenged children, helping them to arrive at school ready to learn. Families of the children we serve report that money they save on school clothing items allows them to direct their limited funds towards essentials such as housing, utilities, and food. Besides meeting a fundamental need, the items given to children raise their self-esteem, enabling them to be more successful in the classroom. Studies and surveys show that children who are appropriately dressed show improvement in classroom performance, increased attendance, and more engagement with peers. School personnel from Indianapolis Public Schools and the Metropolitan School Districts of Lawrence, Pike, Warren, Washington, and Wayne Townships identify and refer the K-5 students served. Since 1984, Operation School Bell has provided new apparel to 70,286 students, new athletic shoes to 52,692 students, plus additional items.



THIS  
IS HOW WE MAKE  
A DIFFERENCE!

## ALI BEARS

**PROVIDING COMFORT  
THROUGH HUGS**

Remember when you were a child and had a special toy or stuffed animal that always made you feel better? Teddy bears provided by the ALI Bears program bring comfort to children in hospitals, hospice patients and children and adults grieving a loss. Since 1987, 24,875 bears have been delivered to local agencies including hospitals, hospices, and family service centers. ALI Bears help recipients on the road to recovery by having a warm and cuddly friend to hug, care for, and love.

## ALI FRIENDS

**OFFERING FRIENDSHIP  
AND CHEER**

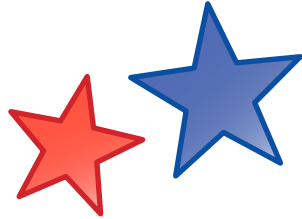
ALI Friends program was established in 1990 to bring happiness and special attention to the guests and residents of Joy's House and North Capitol Nursing Rehabilitation Center with monthly celebrations and companionship. Due to Covid restrictions, we were not able to visit in person with our ALI Friends. We delivered snacks to the residents monthly and residents received a gift bag of toiletries and socks for Christmas. Playing virtual Bingo was a big hit!

## ASSAULT SURVIVOR KITS

**RESTORING HOPE  
AND DIGNITY**

This program was established in 1994 to provide victims of assault, rape or domestic violence with new sweatpants, sweatshirts, briefs, and socks to wear when they must surrender their clothing as evidence. Covid restrictions appear to have contributed to a rise in domestic violence. During fiscal year 2020-21, our members delivered 824 clothing kits to 15 agencies and 909 undergarments to 10 agencies in the Central Indiana area. Hospital and agency personnel report that these clothing items help restore a sense of dignity and hope to those that receive them.

# ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF INDIANAPOLIS TRANSFORMING LIVES & STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITY



## WE ARE COMMITTED TO OUR COMMUNITY.

Our focus is on local needs. Assistance League is a non-profit, philanthropic, member-volunteer organization. The 204 members are a diverse group of passionate and dedicated individuals. The collection of members' life experiences creates a rich resource of talent to manage the organization effectively and efficiently. All funds raised stay in the Indianapolis metro area and surrounding counties.