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## Cornerstone facility renovations underway

On January 18, Children & Families of Iowa's Cornerstone facility was honored with a ribbon cutting event from the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce. The event, which included board members, business partners, chamber members, and generous supporters, commemorated the completion of the first of renovations at Cornerstone. CFI is strategically positioning the facility to meet the expanding need for outpatient mental health and substance abuse services in our community.

### Services at Cornerstone

- Mental health therapy
- Substance abuse treatment
- Psychiatric Medical Institute for Children (PMIC)
- Domestic violence outreach
- Family Safety, Risk, and Permanency Services (FSRP)



Denise Stadter, Clinical Manager (left) and Pat Rogness, VP of Mental Health (right) lead the mental health and substance abuse services at Cornerstone.

### Additional locations offering mental health:

- CFI's headquarters (Des Moines)
- Northside (Des Moines)
- Fort Dodge
- Osceola

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The Ankeny Chamber of Commerce honored CFI's Cornerstone facility with a ribbon cutting event on January 18, 2018.

# THANK YOU

## CW Iowa 23 and Local 5

CFI extends a special thank you to CW Iowa 23 and Local 5, for their media sponsorship of Kidsfest, at a value of over \$35,000 in support. We Are Iowa is the embodiment of CW Iowa 23 and Local 5—living and breathing Iowa. Every day, the stations work for Iowans, striving to be advocates for viewers. Kidsfest is a welcomed opportunity for the stations to share their mission, serve the community, and contribute to its success.

“The generosity of CW Iowa 23 and Local 5 makes it possible for us to get the details of Kidsfest out to the families in our community,” Amy Stapp-Arpy, CDO/VP of Development and Communications said. “For that we are deeply grateful.”

This year, CW Iowa 23 and Local 5 are bringing bigger and better things to Kidsfest. You can expect to see CW Iowa Live co-host Lou Sipolt in attendance for photographs. Also, Local 5 Meteorologist Brandon Lawrence will be helping kids try their hand at reading the news. On Saturday, Brandon will emcee the Kidsfest Talent Show, and Lou will help judge the event. Be on the lookout for a special superhero, too!



CW Iowa 23 and Local 5 became media sponsors of Kidsfest in 2017. The stations return this year as key supporters.

## Volunteers

Special thanks to those organizations and individuals who volunteered for Children & Families of Iowa during the months of November and December 2017.

Abigail Davis	Dan Walters	Katelynn Paeth	Randy Burgin
AJ Sandor	Dawn Webb	Katharine Nelson	Ronna Rivas
Alesia Endres	Daylan Carney	Kathryn Blake	Sam Spackman
Amanda Rouse	Deanna Ingebretre	Kirby Hunt	Sarah Turri
Andrew Slagle	Debra Brinkman	Krista Banyas	Sean Nelson
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Art Filean	Dianne Kobberdahl	Laura Kucharik	Shelly Kouri
Ashley Bolsem	Emma Miller	Laura Quittem	Sheri Elsen
Ashley Kingman	Erica White	Laurie Ruthledge	Sherry Farnham
Barb Bremner	Etta Moline	Leah Vanden Bosch	Signe Mattsno
Bethany Ruby	Gary Frank	Leslie Innis	Sirena Olivan
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Carson Forbes	Jared Kenkel	Melissa Rogers	Teagan Thune
Cassie Lemar	Jasmina Odzakovic	Michele Crawford	Temesha Derby
Catherine France	Jerrie Miller	Milena Parra	Teresa Henry
Cathy Chaffin	Jie Song	Molly O'Leary	Trinda Smith
Cathy Davis	Jill Harrison	Monica Walker	Valerie Just
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Chelsea Arganbright	Joshua Barjebo	Pamela Eldreth	
Cheryl Westbrook	Joy Heckman	Qaima Jafri	
Chris Junker	Karina Jimenez	Rachel Hollingsworth	

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS



## CFI announces 2018 Tango chairs

Children & Families of Iowa (CFI) is pleased to announce that **Bob and Loretta Sieman** of Des Moines will serve as the honorary 2018 Tango Gala co-chairs. The civic-minded couple will host the premiere fundraising event celebrating CFI's 130th year.

"CFI is honored to have the Siemans serve as our honorary co-chairs," said Amy Stapp-Arpy, CDO/VP of Development and Communications at CFI. "With a history of serving Iowans for over 50 years, this dynamic couple provides valuable perspective, leadership and vision as we plan our premiere gala."

## Save the Date: Tango Gala!

Friday, July 27, 2018 at Sheraton West Des Moines

## Family Tees Inter-generational Golf Tournament

JUNE 4, 2018

TERRACE HILLS GOLF COURSE, ALTOONA, IA

## Ladies' Invitational Golf Tournament

JULY 13, 2018

COPPER CREEK GOLF COURSE, PLEASANT HILL, IA

## Princess Party

OCTOBER 20, 2018

JORDAN CREEK TOWN CENTER, WEST DES MOINES, IA

## LEARN MORE

*For up-to-date information and registration for CFI events, visit [cfiowa.org](http://cfiowa.org).*

## CFI Get ready for Kidsfest!

Kidsfest is about kids helping kids! Children & Families of Iowa's Kidsfest, presented by Veridian Credit Union, contributes to restoring hope for Iowa's families. Join Children & Families of Iowa on Friday, March 2 – Sunday, March 4, 2018, for great attractions while helping at-risk families in Iowa. Event highlights include: inflatables, live entertainment, crafts, a talent show (our first-ever!), cartoon characters, and more!



Former CFI Board of Trustees member Eric Faust (right) and Ziki Bejone (left) at Kidsfest 2017.

## Join us at Kidsfest!

Friday, March 2, 6-9 pm

Saturday, March 3, 9 am - 6 pm

Sunday, March 4, 10 am - 4 pm



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## Together, we celebrate 130 years

This year, Children & Families of Iowa (CFI) will be celebrating 130 years of service to families residing in Iowa. I often reflect upon our humble beginnings as an organization, which began as a small group of ministers and lay people with a passion and a vision to help Iowa's children. Their goal was to work specifically with Iowa's children that were homeless or had experienced trauma through child abuse and neglect. This passionate group of volunteers, called the Iowa Education Aid Association, held steadfast to their vision and purpose of providing safe homes for Iowa's abandoned youth.

Now, 130 years later, our vision as an organization remains the same, working collectively to restore hope, build futures, and change lives for children and families throughout Iowa. As a private nonprofit, we strive to maintain the most effective,

evidence-based approaches to assist families in achieving their personal and family goals. Our programs and services focus on enhancing the knowledge, skills and tools necessary to build, support and strengthen families and communities. CFI takes pride in meeting the needs of children, teens and families throughout the state. We are also grateful to our generous donors and sponsors, dedicated volunteers, and committed staff.

Thank you for helping us fulfill our mission now and in the future.



Janice Lane  
CEO

Restoring **hope**.  
Building **futures**.  
Changing **lives**.



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