

## **Important Announcement from This Side UP! Family** **November 2020**

### **10 years. Wow!**

In 2010 our Founder (along with an incredible team of community volunteers and supporters) had a vision to create an organization that moved families from merely surviving to actually thriving together. **Over the past decade, This Side UP! Family has served thousands of families (average 727 per year) and seen relationships restored, parents equipped, marriages saved, single parents championed; the list goes on and on.**

As you all know, the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has made it impossible to hold our in-person programming and services since March, and will most likely cause cancellations well into 2021.

In light of this reality, **This Side UP! Family has made the difficult decision to stop operations.** This is not a decision we made lightly, and our board and leadership weighed many options before coming to this conclusion.

Families and parents, we know this is a tough season and many of you still have pressing needs right now.

The following organizations can help provide necessary resources:

- Trusted World, clothing and resource organization
- Emily's Place, safe place for families escaping domestic abuse
- BedStart Ministries, provides furniture for families in need

In times of crisis, you can email [\*\*info@thissideupfamily.org\*\*](mailto:info@thissideupfamily.org) for connection to additional resources.

If you are able, please consider making a financial donation to one of the above organizations as they continue fighting for families in our community.

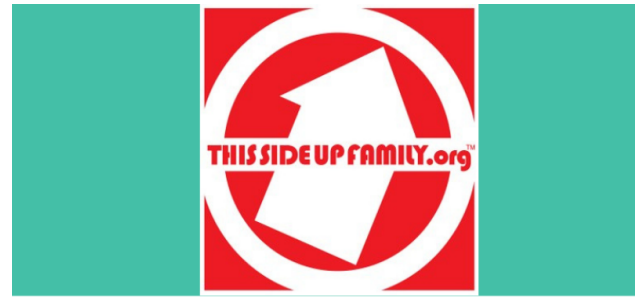
**THANKFUL. GRATEFUL. BLESSED.** Those words don't even begin to describe the depth of gratitude we have for the opportunity to witness the trajectory of so many families changed over the past decade. We will remain forever thankful to our amazing donors and volunteers who made this possible. **You have helped us change lives!**

**Now, in the words of Mother Teresa:**

**"If you want to make a difference, go home and love your family." We have certainly loved being a part of yours.**

Sincerely,

Catlin Hale (Executive Director), Sarah Morris, (Founder), Susan Gibson (Programs/Operations Manager) and the This Side UP! Family Board of Directors



**MOVING FAMILIES FROM SURVIVING TO THRIVING SINCE 2010.**

# 727

## FAMILIES PER YEAR

TSUF has served an average of 727 families per year over the last 10 years.



## EVENTS



# 465

TSUF has hosted single parent support groups, I Date My Spouse Nights, Family Connection Events, Parenting Classes, and much more.

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## CLOTHING GIVE-AWAYS

TSUF has provided clothing, shoes and accessories to hundreds of single parent led families twice a year in partnership with local churches and businesses.



## VOLUNTEER HOURS



# 27,122

Over 3000 volunteers have spent almost 30,000 hours giving back to strengthen families and our community.

**Thank you for 10 amazing years!**  
**We will always be family.**