



*Children and Family  
Services of New York*

## Family Enrichment Center Coming Soon to our Flagship Site



We are thrilled to share that Little Flower was one of nine organizations to receive funding to launch a **Family Enrichment Center** out of our Flagship office in Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brooklyn!

Family Enrichment Centers are family-centered hubs throughout New York City that offer community-based resources and support in a comforting and inviting space where neighbors can connect, support each other, seek resources, and work together to build potential so families can see a brighter tomorrow.

The opportunity to add this additional service to the programs we offer our families speaks to the heart of our mission and our desire to provide services around and near the Flagship office and to do true community-driven work.

Stay tuned for the exciting updates about this new program!

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**Little Flower President & CEO on Philanthropy in Phocus**



**Sharing our Story with the Non-Profit Voice**

**[Little Flower President & CEO, Corinne Hammons](#)** sat down with **[Tommy D, host of Philanthropy in Phocus](#)**, for an engaging conversation about nonprofit leadership, the importance and value of collaboration, and of course, Little Flower!

Philanthropy in Phocus is the brainchild of Tommy D and is meant to be a platform to support nonprofits through this weekly show, networking opportunities, and thought leadership.

If you missed the show, [you can view it here](#). You can also see more of Tommy at the [2nd Annual Fostering Hope virtual fun-raiser](#) where he will be joining us as our emcee!

The Little Flower team joined **Ron Gold**, host of the **[Non-Profit Voice](#)**, for a great discussion of the past, present, and future!

**[Kerri Smith, Chief Operating Officer](#)**, Nyrekia White, Director of Resource Development, and Steve Zeltser, External Relations Manager, took listeners through a journey of Little Flower's history and foundations for the organization today. They discussed the pandemic and its effect, advocacy and the changing nonprofit workforce, and Little Flower's upcoming events and initiatives.

[Listen to the show here](#) to learn more about Little Flower and how you can get involved!

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## Advocating for Just Pay



Earlier this month, Little Flower staff joined other human services providers for a rally to advocate for **#JustPay**.

The **#JustPay** campaign seeks to ensure equitable wages for human services workers. Under current state contracts, the essential human services workforce is some of the lowest paid workers in New York's economy.

Little Flower foster care case planner, Kanya Flowers, along with speakers from other organizations, shared her experience as an essential worker and demonstrated the need for fair and equitable pay.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the **#JustPay** campaign and how you can help advocate for fair wages for human services essential workers.

## 2nd Annual Fostering Hope Fun-Raiser

There are only a few weeks left until the registration deadline for the **2nd Annual Fostering Hope virtual fun-raiser!** Be sure to [purchase your tickets and sponsorships](#) by April 21st to ensure your design kits and special gift arrives in time!

Your registration gives you access to a fantastic night on May 12th at 7 PM celebrating the changemakers in our communities whose individual actions have created a wave of change!

**Sandra Lindsay**, the first person to receive the COVID-19 vaccine in the United States, will be joining us as our **Corporate Ambassador of Hope**.

### Corporate Ambassador of Hope

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**Sandra Lindsay**  
Director, Patient Care Services in Critical Care

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Sandra Lindsay is the personification of how the action of one person can create a wave of impact in our community and the world. As the first person in the United States to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, she led the fight against the pandemic.

**Tommy D, #TheNonProfitSectorConnector** and dedicated Little Flower volunteer will be our emcee for the evening! Tommy D is an avid supporter of Little Flower and has generously volunteered his time and special skills as part of his *60 Days of Service* campaign. As the host of *Philanthropy in Phocus*, Tommy elevates the work and impact of Long Island's nonprofit community.



Photo Credit: Tommy D

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**Emcee**

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**Tommy D**  
#TheNonProfitSectorConnector  
Host of Philanthropy In Phocus



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We will also celebrate the achievements and generosity of the **Suffolk County Girl Scouts Cadette Troup #4946** as our **Youth Ambassadors of Hope**!

## Honoring Youth Ambassadors of Hope

Girl Scouts of  
Suffolk County  
Cadette Troop  
#4946



[\*\*Purchase your tickets and sponsorships by clicking here\*\*](#) to join us in creating a giant wave of change!

To learn more, please contact [whiten@lfchild.org](mailto:whiten@lfchild.org) or 631-929-6200 x6924.

## Upcoming Events

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### Foster Parent Virtual Orientation

Learn how you can transform caring into action by becoming a foster parent! Attend a virtual orientation to learn more about the process and requirements and how you can make a positive difference!

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### 2nd Annual Fostering Hope Virtual Fun-Raiser

Design for a cause and help prepare the young people in our care for educational success! Join us for a night of inspiration and fun! Tickets and sponsorships are available.

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