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Dear Friends,

It’s hard to believe that Lighthouse Community Public Schools has grown from serving 90 students in a downtown Oakland storefront in 2002, to serving 1400 students across two East Oakland campuses in 2019.

Over these past 18 years, change has been a constant, but one thing that has not wavered is your support and belief in the potential of our students.

Lighthouse Community Public Schools is proud to be a force in the transformation of Oakland through an unrelenting commitment to prepare students for college and career. Together — our families, students, staff, and YOU — are part of a landscape of great success.

So what sets LCPS apart from other organizations like us? The core values that guide our work are alive in everything we do:

- Love
- Social Justice
- Integrity
- Agency
- Community

I’m honored to be working alongside you as we continue to guide our students to a bright future. As you read the following pages of this report, you’ll see the impact of your generosity of time and treasure — from acquiring a new K-12 campus for Lodestar to seeing over 95% of LCPS students making plans to attend 2- and 4-year colleges.

Thank you for walking this path with Lighthouse to make a brighter world for our children. I can’t wait to see what we will achieve in the next year together!

With love,

Jenna Stauffer,
Founder, CEO, & Proud LCPS Parent

P.S. Check out Chris Thomas on the cover, beaming with pride at Lighthouse graduation. He is now studying political science at Texas Southern University in Houston.
Vanessa and Evelyn Zamora are part of the first Lighthouse class of kindergartners. Evelyn graduated from UCLA in 2019 and Vanessa will graduate from UC Berkeley in 2020.

Lighthouse graduates enroll in college at higher rates than students of the same demographic enrolled in Oakland Unified School District, Alameda County, and across California.

“Because of Lighthouse, my kids are believing that they can be anything they want to be. They see themselves going to college.”

Connie Williams, Lighthouse Parent

Check out this two-minute highlight video of Declaration Day, where Lighthouse seniors announce their plans after high school graduation.
You guided Lodestar to a new home.

The Lodestar community came together at the ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate Lodestar’s new campus.

With your love and support, Lodestar officially moved into its permanent home in East Oakland in the fall of 2018 — this is a huge feat for a new charter school! With an innovative model that puts students at the center of their own learning, Lodestar is paving the way in public school models, serving students in grades K-8. The new Lodestar high school will open on the same campus in Fall 2020. Watch this one-minute video of the Lodestar Ribbon Cutting ceremony.

“Lodestar not only educates our children’s minds, but through the Core Values, Lodestar also educates their hearts — essential for the development of successful and responsible adults.” Vicky Gowans, Lodestar parent
All Lighthouse high students are enrolled in a college preparatory curriculum. Graduates from the Lighthouse Class of 2019 are attending the following colleges and universities.

- University of California Berkeley
- Riverside
- San Diego
- Los Angeles
- Chabot College
- Langston University
- Merritt College
- Mills College
- Texas Southern University
- University of Puget Sound
- University of Redlands
- University of California Berkeley
- Riverside
- San Diego
- Los Angeles
- Chabot College
- Langston University
- Merritt College
- Mills College
- Texas Southern University
- University of Puget Sound
- University of Redlands
Financial Report

“We are proud to have partnered with Lighthouse over the past ten years. The work by the faculty, staff, students and their families is truly life-changing.”
Derek Jernstedt, Executive Director, Quest Foundation

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Gifts from generous friends and partnerships with Pacific Charter School Development, First Republic Bank, the Rogers Family Foundation and the Kenneth Rainin Foundation have made The Raised in Oakland Capital Campaign a success. This community has supported the renovation of existing buildings and the start of new construction for Lodestar High School.

Lodestar’s four acres in the Sobrante Park neighborhood of East Oakland are now a bustling K-8 campus, serving over 600 students. As of August 2019, the high school building is under construction and playgrounds are on their way. As we near the end of this project, your thoughtful gifts will help Lodestar offer a beautiful campus for students in grades K-12 to thrive.
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“Lighthouse helped me prepare for the real world and college. Mr. Coleman, Ms. Fountain, and Mr. Weintraub set me up well to begin this new chapter of my life!”

Chris Thomas (pictured on the cover), graduated from Lighthouse in 2019 and is now attending Texas Southern University
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**History**

Since 2002, Lighthouse Community Public Schools have been a beacon of free, public education where each graduate fulfills the promise of a better, brighter Oakland. ALL students — regardless of race, ethnicity, or income, are prepared to pursue higher education and live out their fullest potentials.

Lighthouse Community Public Schools has two thriving campuses in East Oakland—Lighthouse, serving grades K-12 and Lodestar, currently serving grades K-8 and growing to serve grades K-12 by 2024.

**Vision**

LCPS graduates are lifelong changemakers who realize their unique vision—rooted in their identity, knowledge, and skills—to create equity in their own lives and in the world.

**Mission**

The mission of Lighthouse Community Public Schools is to prepare a diverse, K-12th grade student population for college and the career of their choice by equipping each child and youth with the skills, knowledge, and tools to become a self-motivated, competent, lifelong learners.

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