Our MISSION is to advance the independence, productivity and full citizenship of people with cerebral palsy and other disabilities.
Did you know….

35% of children and adults we serve have cerebral palsy; an astounding 65% of those we serve have disabilities other than cerebral palsy
Creating Life Without Limits

Stephen H. Friedman, In Memoriam June 2019

As President and CEO, Steph encouraged incredible growth and transformation in the lives of the children and adults we serve. Steph passed away suddenly in June 2019 and he is greatly missed.

Each day, our individuals thrive and live a Life Without Limits due to our quality programs and services. The Children's Center gives children with disabilities a chance at a brighter future. Our Adult Day Service Programs provide our participants with an opportunity to express themselves and to contribute to society through art, music and advocacy. The Residential Program includes 31 beautiful homes where individuals receive physical and emotional support from loving staff, who have become a second family to them. This is all made possible through the extraordinary generosity of our partners, supporters and friends.

Steph’s leadership and dedication to our mission enabled some many wonderful things to happen during his 20 year tenure and we remain forever grateful.

Thomas Pfundstein, Chair of the Board of Directors

I have been involved with UCP of Long Island for more than a decade. I first learned of how extraordinary UCP of Long Island is through my son, Joseph, who attends the Children’s Center. The Children's Center provides excellent educational programs to more than 80 infants and children with disabilities, using assistive technology services and innovative programs. These programs combined with the Center's compassionate staff enables each child to thrive. My son has flourished as a result of the outpouring of love, support and encouragement that the staff at the Children's Center has provided. Joseph has a chance to live a Life Without Limits, thanks to UCP of Long Island.

After reading about all of the incredible services we provide in this annual report, I ask that you please consider scheduling a tour of our facilities to see all of the exemplary work that your donations support. To schedule a tour, contact the Office of Development at 631-232-0015 and come see first hand the amazing programs and services offered to children and adults on Long Island.
The Children’s Center

UCP of Long Island Children’s Center is committed to creating a Life Without Limits in the lives of children with disabilities through an educational partnership joining home, school and the community. The Children’s Center, located in Commack, has provided over 36 years of excellence in educational services including preschool, school-age programs and early intervention services tailored to meet the physical, cognitive and emotional needs of children with disabilities from birth to 21 years of age.

“You’re off to Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, So... get on your way!”
— Dr. Seuss, Oh, The Places You’ll Go!

In 2019, 13 students were celebrated during our Annual Graduation/Moving Up Ceremony at the Children’s Center
Residential Services

UCP of Long Island provides residential care in 31 homes in Suffolk County for individuals with disabilities. Every home is beautifully maintained both outside and inside and becomes an integral part of each neighborhood. Individuals receive services in a comfortable and fully accessible home and are encouraged to achieve independence and live active lives. Residents regularly enjoy taking part in community outings and events. We encourage the involvement of families in these activities to further our goal of helping individuals live *Life Without Limits*.

“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched- They must be felt with the heart.” – Helen Keller

*We provide residential services to over 224 adults and children with disabilities.*
ADULT DAY SERVICES

Brushstrokes Program
The Brushstrokes Program gives participants an opportunity to create intriguing pieces of artwork that reflect their dynamic personalities. The program consists of more than 20 artists who paint each day. Their work has been displayed in community art exhibits and at UCP of Long Island Special Events.

Day Treatment
This program is certified to provide 125 adults over 21 years of age with training and assists with the continuance of basic independent living skills through activities, such as exercise, pet therapy, art and music, social and recreation events, and appropriate community integration activities.

Day Habilitation
Enhances the ability of participants to pursue an inclusive lifestyle by providing and promoting opportunities to become more involved, productive and interactive within the community. Our Independent Living and Program Without Walls programs provide individuals with a variety of community-based experiences such as computer training, adaptive exercise, healthy food choice preparation, sensory activities, music enrichment, self advocacy. Our individuals learn how to safely navigate our communities; integrating volunteerism as a part of their daily experiences.

Employment Connection
The Employment Connection of UCP of Long Island provides employment-related services leading to competitive community employment for people with disabilities.

Creating Life Without Limits

Day Treatment

Day Habilitation
A Night In Monte Carlo

UCP of Long Island once again held its popular “A Night in Monte Carlo” event at the Larkfield in East Northport, NY on Wednesday, April 17, 2019. More than 280 friends and supporters were in attendance and thanks to their support $95,000 was raised.


The evening, filled with the excitement of Monte Carlo, featured a cocktail reception, followed by a delectable buffet dinner and extensive Viennese display. Guests enjoyed gaming by Event Kings, luxury cars courtesy of Ferrari-Maserati of Long Island and art pieces created by the talented artists of the UCP-LI Brushstrokes program. Fashion was provided by Popi’s Place and Edward Alan Big & Tall. Silent auction items and raffles also featured items by local jewelry designer, Stephanie Occhipinti Designs and Triple Crown Fundraising.
30th Annual Golf Classic

UCP of Long Island held its 30th Annual Golf Classic at the Huntington Country Club on Monday, June 10, 2019. Although the weather was less than cooperative, the rain couldn’t dampen the enthusiasm and support for UCP’s mission. More than 100 friends and supporters joined us, and helped to raise over $101,000. The day included artwork that showcased the talents of UCP’s Brushstrokes artists, as well as a memorable Live Auction, that raise over $16,000.

UCP-LI thanks its Eagles sponsors, The Schaefer Agency & M&T Bank. UCP would also like to thank its Birdie Sponsors, Corporate Synergies, The Bernard Family and Professional Group Plans. Thanks to our Bogie sponsors, BNB Bank, CJM wealth Management, Emblem Health, NJM Insurance Group, Philadelphia Insurance Companies. We would like to thank Cigar Sponsor Risk Management International & Hole-In-One Sponsor, King O’Rourke.

Gold Coast Invitational

UCP of Long Island raised over $101,000 at its annual Gold Coast Invitational held at the Cold Spring Country Club on Monday August 5, 2019, where Long Island businesses and friends gathered to honor Assemblyman Michael J. Fitzpatrick and his brother John P. Fitzpatrick, SVP of Investments at Morgan Stanley. The day began with a lovely Brunch, a shotgun start and many on course activities which made the day even more memorable.

5K Walk & Wheel

Over 500 supporters came together to raise awareness at the UCP of Long Island Life Without Limits 5K Walk & Wheel which was held on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Belmont Lake State Park. The event raised over $63,000. These funds will support the programs and services UCP of Long Island provides to children and adults with disabilities.

A special thank you to Bethpage Federal Credit Union for continuing to support UCP-LI as Presenting Sponsor. UCP is grateful to its other sponsors for support of this event: M&T Bank, Allergan, People’s United Bank and Home Medical Equipment. A special thank you to the Honor Society of Selden Middle School for once again holding a trivia contest in support of the UCP-LI 5K Walk & Wheel. The students raised over $1400. Also our thanks to Bagel Chalet, Driscoll Foods and W.B. Mason for providing the food and drinks.
UCP of Long Island held its annual Life Without Limits Gala on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at Stonebridge Country Club in Smithtown, NY. This year’s event honored George Tsinis, President of Chartwell Hotels. The event raised over $176,000 in support of the comprehensive programs and services that UCP of Long Island provides to thousands of children and adults with disabilities.

Students from the Children’s Center performed two magical song and dance numbers that captivated the entire audience. The evening also featured a moving tribute to Stephen H. Friedman, UCP-LI’s longtime President and CEO who passed away last year; Mr. Friedman was awarded UCP-s annual Life Without Limits award. The evening also included a reading of “Perspectives from A Wheelchair”, an essay written by one of our individuals Rolf W.

The formal event was co-chaired by Larry Levy, Executive Dean, Hofstra National Center for Suburban Studies and Carmen Tomeo, CEO of WE Transport. Steve Louro, CEO of Professional Group Plans served as Honorary Chair. The Life Without Limits Gala would not have been possible without the commitment of our generous sponsors: WE Transport/ Towne Bus / Van Trans LLC, Nassau Financial Federal Credit Union, Nassau Health Care Foundation, Inc., M&T Bank Foundation, and many more.
UCP of Long Island held its annual Handbag Bingo event on Sunday, November 17, 2019 at the Hamlet Golf & Country Club in Commack, NY. The event raised over $25,000 in support of the comprehensive programs and services that UCP of Long Island provides to thousands of children and adults with disabilities.

This fast becoming favorite event was chaired by Teresa Evans, United Way of NYC which brings together 150 of Long Island’s prominent business men and women. Our guests enjoyed an elegant buffet brunch, mimosas with a chance to win a designer handbag all while supporting an amazing agency on Long Island.

The event would not have been possible without the commitment of our generous sponsors: BNB Bank, Contract Pharmacal Corp., M&T Bank and People’s United Bank.
UCP of Long Island gratefully acknowledge all of the individuals and businesses whose donations of $500 or more were received between January and December of 2019.

Your investment in UCP's future is deeply appreciated!

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