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Santa Maria Community Services, Inc. Receives \$25,000 Grant from Greater Cincinnati Foundation to Support Promoting Our Preschoolers Program

Santa Maria Community Services, Inc. is pleased to announce that it has received a \$25,000 grant from the Building Brighter Futures Fund of Greater Cincinnati Foundation to support its Promoting Our Preschoolers (POP) program, which serves young children and their families in Greater Price Hill.

The POP program supports children ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers, many of whom are navigating economic challenges, language barriers, or limited access to early childhood resources. Through family-centered coaching, home visitation, and educational support, the program helps parents build routines, confidence, and tools that support their child's development and readiness for kindergarten.

"This investment helps ensure children enter school ready to learn and families feel supported from the very beginning," said H.A. Musser, Jr., President and CEO of Santa Maria Community Services. "Early childhood is a powerful window for growth, and programs like POP help set families on a strong path forward."

Through Promoting Our Preschoolers, Santa Maria continues its long-standing commitment to supporting families early, strengthening school readiness, and building brighter futures for children in Greater Price Hill.

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About Santa Maria Community Services, Inc.

Santa Maria Community Services, Inc. is an independent, 501(c)3 nonprofit organization originally founded by the Sisters of Charity in 1897 and place-based in Cincinnati Ohio's Price Hill community. Santa Maria provides nearly 3,000 individuals with educational tools and

resources to build strong families, promote healthy residents, and foster neighborhood revitalization. Our Price Hill Family Centers provide a welcoming environment and the coaching, support, and flexibility to assist families to achieve their identified goals toward stabilization and self-sufficiency. Our mission is to be a catalyst and advocate for Greater Price Hill families to attain their educational, financial, and health goals. Our vision is for Greater Price Hill to be a vibrant, thriving, and self-sustaining community. Learn more at SantaMaria-Cincy.org.

About Greater Cincinnati Foundation

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