



GIVINGHOPE
FOUNDATION



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“Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.”

Hebrews 11:1



Founder's Story

My name is Joe Shetterley. More than two decades ago when my wife Lisa and I found out we were pregnant for the second time, my heart skipped a beat. I already had a wonderfully funny and energetic 2-year-old son, Gabriel. Imagine my joy to learn that we were about to have a baby girl. We would name her Hanna. Like most fathers, I dreamt of her in little pigtails, watching her grow into a star athlete like her mommy, and eventually having the honor of walking her down the aisle. But before her second birthday, it became apparent those dreams would start to shift.

I vividly remember the day the doctor told us Hanna's diagnosis—autism and mild mental retardation.

If the doctor had stabbed me directly in my heart, it would have hurt less. As I sat and watched the confusion and pain on my wife's face, I began to feel as though I wasn't in my own body anymore. It was surreal. I know now that was my brain's way of dealing with the pain at the moment.

But as those moments turned into days, I did not go back to embrace reality. Instead, I embraced denial and lost myself in my work. One of my deepest regrets is allowing Lisa to face those early challenges alone. The reality of Hanna's condition really hit home when our family took a vacation to the beach. Again, I dreamt of the way I wanted it to be, how it should be. But as you can imagine, if your child has been diagnosed with any neurological or cerebral disorder, the way you want things to be and the way they are often are very different. While other children were squealing with glee as they built sandcastles and chased waves, my Hanna was eating sand and crying endlessly for no apparent reason. She would stare off into space for long periods of time. I can't adequately articulate the pain all of this caused me. So much so, I ended our vacation early.

Shortly after that experience, I was driving to work one morning and I became acutely aware of the presence of God. He made it quite clear through a vision of what my mission in this life would be. But the task seemed too great, impossible even. **And so I said no at first.**

Hanna is 20-years-old now. Lisa and I have since learned how to care for her needs – together. We have another son, Levi. The years have been cruel at times, almost destroying our marriage and our family, but God

has bigger plans for us. The vision God gave to me almost two decades ago has come to fruition very quickly over the past year.

In an almost supernatural way, I have met people who are making this vision become reality. Business people. Parents of similarly diagnosed children. Architects. Behavioral therapists. And supporters of the vision with varying levels of expertise who are all willing to help.

All of these people are being aligned at exactly the right time to bring about Giving Hope Foundation and The Giving Family Hope Center. The Center, soon to be built on the north side of Indianapolis, will be a place where both diagnosed individuals and their families will receive the services, care, and attention they so richly need and deserve.

Our vision is that The Center will be everything we wish we'd had over the 20 years: medical care, therapy services, advocacy, education, and respite for parents and siblings. After all my family has been through, I have learned one thing...sometimes we are given challenges because we have the strength and abilities to change them, other times we are given challenges so we ourselves can be changed.

Being Hanna's father has deeply changed me. Now it is my passion to create change for all families and our community. Please join me in making a difference in the lives of so many who deserve your support, guidance, and talent.

- Joe Shetterley, Founder



From Left to Right:
Hanna, Levi, Lisa,
Gabriel, and Joe

Our Mission and Vision

Our Mission

Giving Hope Foundation exists to ease the burden, empower, and share hope with those among us with unique needs and their circles of support through:

- Technologically-enabled **Research**
- Comprehensive **Medical Services**
- Collaborative **Behavioral Health Services**
- Inspiring **Community Engagement**
- Unified **Wellness and Recreation**
- Innovative **Work-Life Opportunities**

Our Vision

Our vision is to help families with unique needs dream again and to instill hope for a brighter future.

My Dream

"I have a dream! That all kids and adults will be able to talk like you and me, think like you and me and act like you and me. I have a dream that autism will be cured one day and all kids and adults will be able to go to a regular school and be in a classroom and learn. I have a dream that I will be able to have a conversation with my sister and she could talk normal. I have a dream that autistic kids and adults will not be made fun of because of their disability and will be treated with the same respect that we treat each other.

*By: Levi Shetterley
Hanna's brother*



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Our Values

Personal

- Honesty
 - Integrity
 - Faithfulness
 - Respectfulness
 - Dedication
 - Compassion
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With Others

- Collaborative
 - Selfless
 - Family-Centric
 - United
 - Gracious
 - Considerate
 - Generous
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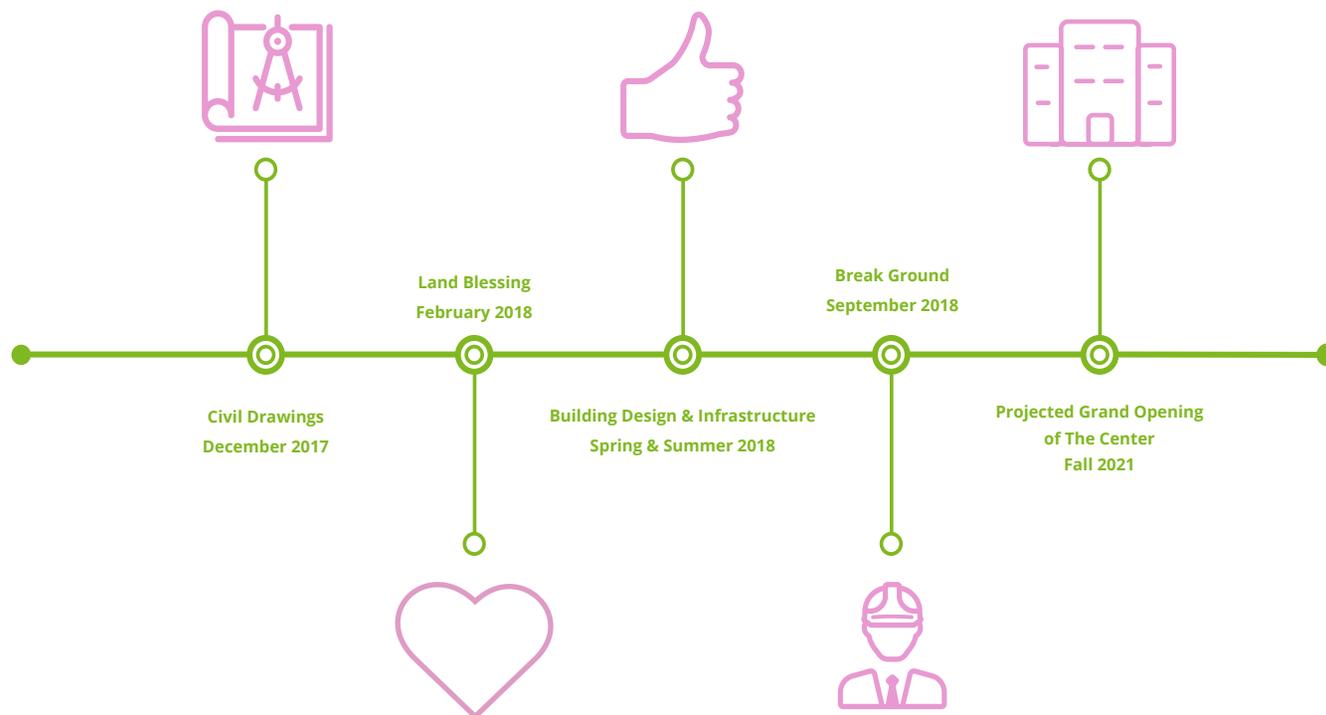
Through Actions

- Disciplined
- Balanced
- Innovative
- Steadfast
- Loving
- Hopeful
- Impassioned
- Supportive
- Protective

Giving Family Hope Center

The Giving Family Hope Center is being developed by Giving Hope Foundation to support families and friends of children and adults with unique needs. Giving Hope Foundation will bring together partners and organizations with aligned missions to do great work through God's guidance. The Giving Family Hope Center will offer:

- Technologically-Enabled Research
- Comprehensive Medical Services
- Collaborative Behavioral Health Services
- Inspiring Community Engagement
- Unified Wellness and Recreation
- Innovative Work-Life Opportunities



Our Key Strategic Initiatives

Organizational Framework

Intentionally and solidly building Giving Hope Foundation's structure and leadership on its mission, vision and values for a successful and sustainable future.

Brand Awareness

Depicting Giving Hope Foundation's brand in a way that tells the stories of those it serves and how it will be a new model of care in a way that maintains complete alignment with its mission, vision and values.

Unified Partnerships

Assuring selection of partners that are aligned with the mission, vision and values of Giving Hope Foundation to create mutually beneficial relationships with clear expectations and outcomes.

Impactful Programing

Developing a full range of integrated programming to serve those individuals with unique needs and their circles of support to include technologically-enabled research, comprehensive medical services, collaborative behavioral health services, inspiring community engagement, unified wellness and recreation, and innovative work-life opportunities.

Abundant Resources

Engaging supporters and securing the necessary funds to build and sustain the mission, vision and values of Giving Hope Foundation through excellence in stewardship.

Cutting Edge Facilities

Creating state-of-the-art, technology-rich buildings and other infrastructure that will enable the Giving Hope Foundation mission and vision to be fully realized.

How to Invest in Giving Hope Foundation

Donate

Individuals and businesses can invest in Giving Hope Foundation by making an annual contribution to the organization. Complete and mail the Donation Form that can be downloaded from the website's donation page and enclose the form with your check (made payable to Giving Hope Foundation). Or, go to the website to make your gift online.

Pledges & Monthly Donations

Spread your gift payments to the Giving Hope Fund over several years. Pledges of up to three years will be accepted. Complete and mail the Pledge Form that can be downloaded from the website's donation page, along with your first pledge payment. If you wish to spread your gift payments out throughout the course of one year, you can make a recurring gift on our website.

Matching Gifts

Maximize your giving. Ask your employer to see if they participate in a matching gifts program and double the power of your gift.

Volunteer

If you have a passion for serving, we would ask you to consider spreading the mission, volunteering, or helping to plan an upcoming event.

Corporate Sponsorships

Corporate partners greatly enhance the work being done by Giving Hope Foundation as we work toward the creation of the Giving Family Hope Center.



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