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The Hatton Foundation Supports Devoted Dads
Talbert House's Fatherhood Project receives two-year sponsorship

CINCINNATI— Thanks to a generous \$80,000 grant provided by the Hatton Foundation of Cincinnati, all additional funds raised for Talbert House's annual Fatherhood Celebration Luncheon will go directly to support local fathers and families through the Fatherhood Project.

The grant has been awarded over a two-year term beginning in 2016 and will cover all costs associated with presenting the luncheon. In awarding this grant, Executive Director Walter Lunsford said, "The Hatton Foundation is very pleased to support this critical work that will directly provide fathers with the support and tools they need to strengthen their families."

Talbert House's Fatherhood Luncheon honors fathers from both the community and the Fatherhood Project, a program that assists men in their efforts to become responsible, committed and nurturing fathers. This year's luncheon, held on June 2 at the Hyatt Regency Downtown, will honor Buddy LaRosa, Ken Griffey Sr., and Brad Wallis as 2016 Fathers of the Year. The luncheon is held as an annual fundraiser allowing Talbert House to provide services at no charge to the fathers.

The Hatton Foundation is an independent grant-making foundation created in 1997 upon the death of E. Kenneth Hatton, M.D., and his wife Ester Marie. Dr. Hatton served on the staff of Good Samaritan hospital for over 40 years and was a general practitioner with an office in Bond Hill. The Foundation supports projects in the eight-county Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky area.

"The Hatton Foundation has a long history of funding projects that support vulnerable families," said Board President Steve Scherzinger. "We are honored and excited to sponsor the Fatherhood Luncheons for 2016 and 2017."

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Talbert House is a community-wide nonprofit that operates within five service lines: Adult Behavioral Health, Community Care, Court and Corrections, Housing, and Youth Behavioral Health. Children, adults and families benefit from these proven services. Each year, Talbert House serves over 37,500 clients face to face and an additional 28,000 are reached through prevention services throughout Greater Cincinnati. Talbert House's mission has two basic purposes: to improve social behavior and enhance personal recovery and growth.