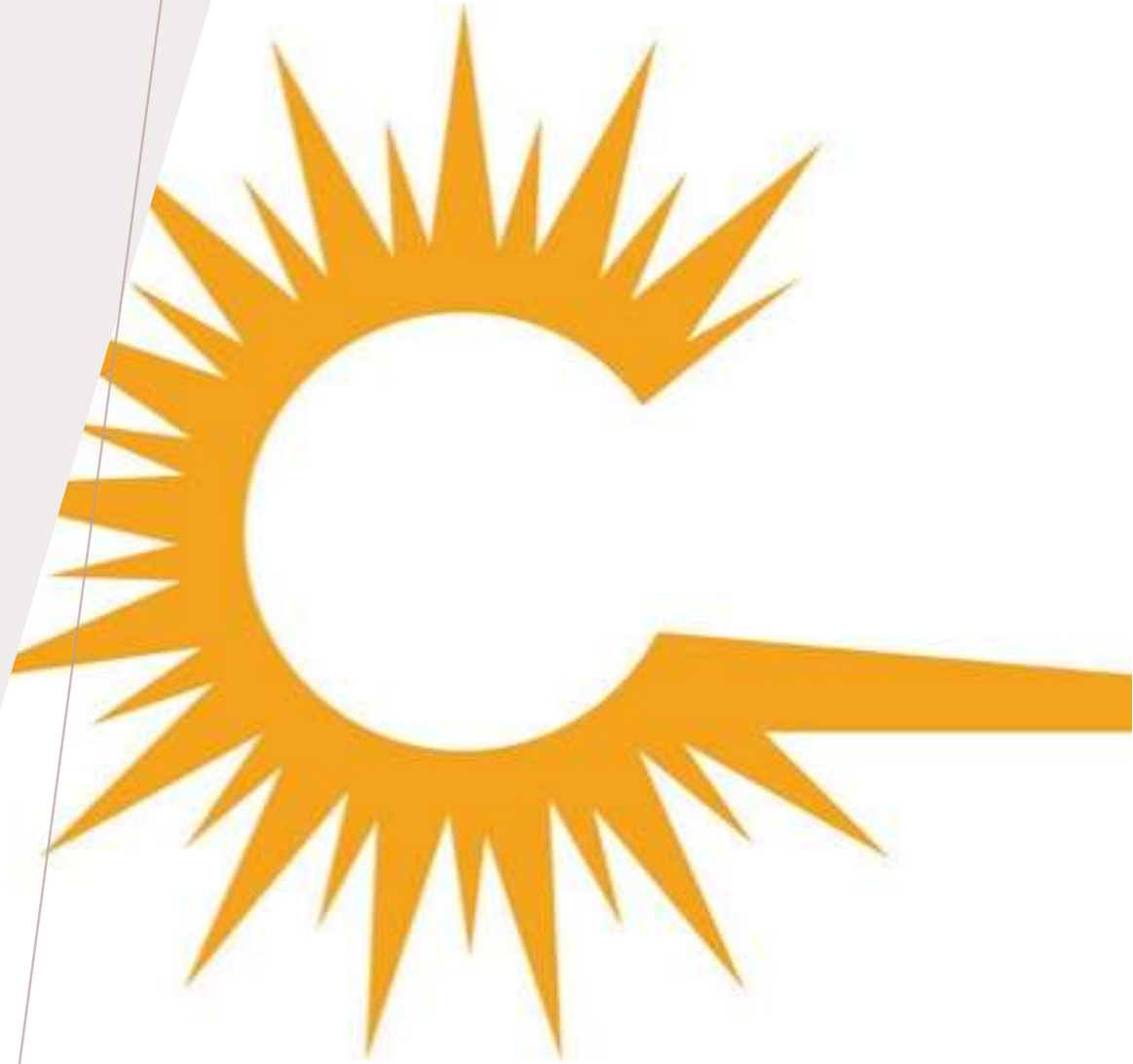


*WELCOME  
TO  
LUMINARY*

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# *WHAT IS LUMINARY?*

## Definition of Luminary

- A person who inspires or influences others, especially one prominent in a particular sphere.
- a natural light-giving body, especially the sun or moon.

## Purpose and Mission

- Purpose: To give fatherless youth the opportunities they deserve to become the people they were meant to be
- Mission: To light a path for youth in need allowing them to have a brighter future

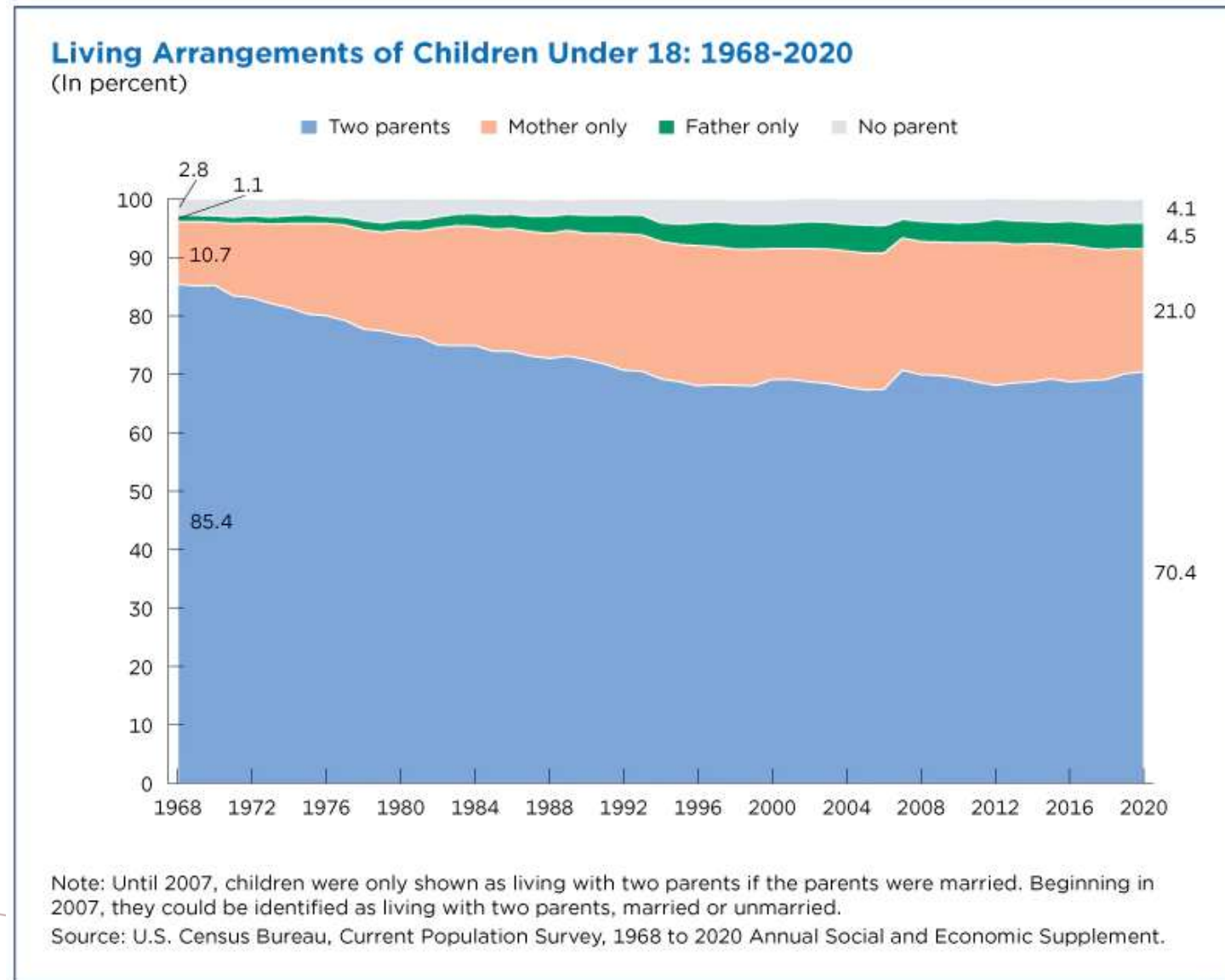
# *ABOUT US*

- The starting location is in Humboldt Park, Chicago
- We set out to mentor young men (Elementary - High school age) who don't have fathers or strong male figures in their lives.
- The mentoring consists of both group mentoring and the more focused one on one
- Will include events and day trips as well as casual hangouts
- We also have resources to help mentees with unavoidable life situations

# *FATHERLESS HOMES*

- Nearly 25 million children live without their biological father
- 60% of youth suicides are from fatherless homes
- 71% of high school dropouts come from fatherless homes
- 85% of youths in prison come from fatherless homes
- 90% of all homeless and runaway children are from fatherless homes

# HOW MUCH IS THIS CHANGING?



# WHAT POPULATION IS THIS EFFECTING?

## Living Arrangements of Children Under 18 by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2020

(In percent)

Two parents — married   Two parents — not married   Mother only   Father only   No parent



Note: Percents may not sum to 100 due to rounding.

Note: White, non-Hispanic indicates children whose race was reported as White alone, and who were reported as non-Hispanic. Black alone and Asian alone indicate children whose race was reported as a single race group.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2020 Annual Social and Economic Supplement.

# *WHAT CAN MENTORING DO?*

- 55% more likely to enroll in college
- 78% more likely to volunteer regularly
- 90% of them are interested in becoming a mentor themselves
- 130% more likely to hold leadership positions
- 46% less likely to use drugs
- 81% more likely to participate in sports or extracurricular activities

# *BOARD MEMBERS*

## Chair:

- Mark D. Wilcox (YMCA former Vice Chair & Cofounder)

## Vice Chair:

- Jeff Bergman (Youth Justice Lawyer)

## Members:

- Chris Rock (Actor, Comedian)
- Keith A. Lewis Jr. (I'm A Father F1rst Cofounder)
- Jermaine Clark (I'm A Father F1rst Cofounder)
- Samuel Bonilla (Founder)



# *SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS*

- I'm A Father F1rst (Atlanta)
  - Free hair cuts
  - Mentoring local boys typically single parent homes
  - Redubbing of “Corner Boys”
- No Longer Fatherless (Florida)
  - Investing fatherless children
  - Weekly meetings doing everything from tutoring, to sports, to watching movies
  - Relationship focused, 1 on 1 mentoring
- Good Samaritan Boy Ranch (Missouri)
  - Footsteps Transitional Home
    - Group home
    - Group focused activities
    - Home for troubled individuals

***THANK YOU!***

Contact Us For Mentor and Donation  
Opportunities

# *SOURCES*

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