Dear Friends,

For many, this past year has been filled with stress and uncertainty. As we begin a new year, it is a time to reflect, help others recover, and plan for the future. When I think about work of Family Service League, I am filled with gratitude to the remarkable donors, community partners, volunteers, and staff. I'm delighted to share some much needed good news - beginning with **FSL's 95th Anniversary** of providing quality care to Long Islanders in need. Throughout 2021 we will be celebrating this important milestone that you, our supporters, have helped us reach.

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The holiday season was very different for most of us. Many families are facing extreme poverty, emotional distress, and in some cases homelessness. These factors are difficult to overcome in the best of circumstances but combined with the many challenges associated with Covid-19 - it has been overwhelming. **The success of Project TOY and the donations received this holiday season allowed over 4,500 children and their families to celebrate with new to toys, gifts, and the knowledge that their neighbors care.** Here at FSL, the months leading up to the holiday season brought inspiration and goodwill. Hundreds of individuals, families, civic groups, and companies came forward to help. Thousands of meals were prepared, toys were thoughtfully chosen, clothing was purchased, valuable hand-made masks and medical grade PPE was secured for staff and clients, and critical monetary donations have kept vital programs available for those most vulnerable. This generous outpouring has been inspiring and desperately needed. Our deepest appreciation to all for their generosity and compassion.

Another bright spot to announce is that FSL has again been named a **Newsday Top Workplace** and has earned the distinction of **2021 Top Workplaces USA Award**, issued by Energage. Winners of the Top Workplaces are chosen based solely on employee feedback gathered through an independently employee engagement survey. These recognitions are an opportunity to acknowledge the dedication, professionalism, and compassion of the FSL staff – all of whom make our work possible.

- They offer counseling and tangible resources to those in despair.
- They deliver comfort and care to those in crisis.
- They impart life skills to new parents and caregivers.
- They share their talents to help educate others.
- Most of all each, one of them give the gift of hope to our neighbors in need.

Together, with our donors, we carry out the vital work of restoring hope and rebuilding lives. I am proud and uplifted by what we accomplish as a team and look forward to continuing our mission of service in the coming year. Thank you for your continued support and know that FSL is here for you and your loved ones. Be well!

Warmest Regards,
Karen Boorshtein
President & CEO

Visit the **"Find Help"** page of
www.fsl-li.org for information on services and programs for children, families, and seniors.

Since 1926, FSL has assisted in all aspects of human services, including mental health counseling, treatment of addiction abuse, crisis care, early education, and senior services. Every year, it touches the lives of more than 50,000 Long Island children and families. In this social climate it is important to reiterate its founding values - FSL rejects racism, prejudice,

and intolerance on every level. Today, and every day in communities across Long Island, FSL is Restoring Hope and Rebuilding Lives!

Your contributions are needed now more than ever. Together, we can overcome the challenges of this unprecedented situation and build a stronger future for all Long Islanders! Making a tax deductible donation is easy by clicking below or sending a text to 91999 and type "FSLCovid". Any amount is greatly appreciated!

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