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**Kingsley House Awarded Funding from The Humana Foundation
to Expand Kingsley Connections Career Pathways Program**

Thanks to a generous investment of over \$600,000 from The Humana Foundation, Kingsley House is expanding the service footprint of its *Kingsley Connections* Career Pathways Program with the addition of *Kingsley Connections Hubs*—satellite program offices that will operate from neighborhood locations in New Orleans East and Treme in Louisiana.

Kingsley Connections Hubs will offer the same programming, including workforce development trainings and financial coaching, as well as social service resources and referrals that are currently provided at the organization’s historic campus at 1600 Constance Street in the Irish Channel.

“We are incredibly appreciative of the Humana Foundation’s continued partnership and support for our efforts to break the cycle of generational poverty in our community,” said Keith Liederman, Ph.D., Kingsley House CEO. “Kingsley Connections Hubs will bring access to our Career Pathways Program to neighborhoods with the greatest need and will help elevate the economic security of families as they successfully obtain the necessary education and training to secure high demand, living wage careers.”

Since its inception in 2019, Kingsley Connections has linked hundreds of individuals to job readiness training, post-secondary education and employment opportunities. The program has also played a pivotal role in building the talent pipeline for healthcare organizations throughout the pandemic.

“It’s an honor to support the expansion of the career-readiness resources of the Kingsley Connections Career Pathways Program,” said Tiffany Benjamin, CEO of the Humana Foundation. “By embedding workforce services in neighborhoods with the greatest need, Kingsley House will accelerate the economic growth of people across New Orleans.”

In step with the organization’s advocacy and collaborative efforts, Kingsley House will document and share learnings from the Humana Foundation funded grant period with partner organizations, policymakers, and other stakeholders focused on the economic mobility of vulnerable populations and racial equity initiatives to extend the potential of systems-level change of this work.

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About Kingsley House

At Kingsley House, we envision a city and region where all young children are ready to succeed, and all citizens are healthy and economically stable. Recognizing that vulnerable families are at risk of being caught in an intractable cycle of poverty, we are committed to ensuring that individuals and families have the support necessary to be successful at all stages of life. To accomplish our goals, we join forces with dedicated community partners. Collectively, we work with families to fuel economic growth and social change in our city, state, and region.

Founded in 1896, Kingsley House's mission is to educate children, strengthen families and build community. A name change that reflects the organization's values and vision is forthcoming during its 125th anniversary celebration this year. For more information, visit www.kingsleyhouse.org.

About Humana Foundation

The Humana Foundation was established in 1981 as the philanthropic arm of Humana Inc., one of the nation's leading health and well-being companies. Located in Louisville, Ky., the Foundation seeks to co-create communities where leadership, culture, and systems work to improve and sustain positive health outcomes. For more information, visit humanafoundation.org. Humana and The Humana Foundation are dedicated to Corporate Social Responsibility. Our goal is to ensure that every business decision we make reflects our commitment to improving the health and well-being of our members, our employees, the communities we serve, and our planet.

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