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ABOUT

As the youngest in a family of five, I was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio. I attended high school at St. Augustine Academy and in 2007, earned a B.A. in Public Relations from Baldwin Wallace University where I also met my husband, John. I started my professional career at the Center for Families and Children and later moved on to Berea Children's Home (now Ohio Guidestone). As a mother to four daughters, I took a break from a professional career to spend time at home raising them and also spent years operating a successful home bakery.

After an afternoon trip to Lakewood Park in the spring of 2016, John and I decided to move our family to Lakewood. The diversity, accepting nature, and welcoming community were the environment we wanted our girls to grow up in. Since the move, we have never looked back. We are overwhelmingly pleased with where we are and are happy to give our children the experience of living in such an open, bustling neighborhood – and the endless restaurant choices don't hurt either.

My girls have attended many of the schools within the Lakewood City School District and have had such devoted teachers and unique educational experiences. Having the opportunity to work for LREF has opened my eyes, even more so than as a parent, to see the true excellence that the LSCD offers to every student. I am happy to be a part of an organization that is invested in the opportunities and success of the children within its community.