1916 The Bethany Children’s Home was established in West Duluth by the Swedish Lutheran Churches of Duluth and Superior. Funds were collected by churches for an orphanage to support homeless children of northern Minnesota and Northwest Wisconsin.

1920 Just four years after the home was converted to an orphanage, the building caught fire and burned to the ground.

1923 After the fire in 1920, the Swedish Lutheran Church leased a home that served as a temporary orphanage until the new brick Bethany Home opened in 1923.

1974 The existing building was purchased. Serves youth ages 0-17 who have experienced varying forms of crisis. This space offers the safety and stability needed to plan for what comes next, whether it is foster care or family reunification.

2021 Knowing that ending youth homelessness begins at birth, LSS is positioned to enhance the services offered to youth at our Morgan Park location in Duluth. This new facility will offer adaptability for children served at the Crisis Shelter and will continue to strengthen families through the Family Resource Center. We are proud to continue the legacy of caring for children in our community.

JOIN US!
- Through prayer
- Through volunteerism
- Through in-kind giving
- Through a financial gift

THE REBUILD WILL FEATURE:
- Customized care rooms
- Bedrooms large enough for sibling sets
- Space for supervised visitation, family coaching, and parent education classes
- Enhanced space to care for children and strengthen families
- Zero days of lost care

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