



2023 Impact Report

LIGHT *of* HEARTS VILLA

Thrive



A Year of Growth and Thriving

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Dear Friends,

As we reflect on the past year, it brings me immense joy to share the remarkable strides and achievements we've collectively made in enhancing the quality of life for our residents. Your unwavering support has been the cornerstone of our success, and I am thrilled to present the *2023 Impact Report* as we continue to foster transparency and communication throughout our work – and as we continue to thrive.

In 2023, Light of Hearts Villa experienced significant growth and prosperity. Your generous contributions fueled our ability to expand programs, enrich the lives of residents, and create a thriving community that embraces wellness and happiness. Together, we have cultivated an environment where every individual flourishes, and your impact is evident in the smiles and stories that grace our halls.

Renovations Transforming Spaces

Our commitment to providing a home that radiates warmth and comfort led us to embark on some exciting renovations. Your support played a pivotal role in transforming living spaces and communal areas into vibrant, welcoming havens, including the completion of our second floor and the game room area. The upgraded facilities not only enhance the physical environment, but also contribute to the emotional well-being of our residents, fostering a sense of belonging and joy.

Looking Forward to Our 35th Anniversary

As we celebrate the accomplishments of the past year, we eagerly anticipate the upcoming 35th anniversary of Light of Hearts Villa. This milestone offers a poignant moment to reflect on the journey we've traveled together and the enduring impact we've made on countless lives. We look forward to commemorating this special occasion with events and initiatives that honor our shared history and inspire a future filled with compassion, care and community.

Gratitude Beyond Words

Your commitment to Light of Hearts Villa goes beyond financial contributions; it is a testament to the profound connection and shared values we hold dear. On behalf of our residents, staff and the entire Light of Hearts Villa community, I extend my deepest gratitude for your continued support. Your generosity has not only sustained us, but has allowed us to thrive and grow, making a lasting difference in the lives of those we serve.

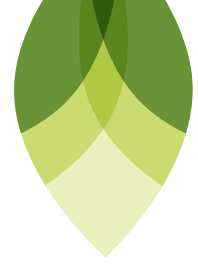
This 2023 Impact Report is designed to detail insights into the impact of your contributions. I invite you to explore the stories, achievements and milestones that your support has made possible.

Thank you for being a beacon of hope and compassion at Light of Hearts Villa. Together, we are creating a legacy of care and an ability to thrive. I look forward to the continued journey ahead.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Breanne Cavileer, LNHA, CDP

Executive Director, Light of Hearts Villa



The Determination and Resilience to Thrive



Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure and deep gratitude that I extend my heartfelt greetings to each of you as the president of the Light of Hearts Villa Board of Directors. I share a deep-rooted connection with this community, having previously served as the principal during the time when the building functioned as Lumen Cordium High School.

As we reflect on the past year, I am honored to share the *2023 Impact Report*, a testament to the collective efforts and shared commitment that have propelled us forward.

In the face of challenges, our community has exhibited remarkable resilience and determination. Your steadfast support has been the backbone of our success. Together, we have navigated uncertainties, embraced opportunities and achieved significant milestones that have furthered our mission to provide exceptional care and compassion to our residents.

As stewards of your trust and contributions, the Light of Hearts Villa Board of Directors has diligently overseen the financial aspects of our organization. We are pleased to report that your generosity has been utilized prudently, contributing to the fiscal health and sustainability of Light of Hearts Villa. Our commitment to transparency and accountability remains unwavering, and we are proud to share the detailed financial report included in this document.

On behalf of the board, I extend our heartfelt appreciation to each member of our community – donors, volunteers, staff and residents – for your unwavering commitment and dedication. Your support has been instrumental in creating an environment where seniors can thrive, find joy and experience the care they deserve.

Thank you for being an integral part of our journey. Together, we are creating a legacy of compassionate care and community support.

With love and gratitude,

Sr. Anita Maroun, SC

Sister Anita Maroun, SC, JD

Chair of the Board, Light of Hearts Villa



MISSION OF LIGHT OF HEARTS VILLA

We are devoted to providing premier senior residential living and community outreach services. Through our faith-based values, we affirm the integrity of each person and encourage them on their journey of aging.

VALUES OF THE SISTERS OF CHARITY HEALTH SYSTEM

COMPASSION
COURAGE
RESPECT
JUSTICE
COLLABORATION

WE LIGHT THE WAY FOR SENIOR CARE

Honoring a 19-Year Legacy

Jim Beres Leaves a Lasting Imprint at Light of Hearts Villa

In 2004, Jim Beres moved into Light of Hearts Villa, initially viewing it as a temporary residence. Instead, he chose to make it a permanent home after being captivated by the warm camaraderie, nutritious meals and spiritual ambiance. Jim actively engaged with the community, becoming a familiar face in the chapel, where he dedicated his time volunteering at Mass and assisting with various tasks.

He demonstrated his commitment to the Seton Safety Net food pantry at Light of Hearts Villa by generously supporting it with both funds and provisions, ensuring it remained well stocked. Beyond the Villa walls, Jim selflessly delivered weekly meals for the Bedford Meals on Wheels program for many years, embodying the spirit of service. A distinguished U.S. Army Veteran, Jim held the rank of lieutenant and served his country from 1962 to 1964.

On March 27, 2023, at the age of 83, Jim Beres peacefully passed away. Sister Regina Kusnir, SC, the director of Pastoral and Special Ministries at Light of Hearts Villa, fondly remembers him as a gentle presence who enriched the community for nearly two decades. “His faith, kindness and concern for others were the hallmarks of his life. He was a quiet man of deep faith,” she remarked.

Jim’s love for Light of Hearts Villa transcended his lifetime, evident in his generous estate gift of \$94,000 to the community. This significant contribution serves as a testament to the deep familial connection he felt with the residents and staff and is now forever a part of the esteemed Light the Way Legacy Society. The society is a special group of supporters who have chosen to make a lasting commitment to Light of Hearts Villa and its residents through a variety of estate-planning tools, including a bequest in a will or trust, charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts, IRA designates, gifts of life insurance and much more.

In honor of Jim, a symbolic tree now graces the front entrance of the Villa, a living tribute to his enduring legacy. His gentle and encouraging spirit will forever resonate within the halls of Light of Hearts Villa, ensuring that the memory of Jim Beres remains an integral part of the community’s history.

For more information on creating a lasting legacy through an estate gift or the Light the Way Legacy Society, please reach out to Amy Huntley at 440.232.1991 ext. 524 or amy.huntley@lightofheartsvilla.org.





In Loving Memory of
James A. Beres
1939 - 2023



Beloved resident of Light of Hearts Villa for 19 years
The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
You guide me along the right path for the sake of Your name.
Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life.
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.
—Psalm 23: 1, 2, 6



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Staff Spotlight

Life Enrichment Director Anne Messer Celebrates a Decade of Enriching Lives

A milestone is not just a number; it's a symbol of commitment, passion and dedication. This year, we proudly celebrate the journey of Life Enrichment Director Anne Messer as she marks an incredible decade of service to residents and the Light of Hearts Villa community.

Since joining the Life Enrichment department 10 years ago, Anne has been the driving force behind the vibrant and engaging resident activities. She brings a touch of magic to every weekend and weekday, ensuring residents' lives are not just lived, but celebrated. Anne is also the director of the Lumen Lane Memory Care Neighborhood. With her extensive background in dementia education, she leads trainings for both staff and general community members.

"A decade is more than just time; it's a testament to Anne's unwavering dedication to our community's well-being and enrichment. We extend our warmest congratulations and heartfelt thanks for her tireless work. Here's to Anne's past, present and future contributions to the joy and vibrancy of our community. May the next 10 years be even more extraordinary," said Executive Director Breanne Cavileer.

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✦ *Breanne Cavileer*

How did you originally get connected to Light of Hearts Villa?

I was working in a skilled nursing facility as an activity director and was ready for a change. I called my career mentor Barb to see if she was aware of any open positions. She told me about a few openings but, she pushed me to pursue the director position at Light of Hearts Villa. I was hesitant because I had never heard of Light of Hearts Villa or even been to Bedford. I went to apply, but the position was no longer posted online. I called Barb and she directed me to Betty Hickle, who was the executive director at the time. I sent my resume to Betty who immediately recognized my name having worked with my mom (Anne Messer) at St. Vincent Charity Medical Center. Betty called, I interviewed and 10 years later I am still here for many reasons.

How has your role evolved over the last 10 years?

Enriching resident lives, keeping them engaged in life and seeing them smile is always at the forefront of my mind. Over the last five years, opportunities arose for additional education and certification in the field of dementia. Executive Director Breanne Cavileer saw my passion for dementia. She included me on the planning and re-design of our Lumen Lane Memory Care. She also

suggested I become a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) to be able to create change and improve quality of life for our residents with dementia. I volunteered to become a Certified Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care Teacher and Certified Dementia Care Manager (CADDCT and CDCM). These certifications provide Light of Hearts Villa the ability to offer the CDP seminar onsite with no cost to employees. As our Lumen Lane Neighborhood opened, we realized our staff needed to better understand what it was like to have dementia, which we're now doing through the Virtual Dementia Tour. [See page 16 for more about the virtual tour.] I am provided the opportunity to grow, learn and thrive, none of which is possible without the support of Breanne and my amazing team of Life Enrichment assistants. I am endlessly appreciative to be included in this community.

Which factors do you consider when planning resident events?

I want the residents to enjoy what they are doing. Safety and capability are also important in planning. My goal is always to fulfill residents physically, mentally, socially and emotionally. My team and I try to plan activities to meet the needs of all residents and so they can do activities with little assistance.



I also work closely with my assistants to incorporate their ideas into the calendars. It is a collaborative effort with feedback from residents and my team about which activities to keep and which to eliminate.

What do you appreciate or value the most about working here?

The opportunity to grow and learn professionally. The ability to make change and improve resident quality of life and work on a team that supports each other.

What are your hobbies or special interests that you like to participate in outside of work?

I love relaxing at the pool in the summer, adventures with my nieces and nephew, live music, art, DIY projects, anything creative, and spending time with my family.

What are some life lessons that you've learned from working so closely with the residents?

Over the years, I've learned so many different things. They have taught me to be my true, authentic self, to live life with passion, to forgive myself and others, learn from mistakes, apologize, find

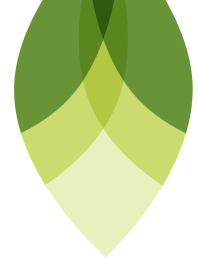
happiness and joy in everyday life, and to live in the moment. Our residents have changed my life... they inspire me every day to be the best version of myself.

Why do you think the Villa is a special place to work?

Well, so many reasons. The feeling you get when you walk in the doors, the smile from a resident, kind words from a co-worker and the sense of belonging and acceptance. I have said a million times and I will continue to say, "You don't find the Villa, the Villa finds you." What I mean is that you find a time in your life where you are not sure where to go or what to do next. You feel lost and somehow, somehow by luck or fate, Light of Hearts Villa finds its way into your life. This place is special and always will be.

Where do you see the Villa in 10 years?

Standing strong in the senior living world at the forefront of dementia care and education. I see the Villa continuing to set the standard of how to best care for the elderly and continuing to stay grounded in our mission while remaining relevant and planning for the future.



FROM OUR DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

Following are reports from each Light of Hearts Villa department director about the variety of activities their departments undertook in 2023.



Mission

Sister Regina Kusnir, SC

Light of Hearts Villa is encompassed by goodness. Everywhere you turn, you meet a smiling face, hear a kind word, enjoy a laugh, see goodness in action. Everyone in the Villa family: residents, staff, volunteers, family members, board members, benefactors and visitors, reach out to each other and illuminate the mission of the Villa. Goodness and light flow from our faith-based values and Make God’s Love Visible! Staff, at the annual Mission In-Service, identified what touches their hearts and inspires them to be their best as daily they live out the mission. Their most frequent responses were: “seeing staff go above and beyond job descriptions to help a resident; the love I receive from the residents; the teamwork and friendship; when the sisters say, “God Bless you.”; when the residents smile, laugh and joke with us; listening to the residents’ stories about their lives; helping my team reach their goals and watching their success; residents enjoying their days at the Villa; family members having peace of mind knowing their loved one is cared for and loved; as caregivers we are beacons of light to those in need of caring persons who understand their needs; the joy on residents’ faces; I can feel the love and compassion and I am a part of it; the hugs I receive from my residents; there is a reason for LOHV, it’s because everyone cares.” Indeed, it is a living mission. One notable moment of the year occurred in June when the community at large was warmly welcomed back to join us for Mass in the chapel after a three-year hiatus caused by COVID. Our guests were thrilled to reunite and connect with numerous new residents.



Social Services

Robert Evans, MSSA, LSW

In 2023, I stayed busy supporting our residents as they transitioned to the Assisted Living Waiver. I also helped them to navigate the Medicare/Medicaid world as well as managing our Seton Safety Net food closet. It helps us to be good neighbors to seniors in our area who experience a food shortfall. I continue to chair the Grievance Committee and Men’s Club, and serve as a sound mind and mentor to residents when needed. During the past year, I have received many calls from people in the community requesting assistance. I have provided supportive services with either food, gift cards or referrals to other agencies. Additionally, I continue to support the local Meals on Wheels program by providing assessments for seniors in the community and I act as the liaison between Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging, Medicaid and Medicare and this facility. My favorite quote is, “It’s nice to be nice, and to show God’s love being visible by giving our seniors the tangible supports that they need, especially in these trying times.”



Life Enrichment

Anne Messer, ADC, CDP, CADDCT, CDCM

In 2023, Life Enrichment embraced a new beginning, challenging ourselves to enhance activities, infuse creativity and incorporate technology for residents. Highlights included a Chinese New Year celebration, a successful resident support group led by Social Worker Kelly DiTurno, and a Luau-themed tea party despite snowy weather. Wii Games were introduced upon resident request. Spring featured a men’s group, scenic outings and a memorable adventure to the CLE sign at Edgewater Park. The summer kicked off with patios opening, celebrating milestone birthdays and hosting an ice cream party. Notable outings included a Kentucky Derby art project, a picnic and a visit to the Light the Way Gala. Fall



introduced the Write to Remember program led by Marlia Hall and a book-lending initiative by Bedford Library. Halloween was celebrated with music and costumes, and Veterans Day was honored with a pinning ceremony and video. December brought festive decorations, performances by the Bedford High School A Capella Choir and a Christmas party. The year concluded with a New Year's Eve party. Gratitude is continuously expressed to the Life Enrichment team for their limitless creativity and dedication, promising new adventures in 2024.



Wellness
Donna Allen, RN

I continue to feel incredibly blessed to be in my role for more than four years. This role remains both rewarding and challenging, and with God's grace, our team successfully navigated the worst of the COVID pandemic by leaning on each other, staying true to our mission and ensuring our residents received the best care possible. My journey with the team and residents is truly enjoyable. I cherish the stories our residents share, encompassing hard times, sad moments and joyous occasions. We laugh, cry, hug, joke and form deep connections with each resident. Despite the ongoing nursing staff shortages in the country, our dedicated and brave team perseveres, treating residents like family. They go above and beyond to address the physical, mental and social needs of our residents. Witnessing staff from every department interact with residents is heartwarming. I maintain a commitment to educate staff on new policies and procedures, ensuring they understand the rationale behind them. I listen to their suggestions, concerns and needs, holding multiple in-services throughout the year to keep the Wellness staff informed. Our monthly resident meetings serve as a platform to update residents on staff changes, share new information from ODH/CDC or the health department, and address any concerns or questions. We offer various vaccines and prioritize actively listening to residents' concerns. Anticipating the developments of 2024, I look forward to witnessing the positive impact it brings to our facility and our remarkable residents.

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I am blessed to be here helping others and contributing along with an amazing staff at this well respected and highly sought-after facility, and I love it. It's such a great feeling working along-side so many inspiring co-workers who really care for our residents.”

✦ *Current employee*



**Dietary***Ray Dorman and Karen Champa*

As we step into 2024, we reflect on the positive moments of 2023. Despite a couple of brief COVID interruptions, our dining room remained open, providing a welcoming space for residents.



Our commitment to meaningful interactions with residents remains a central focus, complemented by our dedication to serving nutritious and delightful meals. Over the past year, we've expanded our menu offerings, introducing new items to both lunch and supper. Each meal now features two main choices, along with alternative options, catering to a diverse range of preferences. Responding to resident requests, we've increased the inclusion of fresh vegetables, enhancing the nutritional value of our offerings. Time-tested favorites like soups, turkey, ribs and cheeseburgers continue to be cherished by residents. One positive trend from the past year has been the significant reduction in supply issues. We hope that this trend continues throughout 2024, ensuring a consistent and satisfying dining experience. As we embark on this new year, our anticipation is high for the positive experiences and opportunities it will bring. Here's to a great 2024, filled with enriching moments and delightful meals for our cherished residents!

**Admissions** *Kieran Patton*

We were truly fortunate to welcome 36 new residents into our family throughout 2023, successfully filling our assisted living rooms and establishing a waiting list. The Lumen Lane Memory Care Neighborhood maintained a consistent census for most of the year, and currently, we are witnessing significant interest from visitors eager to occupy the available rooms. One particularly exciting development is the vibrant energy and active participation of the new residents who have joined us. They are enthusiastically engaging in our diverse range of activities, and we've extended our community involvement by sponsoring activity programs at neighboring senior centers and participating in senior and wellness expos in various communities. Our primary mode of advertising remains the powerful combination of word-of-mouth, personal referrals and the sharing of our posts on Facebook. We deeply appreciate the testimonials, referrals and conversations with family, friends and neighbors. Your continued support in this regard holds immense value for those you share them with, their families and our dedicated staff.

**Human Resources***Sister Sandy Emrich, SCN*

As of the end of 2023, our team has grown to include 44 full-time and 30 part-time employees. Notably, the wellness and dietary teams experienced the highest demand for new hires this year. Witnessing our employees demonstrate compassion while assisting residents to fulfill our mission leaves me in awe. Their dedication reflects the heart of our community. Recognition for years of service was a highlight, with 12 employees across various departments receiving awards. Notably, four employees celebrated a decade of service, while eight marked five years. The year brought numerous enjoyable moments for both residents and employees, fostering a sense of camaraderie. Looking ahead, I aspire to deepen my understanding of the ever-changing landscape of HR issues in today's world through diverse learning methods and by tapping into the expertise of my peers.

**Facility Operations** *John Ivan*

Throughout the past year, my team has consistently maintained the facility's cleanliness and safety, ensuring smooth operations across all phases of building activities to uphold a high census. We have been actively engaged in ongoing renovations, focusing on two additional hall areas, where fresh paint, updated flooring and new artwork are in the final stages. Residents have expressed their appreciation for the updates, often complimenting our team directly. Our experienced staff efficiently handles resident requests for repairs, additional laundry and housekeeping, showcasing their veteran expertise in addressing various needs. Ensuring the safety and security of all our residents remains our daily priority, reinforcing our commitment to their well-being. The building's IT infrastructure also underwent an upgrade in 2023, leading to a significant improvement in internet speed and efficiency for both residents and staff. We extend our gratitude to the team at the Sisters of Charity Health System for overseeing this process.





Empowering the Community: Free Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia Care Seminars Provide Tools for Better Care

Alzheimer’s disease and dementia are conditions that touch the lives of countless individuals and families, and the impact is profound. Thanks to the generous support of a \$25,000 grant from State Farm, Light of Hearts Villa offered four educational seminars in 2023 about Alzheimer’s disease and dementia care at no charge to community members. Providing education and support is vital to enhancing the quality of life for those affected and their caregivers. The seminars aimed to fulfill that crucial mission.

“We are immensely grateful to State Farm for their generous grant, which enabled us to make these seminars available to the community at no cost when they are typically \$195 per person. Their commitment to community well-being is truly commendable,” said Executive Director Breanne Cavileer.

Attendees gained a better understanding of the conditions faced by those with Alzheimer’s and dementia and the tools to provide better care. The knowledge shared in these sessions will undoubtedly benefit individuals, families and caregivers within the community.

“I learned specifically how to improve my communication with residents with dementia through calm approach and non-verbal techniques. I really enjoyed learning about the varying activities to use for different levels of dementia and the appropriate timing to implement,” said Denisha English, who attended the seminar in March and is the memory care director at Rose Senior Living.

Continuing A Mission of Care and Support

The mission at Light of Hearts Villa is to provide exceptional care and support to those served. The success of these seminars aligns perfectly with the dedication to this mission. “We believe that an educated community is a more compassionate and supportive one,” said Breanne.

The goal in the future is to offer more educational opportunities and support to the community, to continue making a difference in the lives of those affected by Alzheimer’s disease and dementia.

“Thank you to State Farm for their generosity and to all community members who attended the seminars in 2023. Your participation and support empower us to continue our mission and to make a meaningful impact in the lives of those who need it most,” said Breanne.



Development & Marketing *Amy Huntley*

The year 2023 marked a significant milestone in both fundraising and marketing endeavors.

Our ongoing efforts in the past few years have been dedicated to keeping our community well-informed about the happenings at the Villa. Through diverse channels, such as our active social media presence, monthly “Happenings at the Heart” emails, community update letters and our biannual *Villa Voices* newsletters, we work to maintain a meaningful connection with our community. This consistent communication has had a profound impact on enhancing our relationship with the community. In 2023, our formidable army of supporters played a crucial role in helping us raise an impressive amount – nearly \$400,000! Notable highlights include the success of our second annual Light the Way Gala and the record-breaking achievements on #weGIVECATHOLIC giving day. Witnessing the collective accomplishments for our residents leaves me in awe, and I am truly grateful for what we achieved together. Being part of this special community is a blessing and an honor that I cherish every day. As we look forward to 2024 and celebrating the 35th anniversary of Light of Hearts Villa, we have exciting plans in store. I am eager to see how this remarkable community continues to exceed expectations and amaze us throughout the coming year!



Finance *Chris Sanders*

Our community is incredibly fortunate to have remarkable donors, and their generosity

is especially evident through the Sr. Helen T. Scasny, SC Benevolent Fund. This fund plays a crucial role in ensuring residents facing financial constraints receive the care they need. Despite recent financial challenges since the pandemic, there's a sense of optimism as we see a promising trajectory ahead. Projections indicate that 2024 is anticipated to be one of our most successful years to date.

\$394,916

TOTAL RAISED

\$158,899

UNRESTRICTED

\$228,518

SISTER HELEN T. SCASNYS, SC
BENEVOLENT FUND

\$850

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

\$3,310

SETON SAFETY NET

\$3,339

CHAPEL

Sister Helen T. Scasny, SC Benevolent Fund

MEDICAID SHORTFALL: \$1,125,789

Life can present intricate challenges. Despite families meticulously planning and saving for the future, unforeseen circumstances can swiftly deplete their resources. The Benevolent Fund at Light of Hearts Villa offers support to individuals facing financial constraints, whether they are unable to pay or have exhausted their savings. In such situations, seniors often turn to Medicaid for assistance, yet not all senior living facilities accept Medicaid-only residents.

The Medicaid program is jointly funded by state and federal governments. In numerous states, Ohio included, Medicaid payments often fall short of covering the comprehensive costs associated with treating Medicaid beneficiaries, a category that includes some Light of Hearts Villa residents. In 2023, our Medicaid shortfall amounted to \$1,125,789.00. This figure represents the additional income we would have accrued if all residents were private pay, akin to most corporate for-profit care facilities.

In 2023, a significant 42% of Light of Hearts Villa's residents lacked the means to pay privately. We anticipate this percentage will continue to rise in 2024 and beyond.

Our faith-based mission compels us to address this escalating need, and we are dedicated to upholding our promise to every resident: no one will be forced to leave if they outlive their financial resources. This commitment is sustained through the generous support we receive, keeping the Sister Helen T. Scasny, SC Benevolent Fund operational.

The benevolent fund is made possible through the full funding provided by grants, foundations and individual donations. The invaluable support of our community is crucial in bridging the financial gap and ensuring that our mission of providing compassionate care to those in need remains achievable.



LIGHT OF HEARTS VILLA FINANCIALS

In light of the persistently challenging operating landscape — characterized by the enduring impact of the pandemic, industry-wide staffing shortages and the widening disparity between cost of care and Medicaid reimbursement — Light of Hearts Villa maintains a steadfast confidence in its future growth trajectory. Despite the formidable hurdles posed by these factors, we have consistently delivered the highest quality experience, demonstrating resilience and adaptability as an organization.

We are delighted to bring forth some encouraging news: Ohio has granted approval for an augmentation in Medicaid reimbursement rates applicable to facilities similar to ours, slated to take effect this year in 2024.

In the face of escalating labor costs, other workforce-related challenges and heightened operational expenses tied to meeting the dynamic requirements of residents, these rate enhancements serve as a crucial support system for providers. They enable us to sustain the delivery of the utmost level of care to Ohio's assisted living residents.

Furthermore, the memory care rate, designed for facilities certified to offer memory care services, will play a pivotal role in fortifying this growing and indispensable service. This positive development underscores a commitment to addressing the multifaceted needs of our community, ensuring that providers can maintain and enhance their services, and ultimately contributing to the overall well-being of assisted living residents across Ohio.

Statement of Financial Position

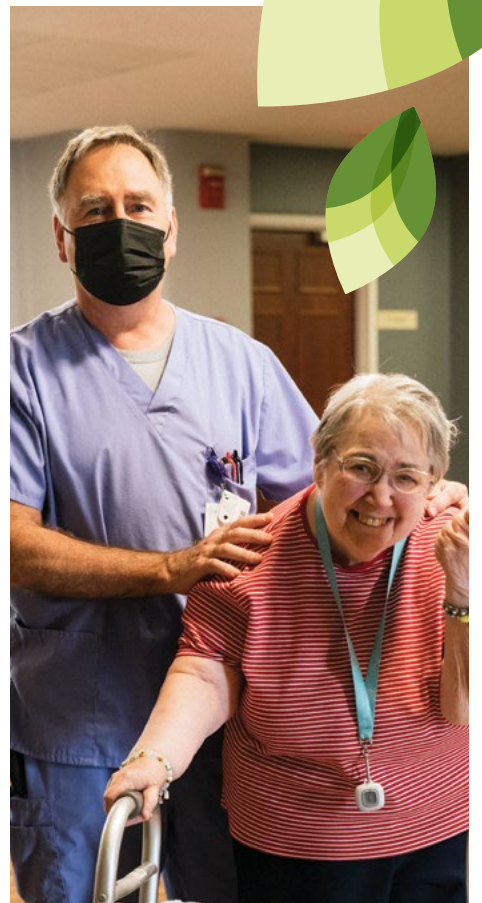
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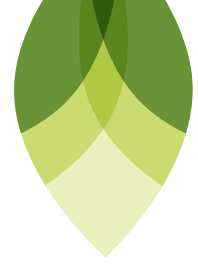
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| Salaries, Benefits, Staff Education and Licensure Renewals | \$3,366,382 |
| Supplies + Food and Beverage | \$430,512 |
| Facility Expenses, Repairs and Maintenance | \$1,332,085 |
| Marketing and Advertising | \$44,643 |
| Total Expenses | \$5,173,622 |

Support & Revenue

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| Resident Service Revenue | \$3,821,715 |
| Federal Government | \$104,881 |
| Fundraising | \$394,916 |
| Investments | \$74,380 |
| Other | \$31,417 |
| Total Support and Revenue | \$4,352,929 |
| End of Year Net Income | (\$746,313) |

**The financial information included in this report is preliminary, unaudited and subject to revision upon completion of the organization's final 2023 audit numbers.*





Unlocking Empathy

A Journey through the Virtual Dementia Tour

What does a person living with dementia feel like? It might be impossible to truly know, but through virtual technology, anyone can get a better idea. Light of Hearts Villa team members had their eyes opened wide in 2023 during the first session of the Virtual Dementia Tour (VDT). This enlightening experience deepened their understanding and empathy for residents living with dementia.

The Virtual Dementia Tour is an educational program designed to provide caregivers, health care professionals and family members with a better understanding of what it feels like to live with dementia. It is a sensory simulation experience that aims to create empathy and awareness of the challenges faced by individuals with dementia.

During a Virtual Dementia Tour, participants wear specialized equipment that simulates the sensory and cognitive changes often associated with dementia. This can include vision impairment, auditory disturbances, decreased dexterity, and altered perception of time and space. Participants are then guided through a series of everyday tasks and activities, such as setting a table or finding personal belongings, while experiencing the simulated effects of dementia.

Life Enrichment Assistant Dawn Lindeman said the experience was “scary, but really helped me to understand and empathize with what our residents are experiencing.”

The experience is often eye-opening for participants, as it allows them to gain insight into the confusion, frustration and fear that people with dementia may feel. It helps caregivers and professionals better understand the needs of individuals with dementia and adapt their approach to provide more compassionate and effective care.



Lumen Lane Caregiver Christine Clemens completed the Virtual Dementia Tour to deepen her understanding and empathy for residents living with dementia.



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There is the presence of authentic, genuine care from everyone in the Light of Hearts Villa campus. Their professionalism, patience, easy sincere smiles and greetings are reassuring. We appreciated and are thankful for their specialized supervision, safe keeping, caring for and about and our mom.

♦ *Family member of a former resident*



LIGHT of HEARTS VILLA

LIGHT THE WAY

Gala



Light the Way Gala Surpasses Expectations, Raises \$120,000 to Enrich Resident Lives

Friday, September 29, proved to be a special evening at the historic Tanglewood Club in Chagrin Falls as Light of Hearts Villa hosted the second annual Light the Way Gala. More than 250 attendees enjoyed a variety of attractions, including a resort raffle, rare bourbon raffle, wine pull, open bar, and plated dinner and dessert provided by Normandy Catering.

The program featured inspiring remarks from Sisters of Charity Health System President and CEO Jan Murphy. The evening reached its pinnacle with a heartwarming award presentation honoring Deacon Robert and Mrs. Mary Ann Kaminski for their outstanding contributions.

Adding to the excitement, a second Rare Bourbon Raffle, generously sponsored by Melissa and Thom Rogers, proved to be a major highlight. All 200 tickets were quickly sold, raising an additional \$10,000 through this raffle alone.

The funds raised from the gala are earmarked for the Sister Helen T. Scasny, SC Benevolent Fund, the very heart of the mission of Light of Hearts Villa. This fund plays a crucial role in supporting residents who have outlived their financial resources. A special acknowledgment and heartfelt appreciation go to the Light the Way Event Sponsor, Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland, for their generous commitment and unwavering support of our mission.



Save the Date: September 27

2024 Light the Way Gala Celebrates 35th Anniversary

Mark your calendars for the much-anticipated 2024 Light the Way Gala, scheduled for Friday, September 27, at the Astrodome Event Center at St. Josaphat Cathedral in Parma, Ohio. The event will be bigger than ever before. Join us as we joyfully celebrate our 35th anniversary, promising another unforgettable evening of unity and support for the Light of Hearts Villa community. More information to come in spring of 2024!



The Astrodome Event Center on the grounds of St. Josaphat Cathedral in Parma

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In 2023, fundraising efforts were remarkably successful, reaching a total of \$394,916, thanks to the generosity of many supporters. This achievement was made possible by 553 individual donors, six foundations and 39 businesses that contribute to enhancing Light of Hearts Villa’s capacity to support its residents. Special initiatives, such as the #weGIVECATHOLIC campaign, grants from partner organizations and the second annual Light the Way Gala, played pivotal roles in achieving remarkable outcomes for our community.

We express our endless gratitude to each and every individual, foundation and business on this list. These contributions were received between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023.

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\$10,000+

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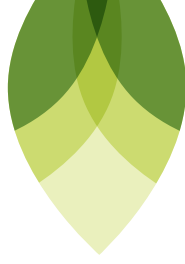
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Fundraising Spotlight

First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association Supports Light of Hearts Villa with \$10,000 Grant



Sister Regina Kusnir, SC, accepting a check donation from FCSLA representative and friend, Barbara Sekerak.

The First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association (FCSLA) convened for its Quadrennial Convention in 2023, a special occasion where grant funds were distributed to partner organizations. Among the recipients, Light of Hearts Villa was blessed to receive a grant award of \$10,000 from FCSLA.

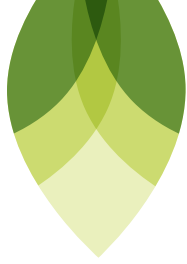
The roots of the Villa's connection with FCSLA trace back to 1928 when Bishop Joseph Schrembs enlisted a group of Slovak priests to assist in bringing Sisters to Cleveland

to serve the Slovak community. In response to this call, the Vincentian Sisters of Charity arrived in Bedford, initiating a longstanding bond. Over the years, the relationship between the Sisters and FCSLA has flourished, marked by mutual support and shared commitment.

In 2023 alone, FCSLA headquarters and its branches demonstrated remarkable generosity by contributing over \$15,000 to bolster the well-being of Light of Hearts Villa residents. This significant financial support echoes the enduring partnership between FCSLA and the Villa, reinforcing the sense of community and shared mission.

Light of Hearts Villa extends heartfelt thanks to our friends at FCSLA. The unwavering support received goes beyond monetary value, embodying the spirit of camaraderie and shared dedication to serving those in need.





Donor Spotlight

Generous #weGIVECATHOLIC Match Inspires Supporters for Biggest Giving Day Yet

For the past two years, the Kaminski family has been instrumental in the success of fundraising efforts during the #weGIVECATHOLIC day of giving event. In 2022, Deacon Robert and Mary Ann Kaminski sparked a wave of generosity, elevating the giving day to unprecedented heights by raising a record \$30,821 through their benevolent match. Although Bob passed away in late 2022, his and Mary Ann's enduring impact were celebrated at the 2023 Light the Way Gala by bestowing upon them the Radiant Heart Award.

Mary Ann's commitment to carrying on their legacy of generosity continued in 2023, pledging to match any funds raised during the #weGIVECATHOLIC giving day on November 28.

After a record-breaking 2022, the bar was set even higher with an ambitious goal of \$50,000. The assumption was that the community would contribute \$25,000 and Mary Ann's match would then reach the target. That easily happened – and then some. The community rallied with unparalleled enthusiasm, as 147 donors collectively contributed an impressive \$31,275. Adding to this triumph, the Catholic Community Foundation awarded another \$3,500 in prizes, securing a 2nd place finish in the nonprofit category out of 54 participants. The grand total of this extraordinary feat reached an incredible \$66,051.

“We were left in awe at the generosity of so many people. We extend our deepest gratitude to Mary Ann for her unwavering commitment and for perpetuating an incredible legacy within the Light of Hearts Villa community. The impact of one loving heart continues to set ablaze the spirits of many, echoing the words of St. Augustine: ‘One loving heart sets another on fire.’”

♦ Amy Huntley, Director of Development and Communications

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Working at the villa has been the best experience in my 30-year nursing career. The moment you walk into the building you can feel the spiritual connection along with the heartfelt, caring and loving atmosphere.

♦ *Current employee*



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Seton Safety Net

A commitment to fostering vibrant and compassionate communities is a core aspect of the mission at Light of Hearts Villa, which is actively fulfilled through various outreach initiatives. A notable embodiment of this dedication is the Seton Safety Net program, a local food pantry designed to support seniors and individuals facing economic challenges.

Since its establishment in 2005, the Seton Safety Net has stood as a pillar of assistance, mirroring the benevolent spirit of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, after whom it is named. This initiative plays a pivotal role in catering to the nutritional needs of seniors living in local communities around Light of Hearts Villa. The pantry offers a diverse range of essential food items, including canned goods, cereals, boxed goods and gift cards, ensuring that individuals in need have access to wholesome and nourishing meals.

Central to its success is the support received from generous donors, who help sustain and expand efforts to combat food insecurity among seniors and others facing economic hardships. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the individuals, businesses and organizations listed below for their steadfast commitment to our mission and their invaluable role in making the Seton Safety Net a beacon of hope for those in need in our community.

THANK YOU TO ALL 2023 DONORS

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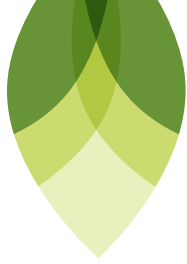
Want to donate to the Seton Safety Net?

Donations can be made by cash or by check to: Light of Hearts Villa, with "Seton Safety Net" on the memo line.

Food donations can also be delivered to Light of Hearts Villa. Accepting: Canned fruits, canned vegetables, cereals, canned soups, juices (no glass), macaroni and cheese, noodles, rice, peanut butter and jelly.

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283 Union Street
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Board and Staff Leadership



Board of Directors

At the helm of the ministry is the devoted Light of Hearts Villa Board of Directors, a team deeply committed to the well-being of residents. Fortunate to have individuals with diverse experiences, educational backgrounds and professional careers, they collectively steer our ministry toward fulfilling our mission. Together, their dedication ensures that Light of Hearts Villa consistently provides exemplary care to those we serve.

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Light of Hearts Villa Leadership

Meet the exceptional management team at Light of Hearts Villa, a group of dedicated individuals whose unwavering commitment drives the success of our organization. With a wealth of experience, diverse backgrounds and a shared passion for our mission, this team works tirelessly to ensure the well-being and happiness of each and every resident. Their collective efforts and relentless dedication underscore their commitment to excellence in senior living, making Light of Hearts Villa a place where compassion, care and community flourish.

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Board of Directors Update

A Decade of Dedication:

Dr. Victor DeMarco's Remarkable Journey on the Light of Hearts Villa Board



As the curtains closed on 2023, it marked the end of an era for Light of Hearts Villa as Dr. Victor DeMarco completed his remarkable decade-long tenure on the board of directors. Dr. Vic, a seasoned medical professional, initially discovered the opportunity through a friend who recognized the need for dedicated individuals on the Villa's board. Intrigued by the prospect of combining his medical expertise, passion for health services and unwavering Catholic faith, Dr. Vic decided to embark on a journey that would become a decade-long commitment to the betterment of Light of Hearts Villa.

From the onset, Dr. DeMarco's dedication and love for the Villa were palpable. His genuine interest in the organization's mission and values became apparent as he delved deeper into the ministry. Over the years, he and his wife, Roberta, wholeheartedly supported the Villa through various initiatives, leaving an indelible mark.

"My 10 years on the board allowed me to use skills developed over a working lifetime in furtherance of the mission of Light of Hearts Villa. In addition, attendance at meetings and various events throughout the years demonstrated to me the loving care afforded to residents by all members of the staff. In my estimation and experience, the Villa is a truly unique institution, and I am proud to have been associated with it," said Dr. DeMarco.

"As we bid farewell to Dr. Vic after a decade of unwavering service, the Light of Hearts Villa family expresses profound gratitude for his immeasurable contributions. Dr. Vic, you have been a guiding light, a source of inspiration, and a driving force behind the success of our organization," said Executive Director Breanne Cavileer. "Your 10 years of love and support have left an enduring legacy, and we are profoundly thankful for the indelible mark you've made on Light of Hearts Villa. May your future endeavors be as fulfilling and impactful as your time with us."

Welcome New Board Members

Welcome to the three newest members of the Light of Hearts Villa Board of Directors, who all joined in 2023: Dr. Norman Bolden, Margie Orth and Perdell Richardson.

"We are genuinely grateful and thrilled to have these distinguished individuals on board, as their unique talents, expertise and perspectives are poised to greatly enhance the impactful work of Light of Hearts Villa, propelling us forward in our mission," said Executive Director Breanne Cavileer.



Margie Orth

Margie is a seasoned professional with a rich tapestry of experiences woven throughout a 27-year career at U.S. Protective Services in Cleveland. Starting fresh after graduating from the University of Toledo, she steadily climbed the professional ladder, ultimately serving as the general manager for the latter half of her tenure. When she crossed paths with the leaders of Home Instead,

Margie felt called for something in her life more mission-driven. Over the past five years, Margie has served as the general manager of Home Instead, collaborating with a team of 350 caregivers. She focuses on their holistic development, both personally and professionally.

Margie said, “I bring the wisdom bestowed upon me by the Lord and a profound sense of humanity. Having raised my family in Bedford and maintained a connection to St. Mary’s School, I find a deep resonance with Light of Hearts’ core values – caregivers and staff, faith, community, and the commitment to providing seniors with dignity in the aging process. I am eager to contribute, learn and grow within a board that aligns with my values and offers a platform for continuous personal and professional development.”



Dr. Norman Bolden, MD

As a retired vice-chairman from the Department of Anesthesiology at MetroHealth Medical Center, Dr. Bolden brings a wealth of expertise in health care leadership to the board.

His longstanding commitment to MetroHealth stems from a belief in providing patient care regardless of financial ability.

Dr. Bolden played a pivotal role as the chair of the Quality Care Committee, ensuring that excellence is at the forefront of resident care initiatives. With connections in both the media and medical fields, he brings valuable networking resources.

“Throughout my career as a physician, I intentionally worked at a safety net hospital that provided excellent care to patients irrespective of their health insurance status and/or ability to pay. I feel strongly that all citizens deserve quality health care. Not all assisted living facilities accept Medicaid. I am impressed that not only does Light of Hearts Villa accept Medicaid residents, but as residents’ ability to pay changes, they don’t force residents to leave. Light of Hearts Villa maintains close contacts with the community within

which it resides and is clearly viewed as an important resource by members of the community. I am perfectly aligned with the mission of Light of Hearts Villa,” said Dr. Bolden.

Beyond his professional endeavors, Dr. Bolden harbors a personal aspiration to actively engage in community-at-large activities with Light of Hearts Villa. With a keen interest in marketing, Dr. Bolden is poised to contribute strategic insights to enhance outreach efforts. His connection to the medical field is further deepened by his wife, a dedicated nurse actively engaged in the care of the elderly.



Perdell Richardson

Perdell brings a wealth of experience from his career as a human resources specialist for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in Independence, Ohio. Perdell’s extensive fundraising

experience and keen interest in marketing and finance make him a valuable asset to the board.

A resident of Bedford, Perdell is deeply rooted in the community, actively engaged in the local Baptist church, and has contributed his leadership to various boards, primarily focusing on youth initiatives. His diverse professional background also includes ownership and management of Wings and Things, a restaurant and catering business, as well as a supervisory role in the U.S. Postal Services in Cleveland.

“My entire life I felt that my calling has been to help people. I am often described as compassionate, patient and a natural leader. Throughout my life, I have always loved volunteering at local food banks, my church and various foster cares. I also have 11 beautiful children that have taught me many things in life. I also feel that my personal values and beliefs align with the mission and ministry of Light of Hearts Villa,” said Perdell.





LIGHTING THE WAY FOR SENIOR CARE

Light of Hearts Villa provides premier senior residential living services to seniors 60+ years of age of all faiths on a picturesque campus in historic Bedford, Ohio. We offer compassionate, faith-based, mission-driven and person-centered care that is individualized to meet the special needs of our residents and their loved ones. More than 3,000 seniors have called Light of Hearts Villa home in the last 30 years.

We specialize in assisted living, short-term respite stays and memory care. Suites are spacious with full kitchenettes, 24-hour nursing assistance, chef-prepared meals and personalized support services.

Light of Hearts Villa is a 501(c)3 Licensed Residential Care Facility that is a ministry of the Sisters of Charity Health System. The health system solely owns three health care ministries, multiple outreach organizations and three grant-making foundations that address causes and consequences of poverty.



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