KEEPING OUR MISSION IN MOTION

Fundraising Year 2023 **ANNUAL REPORT**

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"My first time voting. Ever!

It feels bittersweet, and I cried when I got home. It's quite emotional to know that I have a voice, and it's even more so to realize that my voice counts."

Nada Boris

Goodwin Living Team Member & New U.S. Citizen

Goodwin Living Foundation

Together, We Change Lives.







FUNDRAISING YEAR 2023 BY THE NUMBERS

The Goodwin Living Foundation depends on generous support from donors who help make all our programs possible. Every gift counts!

Annual Fund

Area of Greatest Need Resident Support Fund	\$1,251,934 \$748,012
Staff Support Fund	\$311,760
Total	\$2,311,706
Realized Bequests Annuities Permanently Restricted Funds Temporarily Restricted Funds	\$1,493,250 \$240,000 \$1,476,894 \$1,043,702
Total Contributions in 2023	\$6,565,552



Please note that in producing this Annual Report, we have made every effort to list our donors as they would like to be listed and in every category associated with their gift made during the 2023 fundraising year (October 1, 2022 – December 31, 2023). If you find an error in our reporting, please contact Valerie Burke at VBurke@GoodwinLiving.org or 703.824.1345. We sincerely thank you for your ongoing support!

Throughout this report, you will see an asterisk (*) next to the names of those who were deceased as of 12/31/2023.

Throughout this report, we will reference our three communities by the following abbreviations: Goodwin House Alexandria (GHA), Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads (GHBC), The View Alexandria (TVA).

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR YEAR, MADE POSSIBLE BY YOU!

736 donors

made gifts of \$500 or less, and those gifts totaled more than **\$109,320!**

255 team members

made gifts to the Foundation in gratitude for their colleagues, residents, patients, members and the place they call their second home!

882 tribute gifts

were received either in honor or in memory of someone who was special to the donor, with such gifts totaling over **\$283,007!**

100 team members

benefited from donations to our Staff Support Fund for the pursuit of further education.

More than \$202,089

in emergency grant support was provided to **100 team members** who were facing financial hardships.

Hospice end-of-life doulas and massage therapy

improved quality of life for **218** hospice patients and helped inspire an increase of giving from 99 Hospice Fund donors last year to **189** this year.

73 children and grandchildren of team members

received **\$1,000 grants** each to support their higher education, which was an increase from 47 grants the year before.

Now on the path to citizenship

this year alone, **56 people** received financial support for their citizenship application. Of that number, **40** were team members, and **16** were the immediate family members of our team members.

Since welcoming our first resident in 1967

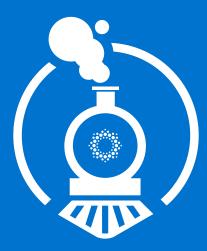
Goodwin Living has never asked someone to leave because they exhausted their financial resources through no fault of their own. We can keep this commitment to residents and their families, thanks to our Resident Support Fund, which is fully funded by donors to the Foundation. In the past year, over **\$716,719** was provided to meet this commitment for **17 residents.**

While these statistics stand out and catch attention,

we most especially want you to know that we put every gift received towards making a difference in the lives of those around us! Thank you, donors.

Together, We Change Lives!

Keeping Our



Mission in Motion





Joan Renner Chair Goodwin Living Foundation Board of Directors

"As Chair of the Goodwin Living Foundation Board, I am excited to share our 2023 Annual Report with you. As you turn each page, we hope that you will get a sense of our growing community of generosity and its amazing impact in service to residents, members, patients, clients, team members and their families.

The Foundation's future is strong thanks to donors and volunteers like you. I am so honored to work alongside the Foundation as it does all it can to address the biggest challenges around older adults! Please know that we are truly grateful for your steadfast support and look forward to working together to support, honor and uplift more lives. Thank you."

OUR MISSION

Through the power of philanthropy, we seek and celebrate generosity to carry out the mission of Goodwin Living, to provide financial security to residents, to enable staff to thrive in their careers, and to support innovation, thus enhancing the lives of older adults and those who care for them.

Goodwin Living Trustees & Goodwin Living Foundation Directors

The community leaders and citizens who serve on the Goodwin Living and Goodwin Living Foundation boards set the tone for the Foundation as ambassadors of our mission. They demonstrate a passion for our community and for supporting, honoring and uplifting the lives of older adults and those who care for them. Their actions and their contributions reveal their commitment.



Goodwin Living Foundation Board Directors Donnan Wintermute and Tony Tambasco took part in board volunteer training.

2023 Goodwin Living Board of Trustees Officers

Dr. Cyrillene "C.C." Clark, *Chair* Ben Marcantonio, *Vice-Chair* Tucker Eskew, *Secretary* Vipin Sahijwani, *Treasurer*

Trustees

Garrett W. Erdle Lisa Giesler Mary Lewis Hix Katie Horton Nina Janopaul Dr. Tammy L. Mann Dr. Mark Mellott Dr. Anthony J. Tambasco John Weaver

2023 Goodwin Living Foundation Board of Directors Officers

Joan M. Renner, *Chair* Robert C. Eiffert, *Vice-Chair* Kimberly A. Fiske, Esq., *Secretary* John H. Komoroske, *Treasurer*

Directors

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SPECIAL HONORING OF **GANT REDMON**, Long Tenured Chair of the Foundation Board

On March 1, 2023, we recognized Gant Redmon for his 17 years of visionary leadership as Chair of the Goodwin Living Foundation Board. He stepped down as Chair in 2022, though we were honored that he stayed on as a director. Mr. Redmon's faithful service included accomplishments such as recruiting the second Executive Director of the Foundation and helping to lead the successful endowment campaign called "Fulfilling the Promise," which enhanced the Resident Support Fund. Mr. Redmon was always in service to the Foundation, whether that meant penning a letter, serving as an auctioneer or sitting down with someone to talk about the importance of investing in the future of Goodwin Living.



Above: Gant Redmon III (right) surprised his father during a celebration honoring him for 17 years of service and leadership to the Foundation. **Below:** Gant Redmon was presented with this plaque in honor of his service.



During the celebration, Mrs. Joan Renner, Mr. Redmon's successor as Foundation Board Chair, announced a special guest, Gant Redmon III, who flew in from out of town to be present for his father's honoring. Mrs. Renner read and presented a board proclamation to Mr. Redmon and Mr. Rob Liebreich, President and CEO of Goodwin Living, shared his gratitude on behalf of the entire organization for Mr. Redmon's tenure and service. In his remarks, Mr. Liebreich referenced Mr. Redmon's trademark sign-off on the hundreds of correspondence he sent over the years, **"Together We Serve."**

The Board also presented Mr. Redmon with a plaque to accompany a tree planted in honor of his service.

Resident Volunteer Committees

The Goodwin Living Foundation Resident Volunteer Committees consist of a select group of residents who have demonstrated a strong commitment to the Foundation. The Resident Volunteer Committees serve as a group for the Foundation to provide feedback on fundraising matters and strategy, to serve as passionate advocates who connect, engage and inform other residents in the Goodwin Living community about the goals of the Foundation and to promote the impact of generosity.



Gwendolyn Scheffel GHA Resident

"When I first moved here in 2018, I had only a basic understanding of the many benefits of being a Goodwin Living resident. Now, my knowledge of these benefits is deeper and continues to develop. I am proud to call Goodwin House Alexandria my home, and I feel that the people who live and work here are my extended family. Throughout the pandemic, the care provided by our health care team has been exceptional. The activities have been engaging and carefully thought out. I donate regularly to the Foundation because I am truly grateful for the quality of life here and for the faith-based principles that quide the decisions that are made to maintain and continually improve the entire organization."

Goodwin House Alexandria Resident Liaison Committee

Dan Botticello* Peggy Burke Joan Lamb Grace Lynch George Pera* Mark Raabe Judith Roach Gwen Scheffel Sally Via

Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads Resident Liaison Committee

Hal Bean Joanie Dellefield Jennifer Frum Beverly Hennessey Carole Hunt Mike Molino Mary Lee Payton Ben Wilmot

Resident Advisory Committee for Staff Support

Betsy Bailey John Berry Claudia Blake Joanne Bowers Peggy Burke Todd Endo Jim Fulton* Carolyn Gilligan Mädi Green Judith Miller Betty Reinecke Anne Soens Margaret Sullivan Gretchen Thompson Joan Vogel

Household Items, Fine Arts & Crafts Support the Foundation

After spending years accumulating possessions, many residents often desire to let go of items they no longer need or want. The **Market Place** at GHA and the **WhatNot Shop** at GHBC are two places where residents donate many of these unwanted treasures, knowing that they will go to help create new gifts for the Goodwin Living Foundation and bring joy to their new owners. Additionally, the GHA **Craft Shop** offers hand-made items, and residents at both houses sell fine art. The **Holiday Bazaar** at GHBC is an event that many look forward to each year. All proceeds from sales, \$79,985 in fundraising year 2023, go to the Foundation's Resident Support Fund. This is the highest amount ever raised by this group of volunteers.



A display cabinet showcases GHA Craft Shop items that are hand-made by residents.



GHBC Holiday Bazaar volunteers handled purchases and gave smiles away for free!

Thank you to the residents and team members who were valuable participants and leaders with these auxiliary programs, including the Market Place and Craft Shop at GHA, the WhatNot Shop and Holiday Bazaar at GHBC, art sales commissions, holiday card sales and craft fair sales. The Foundation is grateful for all who have donated items, and we especially thank the customers, the many volunteer workers and the residents who dedicate their time and talents to these efforts.

GHA Market Place

Dick Bennett Gail Brown Judy Bryan Sandy Connolly Judy Davis Dottie Evans Dottie Evans Betsy LaRoe Robin McFarland Kathy Mukai Sande O'Keefe Jackie Phillips Hannelore Sofocleous Mike Sofocleous Tom Sproull Dick Wilson



Above: GHA Market Place volunteers paused to pose for a group photo during one of their special sales events! **Below:** GHBC WhatNot Shop volunteers are always on hand to take sales and answer questions from happy shoppers.



Barbara Bancroft Frances Barnett Flo Broussard Linda Carder Robin Gates Jane Jordan Julie Lineberry Grietje Meiborg S. Ann Ross Merrily Wolf Molly Wood

GHBC Holiday Bazaar

Betsy Bailey Joanie Dellefield Elsa Edwards Joan Finkelston Carole Laird Barb Molino Betty Reinecke Additionally, there are many extraordinary volunteers who also help make this event possible!



GHBC WhatNot Shop

Judi Garth Shirley Harjes Barbara Haught Beverly Hennessey Kay Miller Eleanore Perkins Stefanie Reponen Donna Sosin

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Quality of Life Committee

The purpose of the Quality of Life (QOL) grant program is to explore innovative programs that encourage social interaction among Goodwin Living residents through resident-initiated programs not yet funded or included in any Goodwin Living budget. The QOL grant program provides seed money to initiate, build and support resident-led activities outside of departmental budgets.

Claudia Blake		
Co-Chair, GHBC		
Dennis Detlef		
Co-Chair, GHA		

Alyce Bassoff Ruth Corlett Paul Gordon Marilyn Gould Jerry Kline Betty Reinecke

Staff Ambassador Committee

The Staff Ambassador Committee consists of team members who are enthusiastic supporters of the Goodwin Living Foundation and its mission. Committee members help educate colleagues about the goals of the Foundation, share the stories of the Foundation's impact in the community and encourage financial support.

- Mona Abdelhamid Charity Ampong Josh Bagley Selam Belete Kimerlyn Butler Christy Clark-Bolden Sue Dolton
- Cathy Farmer Magana Jean Baptiste Katiana Jolimeau Amadu Kamara Tinia McNeely Mark Mirsoltani Alison Neov
- Brian Patterson Lady Peralta Pinto Theresa Thomas Zainab Thomas Adrienne Wyman



Raymond Anderson GHBC Team Member

"I was retired and bored, and my wife suggested that I find something worthwhile to do, so I sought to become a driver at GHBC. I consider it to be one of the best decisions I've ever made. Being here has enriched my life greatly. When my wife passed, the love and support I received from so many here helped me get through some difficult days. It is truly a blessing to be part of such a loving and caring organization as GHBC. Now, I come to serve and hope to make blessings in other people's lives. I also give back by donating to the Foundation in order to support the wonderful residents and my fellow team members in so many meaningful ways."

Resident Tutors

Residents from Goodwin House Alexandria, Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads and The View Alexandria provide tutoring to team members who wish to receive it. Whether it's to improve their English or to prepare for the U.S. Citizenship test, team members can be paired with residents to help them in this process. We are grateful to those residents who dedicate their time and support to our team members — our Goodwin Living family is stronger together!



GHBC Resident Jeanne Springmann tutored GHBC Team Member Amina Douhaibi.

Anne Baxter Kay Bean **Ric Berard** Khacki Berry **Ric Blacksten** Dale Brown Miriam Browning Rhonda Buckner Mary Bullock Phil Cohen Sandy Connolly Sue Cook Kate Dell Kathleen Dunn Sue Evans Pat Gottemoeller Judy Greenberg Judy Hansen Barbara Hathaway

Anne Heanue **James Hoben** Ida Holtsinger Ken Hopper Janet Horwitz **Janice** Jensen Alison Kerester Susan Kernan Janet Kline Nancy Kula Nancy Leisch Robert Loser Joy Lyles Grace Lynch Kathi Menda Michael Milano Carl Miller **Jill Miller** Fred Morhart

Jane Picot Mark Raabe Margaret Riccardelli **Jeff Robbins Rosie Robbins** Sue Robbins Robby Robinson Absara Rogosch John Rogosch Art Sauer Reva Savkar Jeanne Springmann Mary Strauss Sandy Tinkham Dan Van Belleghem Doug Wade Betty Wallace



Morena Flores Portillo TVA Team Member "My goal was to become a citizen, but I was nervous about studying and passing the naturalization test. I thought there would be a lot of hard questions, but it turned out to be not so hard. My tutor was very helpful, and we worked together on the books every Monday. I also watched videos online that showed me how to apply, how to study for the questions and what it was like to take the test.

I thank the Foundation for this grant and to be able to become a U.S. citizen. My family is happy, and I feel safe."

Citizenship Celebration Committee

Betsy Bailey Anne Baxter John Berry Claudia Blake Peggy Burke Donna Cornman

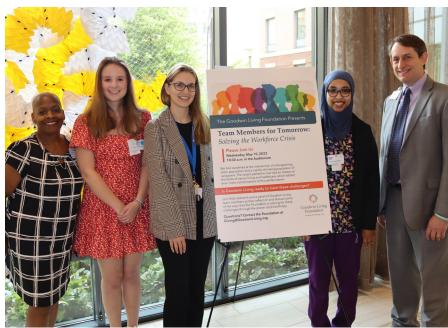
Carolyn Gilligan Pat Gottemoeller Mädi Green Judy Hansen Carl Miller Jill Miller Judith Roach Rita Siebenaler Margaret Sullivan Gretchen Thompson Joan Vogel

Hospice Volunteers

Goodwin Hospice volunteers are wonderful, dedicated individuals who selflessly give their time and talents to care for hospice patients and their loved ones in many different ways. We are grateful and thankful for the support they provide to people in a critical time of life.

Jordana Anderson-Lodge	Katie Goodwin	Sarah Morrison
Amy Angel	Victoria Harbison	Kathleen Nawaz
Khurum Azam	Sheri Hardeman	Peggy O'Brien
Billie Baladouni	B.J. Harrick	Mary Lee Payton
Sue Becker	Barbara Hatheway	Jamie Poulton
Joanne Bowers	Lea Iskandar	Nate Rubin
Alice Boyars	Kathy Kane	Monica Russ
Ceci Cole McInturff	Jane Karpick	Caleb Schmurr
Carol Ann Detlef	Leslie Kostrich	Faith San Felice
Brendan Dodson	Emily Lamontagne	Betsy Stephens
Maryanne Fontaine	Adele Logan-Galen	Melissa Stricker
Alexa Gale	Jennifer Lopez	Kerby Valladares
Angie Geary	Michael Milano	Donna Walker-Muhammed
Helen Geiser	Amy Moroney	











WHAT DOES THE ANNUAL FUND SUPPORT?

Residents - Resident Support Fund

Donors allocate their gifts to this fund when they are passionate about helping those who run out of financial resources through no fault of their own. Many residents and family members find peace of mind knowing that when they move to Goodwin House Alexandria, Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads or The View Alexandria, they will never have to move again, even if they outlive their financial resources. We are so grateful to have this gift of home provided by the many donors over the years who have supported the Foundation for this purpose.



In fundraising year 2023, a total of 17 residents received Resident Support with grants totaling over **\$716,719.**

Team Members - Staff Support Fund

Staff Support - Citizenship Application Fees

Goodwin Living team members come from more than 65 different countries, and many do not yet hold U.S. citizenship. The current cost to apply is \$725 for an adult and \$1,170 for a child, which can be a significant deterrent. Started in 2018 from a resident's idea, our Citizenship Application Fee program has already supported more than 176 team members by providing them with a grant that covers the full cost to apply.

- In fundraising year 2023, \$43,310 was provided for our unique Citizenship Application Fee Program. 40 Goodwin Living team members received citizenship application fee grants, and with the increased funding we were also able to offer citizenship grants to 16 spouses and children of staff. We are so grateful for the many resident volunteers who help to tutor our team members. With gifts to this fund, we also provide training materials for our resident tutors and study guides for our team members.
- In fundraising year 2023, we expanded our citizenship program to include the cost of applying for green card and work permit renewal for team members.



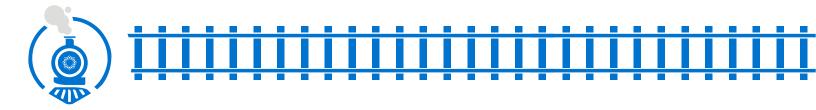
Monica Hutchins-Thomas

GHA Team Member

"As a social worker, I work confidentially with our residents and their family members if they begin to sense they are running out of resources and are afraid they will no longer be able to pay their monthly fees. I always feel so grateful to be able to share that there are funds available to help residents. Financial insecurity can be frightening and a major source of anxiety for not only our residents, but their loved ones as well. The domino effect that can happen when families have parents with financial struggles is significant, and I am so happy there are donors who help to make the Resident Support Fund possible! I have the pleasure of allaying everyone's fears by sharing that the monthly fees can be covered by gifts made to the Foundation. During our New Employee Orientation, I always tell the staff joining Goodwin Living about our Resident Support program. It is with a sense of pride that I tell new team members that Goodwin Living supports residents in a variety of ways throughout their life, even financially if it is needed."







Staff Support - Emergency Assistance

Inherent in the Goodwin Living mission is supporting team members in their daily lives. The reality is that many of our team members faced financial difficulties this past year. Yet they continued to bring the same joy and commitment to caring for residents, members, patients, clients and one another every single day.

In fundraising year 2023, the Foundation provided confidential emergency assistance grants to team members in need. This program provided funds for those who faced significant challenges such as overdue medical bills, car repairs for essential transportation and eviction because of overdue rent. In many cases, one overdue bill can cause a chain of negative events for someone living paycheck to paycheck in our high cost of living area. Our ability to rally around those in need as quickly as we can is what makes our community special.

• 100 team members received emergency assistance grants totaling just over \$202,089.

Child of Team Member

Tuition Grant Recipient

"Thank you to Goodwin Living and the opportunity this foundation has provided for me and my future. This motivates me to keep going and become a necessary part of society. Success is not having everything but the influence you have on others. Truly, thank you!"

Staff Support - Tuition Assistance

This past year, we continued offering significant tuition assistance for those team members who seek to advance their studies and vocational training. After six months of employment, team members could receive up to \$2,625 in tuition support, and after two years, a person could receive as much as \$5,250.

- In fundraising year 2023, 100 Goodwin Living team members received tuition assistance totaling \$262,665, with additional funds for student loan repayments through a competitive application process.
- We provided 73 grants of \$1,000 each to children and grandchildren of team members who are pursuing higher education, through an application process.

Anonymous Member of the Emergency Grants Committee

"Serving on the Emergency Grants Committee has been an honor. Every week, this small and anonymous group of team members carefully and thoughtfully reviews applications from fellow team members who are experiencing a significant financial hardship or catastrophic event. Over the last several months alone, the committee has approved grants to support team members who have been in need of emergency housing; who have overdue utility or medical bills; who have faced eviction; and who have needed emergency car repairs in order to be able to safely get to and from work. Additionally, the committee assists these team members by providing resources to receive financial counseling and budget-setting guidance for future planning. I'm so proud to work for an organization that has an initiative like this that seeks to take care of its staff who are in need. These grants make a big difference in the lives of those around us, and I'm grateful that I can be a part of this program."

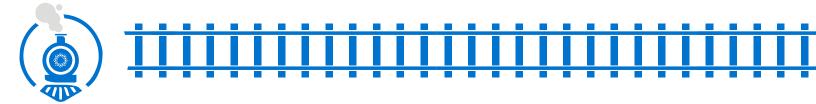
Area of Greatest Need -Unrestricted

These unrestricted funds allow the greatest amount of flexibility to the Foundation so that we can apply these funds where they are needed the most. This past year, we utilized funds from this area to support residents and team members in some of the ways listed above, as well as to enhance various programs such as providing horticultural therapy in partnership with Eldergrow; partnering with other organizations to provide animal and equine therapy; offering music programs such as Encore Music, Melody Makers, and the Sentimental Journey Singers; and funding unique equipment for those who need assistance, such as the "WhisperGLIDE" wheelchair swings. New this year was also a pilot program with Encore Learning for stimulating classes and clubs.



Above: GHBC resident John Bryans enjoyed holding a rabbit during one of the animal therapy visits. *Below:* GHA Residents Jackie and Alan Gropman are the first to try WhisperGLIDE, a wheelchair accessible swing.





WHAT DO RESTRICTED FUNDS SUPPORT?

We also received other funds that were restricted for use and allowed us to support various areas of our mission.

Hospice Fund donations helped us provide even stronger hospice care for our residents and for the many patients we served beyond our campuses and across Northern Virginia. Over \$122,840 was raised in fundraising year 2023 to provide our hospice patients with the compassionate care and comfort they deserved at such a vulnerable time in their lives. We were able to offer truly individualized care and relief to our patients and their families with special services such as massage therapy and end-of-life doula care.

With gifts directed specifically to our Hospice Fund, we can enhance the quality of care we provide to hospice patients and their families.

StrongerMemory is a breakthrough program that helps improve brain health. Intended for everyone, whether you have a diagnosis of mild cognitive impairment or you simply strive to thrive as you age, StrongerMemory is designed to stimulate the brain's prefrontal cortex, which is the part of the brain that helps retrieve memories. Participants enjoy these benefits by spending just 30 minutes a day engaged in simple reading, writing and math activities. Thanks to a significant grant, we make the StrongerMemory materials widely available and accessible well beyond our campuses. As of December 2023, the program was being used in 21 states throughout the country, with an estimated 20,000 individual participants and 178 organizations.



Jeanette Wurster

GHBC Resident

"After more than 10 years living under the care of Goodwin House [Bailey's Crossroads], I decided it was time to make a significant donation. It was also time to retire from driving, so I contributed my car to the Goodwin Living Foundation – the car that had transported me since my arrival in 2010. The transfer was simple, and I was delighted to learn that its sale brought almost double the price I would have obtained by managing it myself, also resulting in a sizable tax deduction." **The Anderson Fund** allowed us to reach new heights this year. We offered five high school seniors a \$500 college scholarship, we provided 10 team members student loan repayment grants of \$1,000 each, and we offered stipends for 11 college students to participate in our summer internship program. All these efforts helped us promote our wonderful organization, and with the hope of inspiring many to consider service in the senior living and healthcare field, it allowed us to introduce Goodwin Living to many individuals who are thinking about their careers!

The Goodwin Living People Engagement Manager asked interns to describe their internship experience in three words. Here are some responses that they texted back:

> Hi all - just checking in. How's everyone's experience going? How would you describe your time with us in just 3 words?

Comforting, sentimental, challenging (in a good way!) There's something new every day I'm at my internship

Inspiring, educational, fun

Insightful, challenging, supportive

Eventful, joyous, welcoming

Theresa Mandela, BSN, RN, QCP, CDP

Goodwin Living Team Member

"I received great feedback from an Activities Director in a Virginia Nursing Home on today's StrongerMemory Facilitator CMP grant peer support call. They shared:

We've been doing the handwriting exercises in the StrongerMemory program for a couple of weeks now. Our resident, Mrs. A, had such difficulty writing that I've been putting my hand under hers while she held the pen so she could "feel" how it was to write again. Today I saw she had a piece of paper with writing on it already. I was able to read the writing, and suddenly I turned and asked Mrs. A, "Did you write this by yourself?" She smiled and answered me proudly, "Yes, I did!"



Bart and Carolyn Gohmann

GHA residents

"Supporting and serving others at a time of greatest need, Goodwin Hospice does this through the generosity of donors to the Goodwin Living Foundation - Hospice Fund.

Carolyn and I are driven by our personal journeys and experiences with family, friends and neighbors. As caregivers for our own parents at the end of life, we worked hand in hand with a wonderful team of hospice professionals, who were always there in time of need, with kindness and generosity. The team's technical and timely expertise in administering pain relief, with a gentle touch and even love for the family and patient, assisted in soothing and alleviating intense suffering for all concerned.

There was always an abiding sense of caring, plus a superior sense of anticipation by the Hospice Team for what may come next in their mission of support and guidance that was consistently, expertly and gently delivered. The tranquility provided by the hospice professionals kept chaos at bay and generated a surrounding sense of well-being. This provided for a peaceful and comfortable passing for those we truly love and cherish.

We strongly support the Goodwin Living Foundation and in particular, the Hospice Fund, that provides additional services, above and beyond the insurance benefit, like massage therapy, end-of-life doulas and music therapy that deliver peace and tranquility, not only for our loved ones but also for ourselves. God bless the hospice professionals and the Goodwin Living Foundation and Hospice Fund."



PLANNED GIVING

Many people choose to make a planned gift through their will or trust (a bequest) or by making the Foundation a beneficiary of their life insurance, IRA account or donor-advised fund. Donors typically make these kinds of special gifts when an organization has had a profound impact on their lives or on someone they love, and the organization has a mission that aligns with their values and passions.

Through planned giving, a person can make a significant donation without reducing assets needed during that person's lifetime. Planned gifts also enable a person to create a powerful philanthropic legacy by making a direct impact on the causes that are important to them.

If you have made provisions in your will or estate plans, please let us know! We'd love to be able to thank you and understand what might be most meaningful to you in creating a legacy at Goodwin Living. Those who have included the Foundation in their estate plans are members of our Bishop Chilton Society.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

The Goodwin Living mission and the strategic plan guide the direction of all the Foundation's fundraising programs. This plan, approved by the Goodwin Living Board of Trustees, is the roadmap to fulfilling our organization's vision. In the past several years, the Foundation has been grateful for some significant bequests that have allowed us to begin work on several of the strategic initiatives outlined in the plan. They have helped the Foundation establish an Internship Fund, a Brain Health Fund and a Technology Fund, as well as a Workforce Development Fund that is helping us find solutions for our ongoing workforce challenges.

Additionally, these bequests enabled us to fund six important team member positions: three in the Brain Health department, two music therapists and our People Engagement Manager, who manages our internship program and works closely with team members to ensure they know of and receive the support and resources available to them.

A PERSONAL STORY | OLIVIA BRICKEY



During her time at GHA, Olivia Brickey enjoyed walking her dog, Baby, in the GHA community garden.

Olivia Ann Collins Brickey grew up in Texas during the Dust Bowl and the Great Depression of the 1930s. She learned about persevering during hard times and saving money for the future from her mother.

Olivia made a life with her husband in the Capitol Hill neighborhood of Washington, D.C. for over 50 years. She enjoyed living within walking distance of the Library of Congress where she worked for over 35 years. Olivia was also active at Christ Episcopal Church on Capitol Hill. While volunteering with her church, she learned about Goodwin House Alexandria when taking communion to residents there one day. She didn't know at the time that Goodwin Living would later become an important part of her life.

After Olivia's husband died in 2006, her mother moved in with her, and they lived together until her mother died in 2010 at the age of 103. Five years later, Olivia joined Goodwin Living At Home with the notion that since she had no family, Goodwin Living At Home could be there for her when she needed it. A few years later, Olivia decided to move into Goodwin House Alexandria. She and her miniature poodle, Baby, were welcomed with open arms. Olivia commented regularly about the community that had become her family in such a short time. She shared about a time when she was sick, a group of residents took turns taking Baby on walks so that she could focus on healing.

During the pandemic, Olivia wanted to support all the team members who were going through difficult times. She said she remembered what it was like to not have much and to be scared, and she wanted to help where she could.

Over time, Olivia made many contributions to the Foundation and ultimately gifted her beloved house in Washington, D.C. to the Foundation in addition to leaving a portion of her estate. She said she wanted to support the Foundation because she knew she could make an impact on a place that had been so meaningful to her, and to influence the lives of people who worked to serve older adults. She gave in gratitude for the Goodwin Living team members and her fellow residents.



Samantha Tedrow

GHBC Team Member

"I love being able to witness the impact of music therapy every day! This past year, I've had the pleasure of working with a resident, Howard Smith, who began singing at an early age and was a natural performer and musician. Performing was something he adored and was a big part of his life. He and his wife moved to Goodwin Living in 2010, and he jumped into every performance and singing group he could find – the Chorale, Spring Fling productions, etc.! However, since transitioning to Assisted Living with his wife, he had not been engaging in many music programs. This transition from Independent Living to Assisted Living can be difficult for residents, as many feel they lose part of their independence and engagement to the larger community.

When I met Mr. Smith, I began to learn how integral music was to his life. After we spent a few weeks singing and getting to know one another, he came up with the idea of giving a concert for the residents in the Assisted Living area. One week, I walked in the room, and he said, "I think I'm ready to perform again!" Over the course of a few months, we met weekly to select music, rehearse songs and work on the performance. His wife also sang along with us and loved seeing her husband perform again. During our sessions, he seemed to become more engaged and energized, and you could see the joy that singing brought to him. Our work together allowed him to feel more independent, and he was able to engage again with the Assisted Living community.

After months of practice, we held our duet concert to the delight of many fans. The concert featured a variety of music and discussion and was a highlight for all those who attended, including me! I thank all the donors who make music therapy possible at Goodwin Living. It is such a joy to see the power of music in the lives of the residents we see every day."



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