

As We Recover



Dear Friend,

"I would rather walk with a friend in the dark than alone in the light." Helen Keller shared this profound sentiment nearly 100 years ago. The meaning rings especially true to those of us at United Methodist Homes, having experienced more than a year and a half of the pandemic. The friends of United Methodist Homes and the UMH Foundation have certainly walked with us through the dark and for that we are forever grateful.

The generosity of generations of donors gave us a foundation of support in which to make a swift response to unexpected needs. No one could foresee what the world would face in 2020, yet the gifts and investments of previous years gave us the ability to meet the immediate crisis without hesitation.

The lifestyle of our residents and staff had to swiftly adapt in 2020 in order to stay safe during the challenges posed by COVID-19. Living with restrictions placed an enormous strain on our residents. However, the ongoing support and generous contributions from our donors enabled us to combat these challenges and improve resident engagement.

This past year, valued donations helped ensure residents had alternative means to feel connected to family and friends. Every dollar received helped us fund technology and activity supplies during COVID restrictions. ***This critical support alleviated feelings of isolation among our residents.***



We remain in unprecedented times and as we move forward together to heal and recover, now more than ever, your gift to our 2021 Annual Campaign is vital to carrying out our mission. As we recover, every dollar raised has a positive impact and benefit to our seniors in a variety of ways - from activities initiatives or our benevolent care program, to unrestricted use of funds allocating donations to where they are needed most, ***your dollars ensure continuity of care, program and facility enhancements, and the overall vitality of our resident's lives.***



We continue to walk with our friends out of the dark and into the light. ***Giving now not only impacts today, but tomorrow and whatever challenges the future may bring.*** We invite you to go on this journey with us. Support our nearly 1,000 senior residents on the road to recovery by returning the enclosed Appeal envelope or giving online at www.unitedmethodisthomes.org/giving.



Please feel free to contact our Development Director, Heather Murphy, at (570) 536-4313 or hmurphy@umhwc.org with any questions you may have. On behalf of our residents, Board and leadership, and all who benefit from our services, we thank you in advance for your contribution to our Annual Appeal.

Edwin Betz
Chairman
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President & CEO
United Methodist Homes



Thank You!

PS. You have the opportunity to make a tremendous impact with your donation right now. Consider a recurring monthly gift to support our seniors all year. Contact the Foundation office for more information.

Donate Today!

Photo Information

- 1 - Paul L., Tunkhannock Campus, donated a new flag
- 2 - Michael S., Elizabeth Church Campus, celebrating National Beatles Day
- 3 - Ann I., Wesley Village Campus, attending a silk scarf painting class
- 4 - Carmelia (Fran) D., Hilltop Campus, participating in a virtual music therapy class
- 5 - Gloria N., Hilltop Campus, participating in a Mother's Day photo-booth
- 6 - Karl-Heinz K., Tunkhannock Campus, bonding with a therapy dog
- 7 - Joan H., Elizabeth Church Campus, enjoying a doughnut on National Jelly Doughnut Day
- 8 - Emma J., Wesley Village Campus, playing the ukulele at the National Assisted Living Week Luau Party
- 9 - Vesta S., Hilltop Campus, participating in the Staycation photo-booth