Dear Friend,

2019 will mark Bethany Hill Place’s 25th year of providing safety and opportunity for hundreds of individuals—adults and children alike. This report celebrates and commemorates our beginnings in the early 90’s and the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston’s courageous step into a new realm, providing housing and education to those most in need. 

Capturing some important moments in time, we hope to offer you proof of our success and also exemplify the durability of the CSJ charism that guides our programming and community strength—both hallmarks of Bethany Hill Place. 

Even in Bethany Hill Place’s earliest days, the Sisters knew it would be important to widen the circle and involve others in this unique mission. They enlisted many lay leaders to partner with them and carry their dream forward. Over a quarter century span, nearly 100 dedicated Board members have answered the CSJ request and risen to the occasion, offering their passion and commitment, innumerable volunteer hours, professional expertise and financial support to ‘care for the dear neighbor without distinction.” We are very grateful to these dedicated individuals!

A special group of past Board Chairs has maintained an extraordinary connection with Bethany Hill Place. Nicknamed the ‘Justice League,’ this group of former and current chairs continues to gather periodically to share the impact Bethany Hill Place had on them and to watch over Bethany Hill Place, offering guidance, connections, and advice for the organization’s long term sustainability. With the idea of reducing reliance on the Congregation, the Justice League recently established the Leadership Fund, a fund of major gifts intended to secure the long term needs of Bethany Hill Place. Five former Board Chairs—Donna Gallo, Catherine Mesner, Paul Connolly, Donna Hale, Marianne McLaughlin—and current Chair Tiffany O’Connell have ‘seeded’ the Leadership Fund with more than $70K, above and beyond their annual and Gala giving.

Everyone reading this is an important part of the Bethany Hill Place community. Please join us this year in celebrating the beginning of our 2nd quarter century! Save the evening of Thursday May 2nd 2019 for a special event at the Historic Village Hall in Framingham to recognize this important milestone and laud those who paved the way for resident accomplishments and Bethany Hill Place’s success.

Together, we are ready for the next 25!

Tiffany A. O’Connell
Tiffany A. O’Connell, Chair
Trish Appert
Peggy Sullivan, CSJ
VOLUNTEERS

The work of our program staff is leveraged by the help of over 70 volunteers each year. We are grateful to these individuals who provide a myriad of educational, community-building and practical skills and support to our community.

Basma Abdulnabi  
Lori Allen  
Aymee Beaudoin  
Staff Sergeant Bell  
Elijah Bondar  
Bose Corporation Employees  
Tim Boykov  
Diane Brooks-Ring  
John Bullerjahn  
Brittany Cannata  
Margaret Casey  
Mark Chistolini  
Ellen Clay  
Sarah Connors  
Mike Croci  
Peggy Cross  
Jamai Dantley  
Gerald Dowd  
Shawna Downey  
Tom Driscoll  
Reinaldo Egipciaco  
Laura ElKayam  
Connor Fallon  
Rickie Figeroa  
Framingham State University students-Reading Buddies  
Jessie Friel  
Marissa Green  
Karen Greenberger  
McKenzie Hammond  
Victoria Hartford  
Ashley Henriksen  
Rosamond Hooper-Hammersley  
Liz Kaprielian  
Martha Ann Kelley, CSJ  
Mary Kulas  
Lisa Lopes  
Barbara Loud, CSJ  
Samantha Manero  
Massachusetts Bay Community College - Human Services Club  
Brenna McGinnis  
Joan McNamara  
John McNulty  
Kelsi Mercer  
Justin Morris  
Susan Niden  
Courtney O’Regan  
Ryan Pitt  
Jenny Plezima  
Ashline Plezima  
Regis College Campus Ministry  
Katelein Rodriguez  
Bonnie Rosenberg & Blake the Dog  
Stephen Sampson  
Steven Sampson  
Dominigo Santiago  
Peter Sibson  
St. Joseph Preparatory High School - Dear Neighbor Club  
Allison Stagg  
Aiyaa Sullivan  
Emily Sulloway  
Alex Tracanna  
Kelley Tuthill  
Terri Valentine  
Molly Wheat  
Alan Winn  
Monique Young

This volunteer crew of BOSE employees did an incredible job painting our ground floor space in June!
Bethany Hill Place Celebrating 25 Years

We have met so many wonderful friends while at Bethany and come back to visit as often as we can. With the programming provided by Bethany I have made the decision to go back to college and even received the help planning the logistics. I’m so grateful for all the work and care Bethany has done for our family.

Former Resident Elle

It was where I felt like my trust self. Watching the healing power of community impact in such a positive way those who came feeling isolated and alienated was an incredible experience - and it repeated itself over and over and over. We watched countless miracles - from people beginning to realize their dreams (once they could even begin to dream - when basic survival needs were met) and to see the transformation of people into moving toward others rather than away from or against - which had been their survival modes.

Former Resident Elle

Before coming to Bethany Hill I was homeless and living here gave me more stability for my family and myself. My kids and I feel safe here. I can honestly say that not just one person impacted my stay here. All the staff and residents played a big part in my stay here, and I’m so grateful for the love they showed my family and me.

Current Resident Yolanda

I look back with great joy and pride at what has been accomplished over these twenty-five years. I reflect on the incredible residents, strong and resilient, who made their home there. Just as the first Sisters of St. Joseph perceived a need to care for the homeless and played a big part in moving toward others rather than away from or against - which had been their survival modes.

Former Resident Elle

The ability to interact, or not, with people who have gone through similar struggles, and don’t take things for granted. I’m proud to say I live at Bethany Hill, and truthfully (at least for now) wouldn’t want to live anywhere else. The support, the caring about me as a person during and after my medical escapades has been tremendous and means a lot. The staff is amazing.

Current Resident John

When I think of Bethany Hill Place I see the residents’ faces and hear their voices. Their stories are riveting and reveal what seemingly impossible things can happen within a loving, safe and respectful community: single mother to college graduate or business owner; refugee to citizen; mother to college graduate or business owner; refugee to citizen; mother to college graduate or business owner; refugee to citizen; mother to college graduate or business owner; refugee to citizen.

Current Resident, Anonymous

Our desire to reach out to women and children, especially those who were homeless or threatened with homelessness, was the primary motivation for the development of Bethany Hill School as “a living and learning community.” The combination of a safe community environment and a variety of opportunities for personal development has been the key to the success of this wonderful Sponsored Ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph for these twenty-five years. Also key has been BHP’s long-standing collaboration with our partners, Maloney Properties and South Middlesex Opportunity Council (SMOC).

Sr. Betty Cawley, Former Board Member

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Current Resident, Anonymous

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Congregation applies for and is awarded a Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston AHP grant $250K to help renovate the building

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DONORS

Bethany Hill Place gratefully acknowledges the following individuals, corporations and foundations who have so generously made contributions to Bethany Hill Place during the 2017/2018 fiscal year.

Recognition
$20000+
Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph Cummings Foundation Donna L. Hale & John Donovan Middlesex Savings Charitable Foundation

$2500 - 499

$500 - 999

$125 - 249

$1 - 124
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Frank Pepe Development Co.
Mark and Mary Fraser
Fun and Games
Donna Gallo & William Leary
Rebecca Gallo and Paul Mazotta

SUMMARY OF FINANCES

2017-2018
Income
Corporations & Foundations 162,600
Individual Contributions 217,692
Interest Income 47,449
CSJ in-kind Contributions (rem) 150,000
Rental Income 672,663
Other income 6,493
Fund Balance (40,318)
Total Income $1,196,539

Expenses
Personnel 319,773
Debt Service & Fees 48,384
Property Related Expenses 112,319
Administrative Expenses 81,525
Professional Fees 170,643
Rent & Occupancy 150,000
Direct Program Expenses 76,050
Utilities 100,187
Depreciation 127,659
Total Expenses $1,196,539
Net gain(loss) $0
SAVE THE DATE

25th ANNIVERSARY GALA

Thursday, May 2, 2019
Historic Village Hall
Framingham

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