



Independent living for adults with physical disabilities
and traumatic brain injuries



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WORDS FROM SUSAN DiSTEFANO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we enter 2018, Hosanna is in a wonderful position. Even though we have been in existence for 25 years, we are only now in a position to be looking ahead and planning for what we want our future to look like.

Up until now, we have been growing to fill our homes, developing staff, and generally been focused on what we have and need to do daily. Over the next year, Hosanna's Board will be exploring ways to better serve our residents and future residents, envisioning what we can accomplish and how we can move closer to our mission. This is an exciting time in our history! The Board will be working in conjunction with residents and their families to determine what *they* want to accomplish. What are their hopes and dreams and what plans can we come up with to help residents realize them? Additionally, we are open to any suggestions you might have. We are open to any possibilities, no matter how crazy they may seem. You never know where the next great idea may come from! We anticipate our visioning process will take a year, but never fear, I will keep you in the loop. We are grateful to you for all your support to get us to the "next level".....more to come!

From Judy Barker, board chair

While there are numerous, generous donors to our Hosanna Community, one donor the Weldon F. Osborne Foundation was recently selected as "Outstanding Philanthropist of the Year" during the 2017 *National Philanthropy Day Awards Luncheon* for their extraordinary support and donations to more than 90 different organizations, almost exclusively in the Greater Chattanooga area. Original founders Eleanor and Weldon Osborne, now deceased, had quietly begun investing in the local philanthropic community since 1959. Their generosity and love for this community lives on through a dedicated executive director Barbara Marter and Board of Trustees. Osborne Foundation grants have continued to provide support to youth, arts and culture, education, health and social services, and religious organizations, including our very grateful Hosanna Community. To all our faithful Hosanna donors, we are so blessed!

In Memory

Our Hosanna family lost a dear member: Beth Williams, a lifetime board member, passed away in late December. Beth was a role model of caring, compassion, and commitment, and her impact was felt by many. She will be sorely missed!



Hello all! For those of you who don't know or haven't met me yet, my name is Tania Barry and I am the new social worker at Hosanna. I am honored to be here and to be a part of this awesome family atmosphere. 2018 is upon us and I am excited to start this year with some new focuses for our residents. I have two goals this year: 1. Goals. Find out what each resident would like to work on this year—personal goals, big or small, it's up to them and we'll work on these together! 2. Health. Not everyone is as healthy as he/she could be (myself included), but we can make steps to be just a little healthier each day. I would like to encourage our folks to do at least one thing this year towards a healthier lifestyle and I'll follow up with them to see how it's coming along. I pray that this year, you Reader, will be blessed and highly favored. Until next time.

Tania Barry

From Carolyn Rice, Incoming Board Chair

During the holidays, Hosanna feels like a reunion. We hear from former board members and staff, past residents and their families, and old friends, some who have been involved from the beginning of Hosanna's founding. It is a time for us to reflect on just how many people we have touched through the years, and I am proud to say "it has been many"!

We also hear from our donors through gifts, cards, notes, etc. I believe we have the most loyal donors of any nonprofit in Chattanooga! We feel blessed to have such faithful donors, new and old, who continue to support our mission with their time, treasures and talents. We do not take any of you for granted!

As we look towards the new year with excitement, we remember our many blessings: happy residents; healthy residents; houses almost full; an exciting new staff position; a great executive director and assistant director; donors who support us physically, financially, and prayerfully; and a caring board of directors. Happy 2018!

WISH LIST

- Canned soups
- Mac & cheese
- Canned fruit
- Quart & gallon-sized storage bags
- Aluminum foil
- Plastic wrap
- canned tuna and salmon
- Mayo, mustard, ketchup & relish
- Vegetable oil & cooking sprays



Another successful Harvest for Hope! ***A World of Flavor*** was lots of fun for all and raised funds to help those residents on financial aid. **THANK YOU** for your support!



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As we look ahead, we are working hard to preserve our homes for future generations. It is essential for us to continue to build our endowment. Money left to us in estates will automatically go in our endowment fund unless otherwise specified. Additionally, all donations made in honor or in memory of an individual are earmarked for the endowment fund. I welcome the opportunity to speak with you about ways you can give to protect Hosanna's future. Call me and let's set up a time to meet and talk about options. I can be reached at 423-314-6921 or at the office at 423-870-6880.

Susan DiStefano

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