

We believe in a future where all people have access to programs and services to live their best life!

One of the best ways to support our life-changing work is by providing a financial gift.

Dear Friend of Hope House,

ONE in THREE adults living with disabilities have an unmet healthcare need. Life-changing health challenges have a disproportionate impact on marginalized groups including LGBTQIA+ community, people of color, women and aging individuals, groups that frequently avoid health care for fear of discrimination, mistreatment or lack of financial resources. We know the percentage of people experiencing life-changing health challenges increases as poverty increases- as the need for care increases, what can you do to make a difference?

Hope House of St. Croix Valley is more than an adult foster care. We are a beacon of HOPE-for our residents, our staff, and our community. An inclusive safe place that seeks to provide all individuals experiencing life-changing health challenges access to compassionate care that respects their dignity and choices. With your help, our future plans are to expand services and bring compassionate care to an even greater population.

As 2022 comes to a close, please remember that your donation will make a significant difference in our organization. This year more than ever, we need your support. Our costs have increased but our reimbursements from the government have moved farther and farther from meeting those costs. Without partners like you, Hope House simply would not be able to provide the compassionate care to our residents, empowering them to live their best lives.

By giving, you'll be making it possible for marginalized folks to receive the compassionate care they need and deserve. Please join us in reaching our goal of \$50,000 by making a tax deductible donation online or by sending the prepaid remittance envelope with your financial contribution. We are capable of so much more when we work together!

Sustaining Our Mission

Our donors have always been of the utmost importance to our organization, and we want to ensure that we listen to you and honor you in the way that speaks to you individually. From the bottom of our hearts, **thank you** for your continued generosity and support of Hope House of St. Croix Valley.

In gratitude,

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TOP ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2022

THANKS TO THE DONATIONS TO HOPE HOUSE'S MISSION FROM PEOPLE LIKE YOU

1 CARE PARTNERS

Health care organizations across the country experienced staff shortage in the wake of Covid-19. With your contributions, Hope House was able to remain staffed and grow our team of wonderful care partners in order to best meet the needs of our residents.



2 RESIDENT CARE

Creating space for individuals living with life-changing health challenges to <u>live their best life</u> is the reason we do what we do at Hope House. Your donations go directly towards the services and programs our residents need while also providing them opportunities to engage in community. Our residents enjoy swim lessons, fine arts presentations, alternative therapies, local attractions, unique hobbies, worship services and so many more activities that bring them joy. Our residents know they are loved, valued, cherished, and respected members of the Hope House family.

3 RETURN OF THE CRUIZE

Hope House's most **treasured** event of the year, the Scott Zahren Memorial Cruize: Cruize for a Cauze, resumed after a three year hiatus due to the pandemic. Our largest fundraising event of the year, the Cruize is also a time of great fellowship for our staff, residents and community. This event, which honors our past as we continue working towards the

future, would not be possible without your contributions.

O SPECIAL EVENTS

Since our founding, Hope House has been blessed by the support of our neighbors and community members. We were excited for the opportunity to re-open the doors, inviting friends to **celebrate**



the seasons during our inaugural events. In June, we held the AIDS Memorial Garden Party and in October we enjoyed the Hope House Harvest. These special events added in the reintegration of our residents and staff with the neighborhood in which they live.

6 COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Your donations have **propelled** the reach of Hope House by empowering the organization to participate in community events where we can share our mission with others.

2022 was our first year to sponsor Twin Cities Pride. We also launched our monthly Lunch and Learn program where we invite members of the community to learn about diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). Our relationships with

local religious institutions has been strengthened with opportunities to speak to congregations, sharing the good work we do. Hope House has been in collaboration with local educational institutions organizing internship and volunteer opportunities.



CHANGING LIVES IS A BEAUTIFUL PRIVILEDGE.

Thank you for keeping Hope House of St. Croix Valley in your mind and heart during this giving season.

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Please complete your reply card to make a donation today.

