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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

Board Chair

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Executive Director



While he was serving time in prison, Angel's sponsors sought to help him navigate his reentry into society. Growing up in what Angel describes as a tough environment in Puerto Rico, he at first didn't know what to make of their encouragement: 'you can do it – its up to you. Make a plan and stick to it'. They also urged him to apply for housing at Bethany Hill Place. He followed their advice, and came to live in one of our studio apartments soon after his release from prison in 2011.

"You arrive there with no hope. But if you take advantage of their resources and can accept the support, you can move on with your life." He worked diligently to earn and save money, and the community at Bethany Hill Place helped him to be less isolated, breaking down the insecurity learned in prison. Within three years, he was ready to move on from Bethany Hill Place.

Four years later, Angel is married and he owns a thriving landscaping business. He counts the joys of his life, among them financial stability, home ownership, a business, and a wonderful family. In Angel's own words "Bethany Hill Place gave me the start I needed."

"BHP is not just a nice place to live. If you want change in your life, it is not easy. But it is worth it. My wife and I feel blessed. We feel like we can help others." Angel is still in contact with his former sponsors, as well as some of his former neighbors at Bethany Hill Place. He has hired two young men who grew up at Bethany Hill, becoming a mentor and role model himself.



This volunteer crew of BOSE employees did an incredible job painting our ground floor space in June!

VOLUNTEERS

The work of our 2 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.

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Bethany Hill Place

"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



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."

SR. BETSY CONWAY, FORMER NEW BEGINNINGS PROGRAM DIRECTOR

6 became involved in the Bethany Hill project when it was first proposed and was met with significant neighborhood opposition. It was ironic that the neighbors were so adamantly opposed as many of them had acquired their homes by purchasing land from the Congregation and nearly all of them had been educated by Sisters of St. Joseph. The Sisters stood tall and calm as they held their ground defending the dignity of homeless people who would otherwise have no voice. It was an inspiring show of extraordinary courage in the face of heartbreaking attacks from their former pupils and current neighbors. In the end the Sisters prevailed and created a warm, welcoming home...and fresh starts...for many families who would call Bethany Hill their home. That was the beginning of new lives for the Bethany Hill residents and the beginning of my 30 plus year relationship with the courageous women of the Congregation."

JAMES HANRAHAN, FORMER BOARD CHAIR

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 in society and responded to it, so too, Bethany Hill Place's founders responded to a need to create affordable housing with a strong educational component, as always, impelled by God's inclusive love"

SR. DENISE KELLY, FORMER PROGRAM DIRECTOR



1993

Congregation applies for and is awarded a Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston AHP grant \$250K to help renovate the building 1994

Bethany Hill School opens its doors in June

1998

The TJX Foundation funds our Parenting Program and we launch a 20 year partnership with Families First Parenting Program 2001

A Reading Club for resident children is formed, this is followed by children's singing groups 'Puppy Love', ' New Kidz on the Hill' and 'Joyful Noise'

Celebrating 25 Years



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;
troubled youth to police officer.
I have witnessed the loveliest,
mild mannered volunteers, staff,
and board members use their
precious time and talent to move

mountains for our residents. Twenty five years now of stories. I get it. We all win. This is the legacy of The Sisters of St. Joseph."

DONNA HALE, FORMER BOARD CHAIR

"The opportunity to live at Bethany
Hill came at exactly the right time.
I didn't know I needed a place like
Bethany, or that even such a place
exisited, but here I am. I'm thriving
instead of just surviving. A fresh
start for so many who need one.
For that I'm eternally grateful."

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



I am most grateful for the support
I have been given to develop my
abilities to full potential when I was
full of self doubt. The staff allowed
me to grow and often remind me
of how far I have come."

CURRENT RESIDENT, ANONYMOUS



2005

Application for 10 Project Based Assistance HUD sec 8's approved

2005

National Award for Excellence in Affordable Housing given by MetLife Foundation– 1st place in property and asset management

2009

Board of Trustees Strategic Planning process leads to hiring of organization's first Executive Director

2016

Bethany Hill School changes name to Bethany Hill Place to better describe mission

DONORS

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SUMMARY OF FINANCES

2017-2018

Income

Corporations & Foundations	162,600
Individual Contributions	217,692
Interest Income	47,449
CSJ in-kind Contributions (rent)	150,000
Rental Income	672,663
Other income	6,493
Fund Balance	(60,358)
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)	\$	-



25th ANNIVERSARY GALA

Thursday, May 2, 2019 Historic Village Hall Framingham



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