

# MAKING LIVES BRIGHTER!



For More Information on the  
"Brighter Lives Campaign"

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*Menonite Home Communities of Ohio is a non-profit retirement and health care community that offers multiple levels of services to residents and the community.*

*Thank you for your support and continued prayers for the elders we are so privileged to serve.*



BRIGHTER LIVES  
ANNUAL SUPPORT



FRIEDA BASINGER knew the importance of a purposeful life. Along with her annual gift of \$1,000, she would include a note, emphasizing that it should be spent on "making elders' lives brighter." She wanted her gift to keep loneliness and boredom at bay. "So glad I could make a little fun for your folks. My pleasure!" she quipped in 2007.

*"Frieda's passion for brightening the lives of elders has evolved into a larger legacy. We continually consider how every aspect of our service contributes to purpose and meaning in the lives of elders, children and those who care for them."*

— Elizabeth Kelly  
Chair, MHCO Board of Directors 2018

## LIFE ENRICHMENT

We believe that true quality of life includes opportunities for life enrichment through meaningful activity, friendships, fun and personal decision-making. We affirm each person's unique gifts and talents and we endeavor to create an atmosphere where each has an opportunity to maximize his or her potential.





BRIGHTER LIVES  
GIVING FELLOWSHIP

This annual campaign supports benevolent care, capital projects, activities and programs that enhance the lives of elders and children served by MHCO. This year's campaign goal is more than \$135,000.

The Benevolent Care Fund helps sustain our well-respected senior living quality of care. Fortunately, we are living longer, but this has caused many of our elders to outlive their resources while still needing long-term care. Medicaid reimbursement falls far short of the actual cost of services. Our Benevolent Care Fund and interest earned on our endowment help reduce the costs associated with uncompensated care.

Your generous contribution to the Brighter Lives Campaign supports projects and programs such as:

- Improvements to our physical spaces and support for programs such as Hilty Preschool and Child Care
- High staff-to-elder ratio that allows an emphasis on person centered care and interesting and engaging activities and programs
- The Education Fund for new and current staff to receive supplementary training in person-centered care

JOIN THE BRIGHTER LIVES  
GIVING FELLOWSHIP

- **Fellowship Leaders** (\$5,000+)
- **Fellowship Sustainers** (\$2,500-\$4,999)
- **Fellowship Partners** (\$1,000-\$2,499)
- **Fellowship Friends** (\$500-\$999)

We also welcome and encourage Corporate Fellowship Partners. Learn more about corporate recognition on our website by contacting Chris Moser, director of development, 419-358-1015, ext. 263.

Individuals and businesses with annual contributions of \$1,000+ are invited to the annual MHCO Brighter Lives Fellowship Banquet. MHCO will keep these donors updated on important issues and programs of interest.



HOW TO GIVE

- Visit [mhcoliving.org](http://mhcoliving.org) and click "Ways to Give"
- Send a check made payable to MHCO
- If you are 70-1/2+, ask your IRA administrator about making a contribution through your required minimum distribution



“MHCO has a great selection of care options for elders, ranging from home health care to independent living, and nursing care. We are pleased to partner with them and support their work in our community.”

— George & Anita Lehman  
MHCO Supporters

OTHER GIVING OPTIONS

- Have a gift matched through your employer. Check with your HR Department to see if your company matches personal gifts or volunteer time for MHCO
- Volunteer at MHCO. Visit [mhcoliving.org/ways-to-give/volunteer/](http://mhcoliving.org/ways-to-give/volunteer/)
- Make a gift of appreciated assets or property
- Include MHCO in your estate plans
- Contact Chris Moser if you have questions or need additional information, 419-358-1015, ext. 263

