

*Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the
branch cannot bear Fruit by itself
unless it abides in the vine, neither can you
unless you abide in me. - John 15:4*

The Vine

A GENEROUS COMMUNITY RESULTS IN INAUGURAL MHCO GALA SUCCESS

Mennonite Home Communities of Ohio (MHCO) hosted their inaugural Gala on October 13th, 2022 at The Centre at Bluffton. MHCO's Gala is a fundraising event to benefit the MHCO Benevolent Care Fund, which provides support to care for older adults who have outlived their resources. The theme was "Game Day", and participants dressed in their favorite sports-themed attire.

Our expectations were surpassed in terms of both attendance and funds raised. The local community showed their support for MHCO in a big way for this event, with a sold-out crowd of 144. The event raised a total of \$36,320, surpassing the goal of \$25,000. While a majority of these funds will go toward the Benevolent Care Fund, \$6,000 will join additional matching and designated gifts of \$9,000 towards "Wish List" items to help make our residents' lives brighter. Items that will be purchased as a result of this generosity include two grills for outdoor cooking, four therapy/companion lifelike robotic pets for memory care units, a 75" television, a NuStep bike, and composite outdoor furniture.

Chris Moser, Director of Resource Development and Church Relations shared, "This was the first event of this type for MHCO, our goal was to provide an evening for fun, fellowship and goodwill to



support the work of MHCO, in particular to support the benevolent care program which supports MHCO as we care for older adults who have outlived their resources. The response was very positive and I was pleased to hear from participants their interest in attending the 2023 MHCO Gala."

The event was made possible by so many staff members, MHCO residents, sponsors, organizations, and volunteers that we cannot list them all, but some include;

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Emcee - "Big" Dave Crosser;
Sound – Terry Schey;
Photographer – Jennifer Yost;
Auctioneers – Lisa Wenger and Elaine Wehri; Musical Guests – Dave Sykes and the BHS Marching Band; Entertainment – J. Denny and Jenny Beaver.

And of course, we would like to thank all of those who attended the event, who bid on auction items, and who purchased raffle tickets in support of our mission. We would also like to thank The Centre and the staff there. More pictures from this event can be found on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

The Bluffton, Pandora and surrounding communities have continued to show their support and generosity to our mission for over 67 years. If you or your organization are interested in sponsoring or providing prizes for next year's Gala, please contact Chris Moser at 419-358-1015, x263 or at cmoser@mhcoliving.org.

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A WORD FROM DAREN

Autumn is displaying God's creation as the harvest season nears its end. *"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork"*, Psalm 19:1. The past several weeks have been a flurry of activity around MHCO. MHCO campuses participated in the Bluffton Fall Festival for the first time in 3 years. It was a joy to host our community again. We also hosted the first annual Gala event on October 13. The outpouring of support was overwhelming and helped us surpass our goal. The evening was a blessing to many. The Willow Ridge campus also celebrated its 10th Anniversary. It has been a season of joy amidst difficulty.

On November 1, 2022, the Board of MHCO announced that skilled nursing and assisted living services at Hilty Home in Pandora will close by the end of 2022 due to ongoing operational challenges. This decision was reached after much deliberation and prayer. We are working with every Hilty Home resident and employee and providing an opportunity to transition to one of our Bluffton campuses, allowing us to foster existing relationships and create new meaningful relationships. Our mission remains unchanged. Mennonite Home Communities of Ohio (MHCO) is committed to being a Christ centered community that promotes personal decision making and purposeful living for each older adult served. With this consolidation of resources we are working to ensure our mission continues to serve the older adults in our community through our Independent Living, Assisted Living, Short-term Rehab, Long-term Nursing and Home Health services. We also continue to serve the greater community through our Hilty Preschool & Child Care program.

We are nearly 3 years into a long season in a highly regulated environment



during a global pandemic. Life has been filled with unique and challenging issues during this season. COVID, world conflict, inflation and many individual struggles. Rest has not come easily to many during this time. Life has been full of distractions. The sermon at my church on November 6 was focused on Matthew 11:28, *"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."* My prayer is for Christ's church to experience rest. That extends to the ministry of MHCO. The world does not provide rest, but when Christians rest in the Lord, we display Christ to those in the world. Through Christ's sacrifice, the battle has been fought and won. When we acknowledge this, we can find rest knowing that God is in control.

As always, we are thankful for the many churches, organizations and families who support our work! God's peace and blessing to you as we approach this season of Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daren Lee".

Daren Lee
Chief Operating Officer, MHCO

For the most recent information on MHCO and or COVID-19 response please visit: <https://mhcoliving.org/covid19>

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(Recognizes people that have named MHCO in their will or as a beneficiary of a planned gift. To learn more about legacy giving to MHCO visit: mhcoliving.org/ways-to-give)

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Willow Ridge celebrates 10 years of Elder care in October '22. The Freida and Betty House homes are the first locations in Ohio to use the Green House model of Care. Green House homes have a feel like a traditional home while the elder, family members, Shabbaz (caregiver) and nurse work together to create a household of love and support. Congratulations to all who helped in the founding of this wonderful facility and to those who serve the older adults and families living there. Congratulations and Happy 10 years old!

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We endeavor to provide accurate donor names that made a gift during calendar year 2021. Please contact Chris Moser at 419-358-1015 ext 263 for any corrections, oversights or if you prefer not to have your name listed in the future.

GIVING TUESDAY

During the week of November 28, **gifts of \$50.00+ will be matched 1:1 up to \$1,000.00** to support the MHCO Benevolent Care Fund.



MHCO's time for Halloween! Ralph and Melba Gerber get into the Halloween spirit with Maple Crest's First Trunk-or-Treat.

Hilty Home hosts a Breast Cancer Awareness Pink Party.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT MHCO

Over the past months we have seen a decrease in the number of volunteers arriving to MHCO communities. We realize it can be challenging to wear a mask while on campus, nonetheless we are shouting from the mountaintop that volunteers are very much welcome. Due to changing circumstances at each campus we may need to suspend activities from time to time but overall as you can see from



Volunteers Needed!

the many events and activities happening on our campuses we could use your help. If you have a question about becoming a new volunteer or coming back after a break from volunteering please give any of our activity

directors, life enrichment coordinator or listed myself on page two a call to inquire about an opportunity for meaningful experiences as a MHCO volunteer. Thank you! - Chris Moser

For more information about upcoming volunteer opportunities at MHCO, stay tuned to our website and Bluffton ICON for a listing of volunteer opportunities.

MHCO AND GIFT OF LAND

A few months ago, we received a surprising but welcomed phone call. "Hello, we have been following MHCO's work for many years and would like to support your work. Can we make an anonymous gift of land to MHCO?*" While there are a few things you want to make sure get done in the right order, making a gift of an appreciated asset is an excellent gift. Some benefits include: the donor does not have to pay capital gains on the appreciated value of the land.



In this case the land cost basis was \$500 per acre. Over the years it had appreciated to nearly \$13,000. By gifting the land neither the donor nor MHCO have to pay taxes on the gains. This allows the charitable gift to provide additional support to projects and programs that serve older adults of MHCO. A gift of appreciated assets

such as land or stocks can be a very good way to support a nonprofit in making the most of its mission in your community.

UPDATE ON CHARITABLE GIVING THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2022

MHCO Brighter Lives Charitable Giving	2022 Goals	Realized Jan. – Sept.
Nurture and Wellness focus:	\$80,000	\$37,586
Benevolent Care:	\$75,000	\$53,652
MHCO Fund:	\$75,000	\$37,667
Endowment Fund:	\$45,000	\$ 9,494
Other:	\$25,000	\$12,286
Total:	\$300,000	\$150,685

Please help MHCO finish out the year strong! For more information on MHCO's 2022 fundraising goals please see: mhcolive.org/ways-to-give/ or the Spring '22 newsletter.

FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2021

The following financial information is a consolidated report representing all campuses, programs and affiliate organizations that encompass Mennonite Home Communities of Ohio (MHCO). Included are Mennonite Memorial Home, Mennonite Home Health and Senior Services, Maple Crest, Willow Ridge, Hilty Memorial Home, Hilty Preschool & Childcare and the MHCO Fund.

As 2021 began, MHCO was still in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. This brought continued challenges to all of our operations. Some of these included the reluctance of elders to move into a congregate living setting impacting census, and the ongoing staffing challenges which resulted in higher cost to provide services.

Total Operating Revenue increased 10.6% due primarily

to the recognition of funds received from federal and state programs. These were used mainly to offset COVID related expenses and the reduction of other revenue. Total Operating Expenses increased 0.3% due to prudent expense management throughout the MHCO continuum of care. The efforts of the entire MHCO team are to be commended as a Net Income of over \$600,000 was realized for the year.

We are emboldened to move MHCO forward by the continued support, prayers, volunteering and financial contributions from our community partners that walk beside us to carry on the MHCO mission.

With Blessings and Kind Regards,
MHCO Finance Team & Business Office Services

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

Operating Revenue

Programs & Services	\$13,701,226
Investment (Loss) Income	338,603
Amortization of Entrance Fees	321,542
Other Operating Revenue	2,641,529
Net Assets Released From Restriction used in operations	36,325

Total Operating Revenue \$17,039,225

Operating Expenses

Salaries, Wages, Taxes, Benefits	\$9,536,476
Operating Supplies & Expenses	2,939,269
Utilities	507,766
Real Estate Taxes	159,705
Other	1,521,816

Total Operating Expenses..... \$14,721,032

Total Operating Income \$2,318,193

Depreciation

Interest

Excess of Revenue over Expenses \$533,611

Net Assets Released From Restriction

Used In Acquisition of Property

and Equipment

Net Income \$600,099

2021 CONTRIBUTIONS BY DESIGNATION

(\$199,710 Total)

MHCO General Fund	\$62,005
Endowment	\$16,971
Benevolent Care Fund	\$70,933
Handicap accessible van	\$12,360
Other designated gifts	\$16,871
Value of Gifts in Kind	\$ 1,609
Flower Fund	\$ 6,693
Hilty Child Care.....	\$12,268

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 2021

Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$1,495,798
Investments.....	2,855,074
Accounts Receivable	813,875
Net Property & Equipment	18,928,657
Other Assets	1,377,193

Total Assets..... \$25,470,597

Liabilities

Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses.....	\$913,192
Resident Security Deposits.....	39,633
Accrued Compensation & Related Liabilities	617,573
Deferred Revenue.....	2,433,943
Bonds Payable	9,190,835
Refundable Advanced Fees	2,494,467

Total Liabilities..... \$15,689,643

Unrestricted Net Assets..... 9,720,034

Temporarily & Permanently

Restricted Net Assets

Total Liabilities & Net Assets..... \$25,470,597

MHCO was pleased to host the 2022 Fall Festival this year at Maple Crest and Mennonite Memorial Home. It was great to have the Hilty Home Preschool team sharing activities with the many children who attended. Thank You!





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GIVING TUESDAY

MHCO WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN
GIVING TUESDAY NOVEMBER 29.

Giving Tuesday brings together a global community around ideals of generosity + collective action. Gifts on Giving Tuesday will support the MHCO Benevolent Care Fund. Gifts of \$50 - \$1,000 will be matched 1:1 by some generous anonymous donors who have pooled together \$20,000 for this effort.

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND THANKS GIVING

The moment I walked into Willow Ridge and was greeted by Heather and the Shahbaz, I felt very comfortable with the decision to have my mother move into Willow Ridge. The kindness, compassion and over all care my mother is receiving from the staff, helped me know it was the right move.

-Mae Lankston, daughter of Helen Frisby, Willow Ridge Resident

Hilty care givers watch out for me and everyone here in a caring and compassionate way.

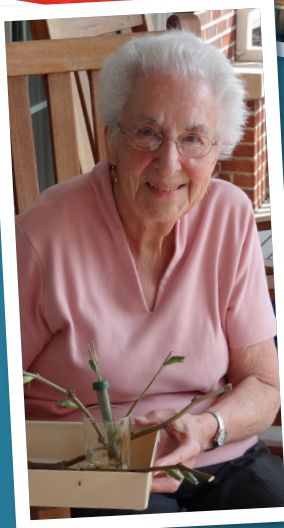
-Sherman Ridinger, Hilty Home Resident

I was happy living in my cottage at MMH, but one morning the Lord impressed upon me my need for assistance. After settling in at Maple Crest, I'm content and would recommend it to anyone looking for a lovely place to live.

-Rhody Hartman, Maple Crest Resident

It is a good place, with good people. Mennonite Memorial Home has been my home for many years and I feel part of a fun team here.

-Teresa Romick, Mennonite Memorial Home Resident



For the past 16 years Joanne Niswander was caregiver of the monarch butterfly nursery at Maple Crest. When the project concluded this year Joanne and colleague Hazel Rodabaugh decided it was okay to stop "raising" Monarchs. Joanne, loving and caring advocate of many wonderful projects and causes, passed away October 8th and will be dearly missed by the Maple Crest and MHCO community. In Joanne's memory we give thanks for the many relationships she nurtured.