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Annual Report 2020

45 Years of Community



A community of people,
with and without developmental disabilities,
belonging to an international federation,
joining in prayer and trusting in God,
celebrating the unique value of every person,
and recognizing our need for one another.

Hello from Jen, Community Leader

Wow!! 2020 – what a year!

It was a year filled with unending surprises – good ones and not so good ones. But now we can see that one of the biggest blessings of the year is that we survived and have come out the other end of it with a greater appreciation for the little things in life. We'll never take for granted hugs, time spent with loved ones, birthday parties and just having the freedom to leave the house. These things were in short supply this year, but we learned how to love and support one another from afar. We are so grateful for the friendships that have gotten us through this year, from our faithful donors to our hard-working assistants to our incredibly resilient Core Members. We thank God for each of you and know that we are truly blessed. May God's blessings be upon you and your families in 2021.

With a grateful heart,

Jen O'Malia

Hello from Marty, Chairman of the Board 2019-2020

Please let me assure our friends that you can have great confidence that during 2020 your generosity to our L'Arche community has been appreciated and scrupulously stewarded by the Board of Directors. In 2020, our Board was strengthened by the addition of Faraaz Hussain and Sean Stefancin, CPA. Sean has used his skills as a Director with ClearSulting to be an outstanding Treasurer. Our Board now includes members with expertise in financial analysis, accounting, law, IT, human resources, elder care management, counseling and social work—all of whom love our Core members. We did many things to improve and professionalize our organization, but our greatest success was hiring Jen O'Malia as our Executive Director and Community Leader since Jen brings her experience serving L'Arche her entire adult life from Assistant to House Leader to Assistant Director and, more importantly, her long and close personal relationships with our Core Members. The future is very bright with Mary Golrick taking over as President of our Board and Jerry Joyce taking over as Vice president.

God bless,

Marty Spring



The best of 2020



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In September 2020, we were gifted a new home in the Highland Heights neighborhood. This home will eventually replace our home in Maple Heights once renovations are completed.

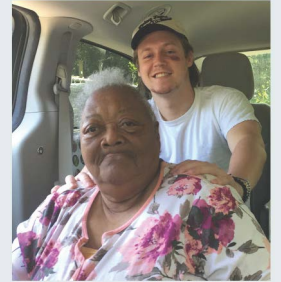
In March 2020, we gathered for a new tradition: A Monsters Hockey game fundraiser. We cheered on the Monsters and enjoyed what ended up being our last pre-COVID fundraising event.

In early 2020, we celebrated the life of Core Member Kathy, who passed away on January 3rd. We celebrated her life with a memorial service and luncheon with all those who loved her.

Throughout 2020, we welcomed new Assistants in all of our homes. Assistants play a crucial role in our community as they live and serve alongside our Core Members.

Through the generosity of our supporters, we raised over \$140,000 in unrestricted funds (a 113% increase from 2019!) to support our community!

Throughout the year, we found new ways to celebrate our Core Members on birthdays and anniversaries. We had 6 drive-by birthday parades, 3 virtual birthday parties through Zoom, and countless other virtual celebrations.



By the numbers

In 2020, we...



- connected (virtually and in person pre-COVID) with over **40 volunteers** from high schools, universities, and churches
- spent over **50 hours** talking, laughing, and praying together over Zoom
- connected with over **2,000 people** each week through Facebook, Instagram, and our website
- washed, dried, and folded **3,120 loads of laundry**

- shared over **700 meals** together throughout our 5 homes
- supported, loved, and celebrated **15 Core Members**
- **celebrated 45 years together as a community!**



Thank you to our supporters

For 45 years, L'Arche Cleveland has provided a place of belonging for adults with and without developmental disabilities. L'Arche Cleveland is more than a place to live; we strive to be a true home and refuge for all our community members. When you support L'Arche Cleveland, you change lives.

In 2020...



You and your peers donated more than **\$140,000** in unrestricted donations to support our community

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new donors joined our donor family
welcome!



We received more than **\$5,700 annually** through our monthly giving program



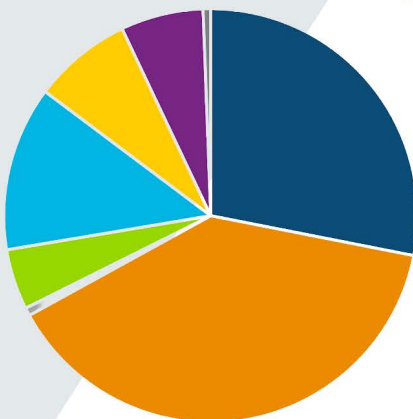
We received **\$122,000** of COVID-relief funds from the State of OH and individual donors.



We received over **300** donations from organizations, foundations, and individuals with an average gift size of **\$312**



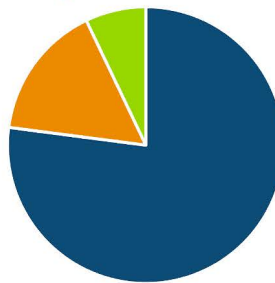
Revenue 2020



Total Revenue: 1.9 million

Financial Snapshot

Expenses 2020



Total Expense: 1.31 million

Licensed Homes Waiver - 28%
Supported Living Waiver - 39%
Outreach Waiver - 1%
CCBDD R&B for Licensed Homes - 5%
Restricted Donations and Grants - 13%
Unrestricted Donations - 8%
State of OH COVID Relief- 6%
Misc. Revenue, Interest, and Reimbursements - 1%

Salaries and Benefits - 77%
Program Services - 16%
Development and Fundraising - 7%



L'Arche Cleveland has been blessed by Alex Bell accepting the position of Communications Specialist, which includes coordination of fund-raising and friend-raising. Alex joined our community in 2015 as an Assistant, and so she brings to her new role a great love and knowledge of our Core Members. Thanks to Alex, and assistance from Sister Anita Maroun and Jerry Jindra, our efforts at development are more consistent and professional, as attested by this Annual Report put together by her, without diminishing our L'Arche identity as a community that centers on our Core Members, trusts in God, and celebrates the unique value of every individual.

Thank you to our Board!

L'Arche Cleveland would like to thank the members of our Board: Paul Alandt, Derek Bentoff, Marty Dybic, Patrick Gaunt, Mary E. Golrick, Jerry Joyce, Bruce Holmes, Faraaz Hussain, Sean Stefancin, and Mike Woods; and members of our Investment Committee: Will Johnson, CFP, Financial Advisor at Baird, and Matthew Theis, CFA and CAIA, Consultant at Segal Marco Advisors.