



JOSEPH'S JOURNEY

Donors Inspired to Ensure CSA Legacy Carries On SISTER JOAN GALLAGHER ENDOWMENT FUND ESTABLISHED

Sr. Joan Gallagher, CSA, served the poor through the Famicos Foundation and Joseph's Home

For more than 165 years, the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine (CSA) have taken as their mission an “openness to the needs of others.” Their “willing response,” in the words of their mission statement, reflects “a unity of purpose achieved through our ministries of health care, social service and education.” In this spirit, the work of the CSA sisters is both rooted and dynamic: they are dedicated to alleviating poverty and homelessness, but they also believe their work must be innovative, responsive and transformative. As communities change, the sisters adapt their ministries to meet new and emerging needs.



Pictured with Sr. Joan Gallagher, CSA, (center), are Richard M. and Jeanne Colleran Weaver, who made a visionary gift that has become the seed of the first endowment fund, which will help ensure the healing ministry of Joseph's Home can continue well into the future.

Joseph's Home is one example of the sisters' recognition of an unmet need and their innovative response. As health care experts, the sisters saw that old models for treating illness among the homeless population were inadequate. In April 2000, they created Joseph's Home, a place where medically frail homeless men could recuperate after leaving the hospital. Here they offered the men transitional housing and medical respite care so that they could regain the health, energy and hope needed to build stronger lives. Years later, Joseph's Home has helped many men regain their health, leave the streets with jobs and homes, and make vital reconnections to family, friends and their own sense of personal dignity. Joseph's Home is the only homeless service provider in Northeast Ohio exclusively focused on medical respite care.

Sr. Joan Gallagher, CSA, was one of the initiative's planners, and she served as the first executive director. The vision and accomplishments of Joseph's Home are due to Sr. Joan's tireless efforts. For her, the word “transitional” and “recovery” have spiritual as well as physical and material meanings. Transitional care means giving deep attention to the needs of the men as individuals so that they have the confidence to live healthy and meaningful lives. Recovery, in the most important sense, means a deeply-felt restoration of intrinsic worthiness and love. Joseph's Home is a place of hope and

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Your support of Joseph's Home will help men without resources recover their health and return to permanent housing. Please send your gift today or donate online at josephshome.com.

Securing the Future of Joseph's Home

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Each day as I walk through the halls of Joseph's Home, I am reminded of the incredible vision of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine and the "Dream Team" that founded Joseph's Home. Their ability to see a need of the community, assemble community-minded individuals that wanted to help, and begin addressing the needs of the community is nothing short of amazing.

As I speak with the men we serve about their challenges and the barriers they have faced, I cannot help but think of how important this mission has been to so many medically fragile homeless men in our community—and how important it is to *sustain this mission* for the homeless individuals who will need us in the future.

This year, Joseph's Home is taking considerable steps toward creating a more sustainable program. As a medical respite model, our program has the opportunity to obtain earned income through Medicaid reimbursements and contracts for service with hospitals. We are currently working toward the necessary elements of sustainability,

including becoming an accredited facility and building our infrastructure for Medicaid billing. Because of the astounding generosity of Richard M. Weaver and Jeanne Colleran, we have established the first endowment fund for Joseph's Home—the Sister Joan Gallagher Endowment Fund—that will continuously provide a stable funding source for serving homeless individuals in the future.

As co-ministers of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine, we see ourselves as the hands doing God's work. The Joseph's Home Board of Directors and I remain diligently focused on maintaining and expanding upon that vital and important work. Your role in this mission cannot be overstated. Thank you for your support and advocacy that enables the men we serve to heal, recuperate and restore their hope for the future. Together, I look forward to continuing God's work in our community.

Your partner in service,

CHRISTINE HORNE, *Executive Director*

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Hundreds of caring neighbors in and beyond Northeast Ohio gave generously to make healing possible for the men of Joseph's Home in 2018.

The annual Joseph's Home Donor Honor Roll is one of the ways we say "thank you." All supporters who made at least one financial contribution are listed, unless they requested to remain anonymous. Know that the residents, alumni, board and staff of Joseph's Home are deeply grateful for each and every gift and for your partnership with us. Please continue to keep Joseph's Home in your thoughts, prayers and charitable giving plans. Thank you!

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If you have any questions or have already included Joseph's Home in your estate plan, contact Development Manager Madeline Wallace at 216.987.9201 for more information.

Thank you!

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spirit, qualities that define Sr. Joan's lifelong commitment to the poor and to the mission of her congregation. The Sister Joan Gallagher Endowment Fund was established to honor her service and her spirit. Before leading Joseph's Home, Sr. Joan worked as the associate director of the Famicos Foundation, another ministry of the Sister of Charity of St. Augustine. Founded by Sr. Henrietta Gorris, CSA, after the Hough riots, Famicos Foundation is one of the oldest and most successful community development corporations in the city of Cleveland. In its 50 year history, it has recovered or built more than 1,000 homes and apartments. When Sr. Joan needed development assistance for Joseph's Home, she enlisted the aid of the Famicos Foundation.

Richard Weaver and Jeanne Colleran Weaver: Friends of CSA ministries

Richard M. and Jeanne Colleran Weaver began volunteering at Famicos Foundation while students at John Carroll University. There they met Sr. Henrietta, CSA, Sr. Bertha Cross, CSA, and Sr. Joan and began a lifelong friendship with the sisters. Since then, Richard and Jeanne have remained deeply involved in the Catholic and nonprofit communities in Cleveland. Richard is an attorney and a retired executive of The Sherwin-Williams Company, and he has stayed connected to the Famicos Foundation as a volunteer, board member and board president. Jeanne completed her doctorate and joined the faculty



Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine committee members who helped found Joseph's Home

at John Carroll University, eventually serving as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, provost and academic vice president, and interim president. So when Joseph's Home opened with Sr. Joan at the helm, Richard and Jeanne fully supported the mission.

In the spirit of responding to the needs of the community and in recognition of the tremendously loving, caring and transformative work being done by the CSA sisters, Richard and Jeanne wanted to ensure the healing ministry of Joseph's Home could continue. Having witnessed firsthand the exceptional impact of the CSA sisters and Joseph's Home, they made a visionary gift that has become the seed of the first Joseph's Home endowment fund. The Sister Joan Gallagher Endowment Fund celebrates the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine's enduring legacy of responsive ministry and service to those in need, as well as Sr. Joan's leadership. Christine Horne, Joseph's Home current executive director observed, "As I sat in the meeting when the Weavers came into Joseph's House with their generous donation, I was struck by how their sentiment of being inspired by Sr. Joan mirrors mine. Sr. Joan has not

stopped her work in this ministry. Her love, prayers and support continue in a very active way."

The board of directors, staff, residents and alumni of Joseph's Home extend our sincere gratitude to Richard and Jeanne Weaver for their astounding generosity toward the neediest members of the Cleveland community. We are also asking our other friends and benefactors to join us in growing the endowment with the goal of reaching \$1 million. The endowment fund will provide annual income in perpetuity to support ongoing operations and ensure that we can continue to serve the homeless individuals who have become part of the Joseph's Home family. ♦

"I am deeply grateful to Richard and Jeanne Weaver; their gift will support our healing mission in the long term."

— Sr. Joan Gallagher, CSA

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Financial supporters weren't the only ones who touched the lives of Joseph's Home residents in 2018. We want to also thank and recognize these partners for their contributions of goods and services, and/or hours and energy spent volunteering, collaborating or advocating on behalf of Joseph's Home and our residents.

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INDIVIDUALS

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Ms. Yolanda M. Aiello
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Mr. and Mrs. James E. Behling
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Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP employees enjoying their outdoor volunteer project.

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT:

THE MOST AUTHENTIC VOICE ON THE TEAM

Peer Recovery Supporter, Will, Certified through the State of Ohio

It's said that the best way to get to know someone is to "walk a mile in their shoes." For Certified Peer Recovery Supporter Will, this isn't just a saying to live by, but his passion.

Will struggled with addiction for many years. In 2006 he made the decision to seek treatment and hasn't turned back since. In recovery, Will has dedicated his work to helping others who face similar struggles: homelessness, addiction, mental health issues and more. Will joined the Joseph's Home team in 2011 as a resident support associate but was promoted to peer recovery supporter in 2018.

"When God has turned your life around and seen you out of struggle, as a peer recovery supporter you can help to be a light in the darkness for those needing support." — WILL

When asked what he does to support the residents and alumni of Joseph's Home, the answer is simple: "Whatever I can do to support them." Will helps the men in residence at Joseph's Home by meeting with them on a weekly basis to discuss their experiences and challenges. His voice is heard by residents because they know he has been in their shoes and that he has faced the same challenges they face. Will hosts group sessions with the men and transports them during housing searches. Will also goes out into the community to follow up



Will, Joseph's Home peer recovery supporter, works directly with residents and alumni to help them on their journey to recovery.

with alumni to check on their medical and housing stability, offer any type of support they may need, and to serve as an advocate and confidant for them.

In reality, many of the men Will supports are facing several barriers: illness, homelessness, addiction, behavioral health issues, criminal records and more. In order to effectively help each resident, Will emphasizes the importance of sharing his story and building rapport quickly. It is through relationship building that Joseph's Home best supports residents.

"Will truly inspires me. I am so impressed in his ability to survive addiction and homelessness and to purposely direct his talents and skills toward men who are going through what he faced. He extends a hand in partnership through life's most difficult challenges with a firm belief that one can recover. I thank him for his willingness to share his story with our residents and alumni and I am honored to have Will on the Joseph's Home team," said Executive Director Christine Horne.

Will enjoys working hands on with the residents and alumni, serving as a role model. "The best part of my job is experiencing the men's successes," said Will. "I believe Joseph's Home is like an oasis in the desert for our men. They walk in and can't believe it's here. I'm glad to be a part of this." Will's journey to recovery inspires the residents to keep going—showing them that if he can do it, so can they. ♦



WE HEARD YOU! AND WE ARE ALWAYS LISTENING!

Thank you to those who lent a hand by completing their 2019 Supporter Connection Survey! Your feedback, in addition to feedback from other internal and external stakeholders, has been incredibly helpful during our strategic planning process and will continue to inform our board of directors into the future.

As a supporter of Joseph's Home, your voice is invaluable to us! We invite you to continue sharing your feedback so that we can better communicate with you and steward your generous gifts throughout the year.

To share your feedback, contact Development Manager Madeline Wallace at 216.987.9201 or mwallace@josephshome.com.

“By providing a place and time that promotes healing and self-care, Joseph’s Home stops the revolving door of ER visits and hospitalizations and sometimes even homelessness—and this benefits all of us!”

“We’re so very thankful for your ministry in the city—our prayers are with you and the residents every day!”

“You fill an overlooked and difficult niche taking care of body, mind and spirit.”



NEW TEAM MEMBER

Melinda Davis recently joined Joseph’s Home as a certified peer recovery supporter. Melinda brings a specialty in mental health recovery. Welcome to the team, Melinda!

“I have enjoyed working with some of our residents so far! We have been able to establish trust and I already feel like we are making great progress together!” – Melinda

NEWS BRIEFS & EVENTS



St. Joseph's feast day Mass and reception took place at St. Vincent Charity Medical Center.

Celebrating the Feast of St. Joseph

Joseph's Home hosted its annual celebration of the Feast of St. Joseph March 19. More than 40 Joseph's Home board members, friends and staff came together at St. Vincent Charity Medical Center to celebrate with a Mass and reception in honor of our patron saint. This year's Mass also featured relics of Saint Padre Pio and was celebrated in memory of Andy Herbcha. Andy was an alumnus of Joseph's Home and volunteered at the annual Feast of St. Joseph celebration for several years. Many thanks to Fr. Peter Kovacina, parochial vicar, St. Anthony of Padua (Parma) for officiating Mass, Cindy Russo for sharing the relics of Saint Padre Pio, and all who attended. ♦

Save the date: June 19

PERSEVERANCE IN HOPE: THE 2019 JOSEPH'S HOME BENEFIT LUNCHEON



Perseverance in Hope: The Annual Joseph's Home Benefit Luncheon is Wednesday, June 19, at Windows on the River.

We are thrilled to present The Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez, Bishop of Cleveland, as the keynote speaker and to welcome back Dan Moulthrop, CEO of The City Club of Cleveland, as emcee. The luncheon will celebrate the remarkable healing and achievements of the acutely ill

homeless men who have stabilized their health and transformed

their lives at Joseph's Home. Funds raised will help provide medical respite care for these men while they are at Joseph's Home and follow up care they receive out in the community to maintain medical and housing stability.

Sponsorships and tickets are available. Visit josephshome.com/events/luncheon for more information or to reserve your place today. Contact Development Manager Madeline Wallace at 216.987.9201 or mwallace@josephshome.com if you or your company would like to receive sponsorship information.



Take a sneak peak at our silent auction items.

Online bidding will begin on June 1. Don't miss your chance to win some great silent auctions items, even if you are not able to attend the luncheon. You can bid by visiting:

www.accelevents.com/e/JHLuncheon2019

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