Help Make Home Possible for seniors and people with disabilities in need of affordable housing.
When you support our work, you embrace living.

Throughout Embrace Living Charities’ 125-year history, we’ve believed that every senior and person with a disability should be able to live a healthy and safe life as they age, regardless of their race, sex, color, age, religion, disability, national origin, ancestry, parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, military status and source of income.

From the generous support of donors, Embrace Living Charities helps provide homes and social support to more than 2,500 seniors and people with disabilities that have been most disadvantaged and are facing housing insecurity. The philanthropic entity enables Embrace Living Communities’ team members to go beyond meeting basic needs by encouraging residents to foster peer relationships and obtaining resources for food assistance, health services and wellness care. Anything that is needed to help residents live with dignity in a comfortable and loving community as they age is a priority for Embrace Living Charities’ support.

YOUR GIFTS ENABLE US TO INVEST IN OUR RESIDENTS’ WELLBEING
Over the last decade, gifts to Embrace Living Charities have enabled the support of residents and greater communities in enriching ways.

- Over $250,000 raised for wellness initiatives across communities, including new exercise equipment and programming opportunities.
- $1,200,000 raised, and counting, for environmental sustainability improvements at communities, including solar panels at two community locations.
- New trainings and continued education opportunities for more than 150 community-based team members.

Our Principles Guide Our Initiatives and Further Our Mission
Embrace Living Charities’ funding initiatives are guided by three principles.

**EMPOWER ACTION**
Help residents live their lives fully and positively impact others by providing access to opportunities that offer self-enrichment, mission and good stewardship to the community around them.

**AMPLIFY A UNITED VOICE**
Be a powerful voice supporting aging adults’ rights to housing and enabling others to join the campaign.

**NUTURE LIVING WELL**
Foster on-site wellness programs delivered in partnerships with neighboring experts and internal resources so residents can live better and with more enriching experiences.
Embrace the impact you can make for our residents and world.

SERVING RESIDENTS
Communities That Live Well Programs: Provide finances that help close gaps common in governmental funding channels for partner-driven health services and programs, exercise equipment and capital improvements that further resident health and wellness.

  - **Exercise equipment**: purchasing new and replacement exercise equipment for community areas, accessible to residents 24/7.
  - **Wellness and mental health program**: funding to facilitate community partnerships with organizations that have expertise in individual and group wellness courses and programs. Funds also help cover costs for on-site resident activities that promote socialization and increased mental health such as games and craft materials.
  - **Visiting health clinic resources**: in partnership with Advocate Aurora Health and other local health systems, funding for personal protective equipment, medical supplies and operational costs to provide seasonal health clinics at select Embrace Living Communities.
  - **Continued education opportunities**: funding to help residents cover subscription and other administrative costs associated with third-party education or personal interest classes.
  - **Technology for Senior Connection**: A program that provides residents an opportunity to explore and grow their understanding of ways to connect with loved ones online. The program also funds new technology equipment needs for a community’s computer center, like software programs, cameras and microphones, tablets and computers.
  - **Environmental Stewardship Education**: Opportunities for a guided course that helps residents further understand their impact on the health of the environment we all share. The course would provide practical ways residents can become the best possible stewards of the environment while living in an Embrace Living Community.

**Residents in the Community Volunteer Program**: Provides funding to support administrative and transportation costs so residents can volunteer in the community at causes meaningful to them.

BUILDING GREATER COMMUNITIES

Community Expansion and Environmental Sustainability Projects: Provides funding to capital investments related to community improvements and property expansion. Energy-efficient improvements were already implemented based on the Green Retrofit Grant that was awarded to two of the Embrace Living Communities.

  - **On-Site Social Service Coordinator Program**: A majority of Embrace Living Communities have a full-time social service coordinator on-site to help residents connect to needed community resources, like medical offices, food programs, insurance and government aid programs, religious groups and more. Embrace Charities partners and donated funds will support us as we develop and enhance existing and new programs.

  - **Affordable Housing Advocacy**: In partnership with Leading Age and the Council for Health and Human Service Ministries, Embrace Living Communities’ administrative team and local managers participate in various regional and national affordable housing advocacy events.

“**It’s a second home. I was looking for something that would remind me of a certain individual, or a certain place that I called home.”**

– KEN, RESIDENT IN CHICAGO COMMUNITY

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**SHORTAGE OF SUBSIDIZED AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS:**
7.4 MILLION

45% of seniors will not have enough money to maintain their homes in retirement

22% say their health needs go unmet

Our mission is needed more than ever.
Seniors and people with disabilities in the US are facing financial and social service support insecurities at an alarming rate.

Embrace the impact you can make for our residents and world.
Affordable housing affects almost everyone and every family. If it’s not a need for today, it will most likely be a need for tomorrow. Here are ways you can help provide quality housing and social support to seniors and people with disabilities most in need for the years to come.

**One-Time and Recurring Giving**
Make a one-time or recurring monthly contribution to Embrace Living Charities. These gifts can be made via EFT, credit or debit card. Monthly giving allows for manageable contributions over time that make a significant impact to Embrace Living Communities. To get started, visit [www.embraceliving.org/give](http://www.embraceliving.org/give).

**Legacy Giving and Bequests**
Create a legacy giving plan or a bequest as part of an estate plan to provide long-term financial support. Certain estate tax benefits can apply, so contact an estate tax professional before making a gift.

**Annuities and Marketable Securities**
Give a charitable annuity or marketable security by entering in partnership with Embrace Living Charities. Donors can receive federal income tax deductions equal to the fair market value of the stock on the date of the gift and will avoid tax on the capital gain.

**Real Estate and Personal Property**
Gift real and tangible personal property (furniture, books, instruments, jewelry, art work and cars). Property may be accepted based on the outcome of an analysis, including physical condition, likelihood of an immediate sale and current market value, among other factors.

**Corporate Donations**
Corporate foundations can make a significant impact on the long-term success of our communities. In partnership, Embrace Living Charities will work with organizations to accommodate specific requests related to a gift, helping to create the largest impact possible.

**Contact us to learn more.**
To discuss giving options or make a contribution by phone or email, please contact Anne Oliva, Chief Financial Officer at aoliva@embraceliving.org or (630) 521-8701.

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“*It’s a good place, and very good for elderly people who are able to take care of themselves. Elderly people need a community life.*”

— XAUN,_RESIDENT IN CHICAGO SUBURB COMMUNITY
ABOUT EMBRACE LIVING COMMUNITIES

In 1895, Embrace Living Communities started as the German Evangelical Orphanage and Old Peoples Home of Northern Illinois. Later, the organization became Bensenville Home Society, Lifelink Corporation followed by Consecra Housing Network. We have experienced change through our long history, but our mission has remained: To support seniors and people with disabilities by helping them age with dignity in welcoming communities that embrace living.

IMPACTING

2,500+
RESIDENTS DAILY

ILLINOIS
Chicago Area
Rockford
C.A.S.L. Senior Housing
Castle Towers
Greencastle of Allerton
Greencastle of Barrington
Greencastle of Bienterra
Greencastle of Elmhurst
Greencastle of Englewood
Greencastle of Garfield I
Greencastle of Garfield II
Greencastle of Kenwood
Greencastle of Loves Park
Greencastle of Morgan Park & Beverly
Greencastle of Mulford
Greencastle of North Aurora
Greencastle of Palatine
Greencastle of Sterling
Greencastle of Woodlawn I
Greencastle of Woodlawn II
Immanuel Residences
North Orchard Place
Orchard Place of Englewood
Orchard Place of Morgan Park & Beverly
Patten House of Glenview
Peace Memorial Manor
Prairie View Villas

MISSOURI
Kansas City
Bethel Greencastle North
Bethel Greencastle South

FLORIDA
Tampa + Sarasota
Apostles Village
Orchard Place of Sarasota
Greencastle at Bayonet Point

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