



ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

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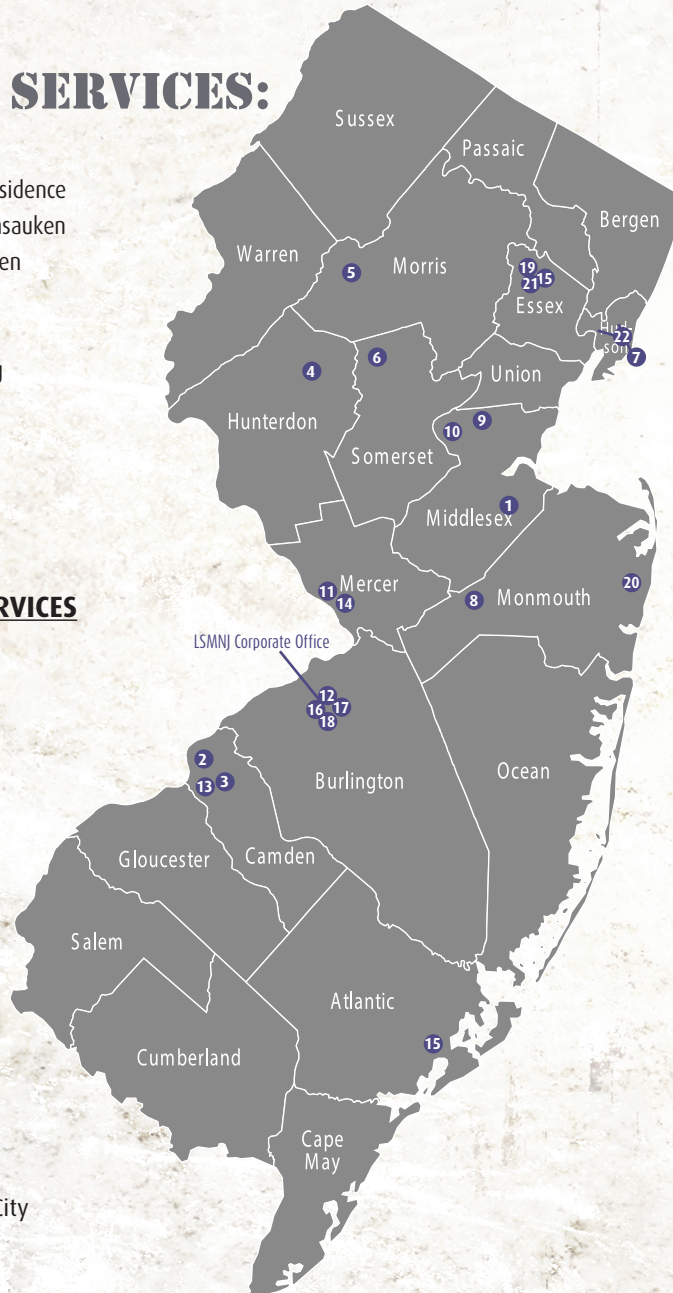


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THOSE WE SERVED IN 2020

LSMNJ served **2,572** people and
outreached to **2,369** individuals
as part of the many programs and
services it provides across the state.



Affordable Housing for
Seniors and Families:
1,045 people served

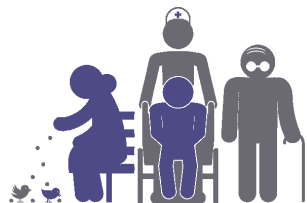


H.E.R.O. program:
142 people
served



Immigration Legal Services:
333 people served

Mental Health Needs:
8 people served



Senior Healthcare and
Retirement Living:
835 people served



SpiriCare at Home:
51 people served

Journey Hospice:
158 people served



...From Our President and CEO

Once again, I greet you during an ever-changing state of fluidity and challenges. The past year has led us down new paths and challenged us in ways we have never been challenged before. However, through resiliency and teamwork, we continue to overcome these challenges.

There have been many days that have presented us with obstacles that have shaken us and loss of life that has rattled us. But, as an LSMNJ family, we have faced each obstacle head on and have come together to mourn with one another. I could not be more personally proud of our team and how each employee has responded to the pandemic. Whether we are providing senior healthcare, hospice care, affordable housing, or legal services to immigrants, our highest priority has always been protecting those we serve.

One of our milestone moments came at the beginning of 2021, when we were able to administer the COVID-19 vaccine to our residents, participants, and staff. I recall, seeing firsthand, how eager and excited our senior care and senior housing residents were to receive the vaccine. It was almost a celebratory feeling they expressed as they emerged from isolation, out of their homes. I soon realized the importance of this moment – as if a turning point – not just in the fight against the pandemic, but also for the

well-being of our seniors and staff, alike. And although the fight was not over, it seemed as if the clouds parted and the sun started to shine again.

We may not know what the remainder of the year holds for us, but we are confident that we will continue to overcome its challenges. We continue to conduct weekly pandemic team calls and are constantly monitoring the state's COVID-19 Activity Level Report as well as Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations.

Through our many programs and services, we are grateful to be able to care for more than 2,500 people across the state. We are reminded each day of how vital the work we do is; and I hope the stories we share in this year's report give you a deeper sense of our commitment to our mission and our dedication to caring for each person we serve.



Colleen P. Frankenfield

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President and Chief Executive Officer, LSMNJ

HOSPICE CARE WITH HEART

The Right Care at the Right Time

Ceil Reilly is an honorary member of the Journey Hospice family. A retired third-grade teacher, who concluded her career mentoring new teachers she had taught when they were in the third grade, Ceil is a breast cancer survivor who loves the beach and her family.

She and Dan married in 1977 and had a son, Keith, who lost his life in a bicycle accident when he was 14. This tragedy, always in their memories, didn't break their spirits. Before Dan retired, he spent his career as a firefighter, re-

peatedly putting his life at risk to help others; in his off-hours, he enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle. When Dan became ill, life once again changed for the couple.

Dan lived with his illness for several years. As it progressed, he spent time in a rehabilitation center. When he was ready to go home, the administrator suggested to Ceil that it would be beneficial to obtain hospice care for Dan, and she gave her two brochures.

Just hearing the word "hospice" frightened Ceil, as she assumed it meant

Dan was about to die. Taking deep breaths, she read over the brochures and decided to call Journey Hospice to engage their services.

Worried that the COVID-19 pandemic might affect their ability to provide care, Ceil was surprised by how quickly Journey Hospice entered their lives and turned out to be precisely what they both needed.

Before Dan arrived home from the hospital, the Journey team met with Ceil at home and prepared a bed for him. Unfortunately, later that first night, one of

“Because of Journey Hospice, Dan and I were able to make the most of our time together.”

Dan's tubes came out. Ceil wasn't sure what to do or how to do it, so she called the hospice nurse who came to

VETERAN TO VETERAN VOLUNTEERING



Journey Hospice is searching for veterans (both men and women of any branch of service) to volunteer and serve fellow veterans as they face their end-of-life journey. If you enjoy spending time sharing experiences with fellow veterans, speaking about historical events,

participating in veteran-related recognition, or assisting veterans' families with information and support, please reach out to us.

All volunteers receive training by Journey Hospice to ensure they are familiar with each patient's needs and interests. This allows volunteers to find common interests that provide meaningful interactions and inspire relevant conversations with patients and their loved ones.

Veteran volunteers at Journey Hospice provide assistance by:

- Visiting or calling patients to reminisce and share stories, experiences, and photos.
- Reading, listening to music or playing cards with patients.
- Sharing information with families regarding veteran benefits and ceremonial traditions.
- Helping to replace lost military medals by contacting appropriate agencies.



their house at 10:00 p.m. to show Ceil how to reinsert the tube.

This high level of compassionate care continued throughout Dan's remaining days. Because he was being cared for at home, Dan could have visits from his brother and a few friends, moments that he cherished.

In a happy coincidence, Dan's nurse, Denise, bonded with him over the joy of riding motorcycles, an activity that she enjoyed doing with her husband. As Dan's health declined, Denise ex-

plained to Ceil that people often wait until an important date before letting go. Dan passed away from bladder cancer on his late son's birthday.

Because Dan died during the pandemic, not many people could attend his funeral. However, after checking with Ceil, Denise arranged to have her husband's motorcycle club escort Dan's casket from the funeral to the cemetery. Several members of the club also served as pallbearers. It was a touching tribute to Dan and demonstrated to Ceil how the team at Journey was truly

Journey Hospice's veteran patients appreciate the camaraderie of those who have shared similar experiences, even if they served during a different time or location. It fills patients with a sense of pride and a feeling of comfort and calmness – thus enhancing their quality of life.

Being a veteran volunteer can be very rewarding and provide a deeper sense of community.

Journey Hospice serves patients in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Salem and Essex counties, as well as parts of Morris County. Veterans interested in volunteering can call (609) 380-4302 or visit www.journeyhospicenj.org for more information.



Ceil Reilly holds a photo of her husband, Dan, who was a patient of Journey Hospice.

there for them every step of the way.

"Before Dan's illness, I didn't have a good understanding of what it meant for someone to receive hospice care," said Ceil. "Now, I'm a believer. Because of Journey Hospice, Dan and I were able to make the most of our time together. Dan felt loved and at peace, and I felt like I had a tremendous support network of people who genuinely cared."

According to an American Cancer Society article, studies show hospice care often is not started soon enough. The team at Journey Hospice can help assess what care is needed and when it is the right time to bring on hospice care.

The staff at Journey Hospice works hard to ensure that every person's life journey is allowed to end with dignity, compassion, and comfort.

CARING IN A CRISIS

Chaplains Reflect on the COVID-19 Pandemic

While headlines over the past year and a half have focused on COVID-19's threat to physical health, the pastors who work with Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey understand that a person's spiritual health is just as critical, especially during these trying times. Our pastors have provided essential support to participants and residents throughout all of LSMNJ's programs.

To capture their perspectives on the challenges of providing care during the coronavirus pandemic, we asked pastors **Glenn Bosclair**, **Rick Vossler**, **Carol Hutchison**, and **Nancy Truscott** to reflect on the ups and downs of their ministries throughout 2020. As Pastor Glenn Boisclair, chaplain at Lutheran Senior LIFE PACE program in Jersey City, explains, "If I had to choose three words to describe the plight of our seniors (and perhaps the rest of us), those words would be 'heartfelt, heartwarming, and heartbreaking.'"

The heartbreaking difficulties of this past year often come to mind first. The pandemic has led to a tragic increase in loss of life. Losing people you care for is never easy, but the circumstances of the deadly virus have made these losses even more unbearable. Pastor Rick Vossler shared a sobering experience

he had at the Villa at Florham Park, "Walking into the chapel past the table that often held a display of information on the saints when it was their feast day, I realized that the Sister who took care of the display is now in heaven."

Distance and isolation were a constant struggle while visitation and gatherings were restricted to combat the coronavirus. Sentiments like, "When can we come back to the center?" and "We feel so isolated and alone!" can all be summed up by a common desire among participants and families alike: "We wish this COVID pandemic was over!"

But people are resilient, and LSMNJ pastors have found creative ways to serve "virtually." With physical visits limited, phone calls, FaceTime chats, and Zoom gatherings have filled the gap to keep communities together.

"I began calling people on the phone each day to see how they were doing and if they needed anything," says Pastor Glenn. "Most of the answers were extremely heartfelt! They felt blessed. They were safe, they were

COVID-free, they had food and water, they had their medicines, and they had a warm place to sleep at night. Those thoughts coming from so many people made me realize what is important for life and daily living."

For Pastor Rick, the most touching moment of 2020 was "finally figuring out a way to be able to bring daily worship services to people, even if it was a daily YouTube video from a church in Canada."

Pastor Carol Hutchison, who serves hospice and palliative care patients and provides bereavement support for families of Journey Hospice, has many touching stories of the power of communication, even at a distance. "Since there are visit restrictions at facilities," Pastor Carol reflects, "I placed a

phone call to a patient's room. I knew she couldn't speak to me, as she is non-verbal, so I introduced myself and played Christian hymns which I knew she loved. Suddenly she said 'yeah' as clear as could be! Being present and listening are the best gifts I can provide patients and their families."

As Pastor Nancy Truscott at Crane's Mill puts it, "Joy in the midst of the pandemic is finding ways to connect with our residents and staff." Though COVID-19 had the potential to rupture the continuing care community, they,



Pastor Glenn Bosclair visits Lutheran Senior LIFE PACE program participants in their homes.

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instead, pulled together during the crisis. "I certainly appreciate the way many of the residents came together, early on, to help make masks when we were making sure everyone had one,"



Crane's Mill Chaplain, Nancy Truscott, preaches to the continuing care community's senior care residents.

Pastor Nancy remembers. "We were able to hand deliver masks for every resident and have more on hand for visitors or anyone else on the campus who needed one."

"Attempting to be a voice of hope in the midst of fear and uncertainty is the unique spiritual guidance chaplains have to offer," Pastor Nancy reminds us. "Truthfully, I would not want to be anywhere else during these very unusual and unsettling times. We cannot get through these times without God's grace and guidance."

As Pastor Glenn says, "The words of support from staff members and participants prove to me how much our Lord

is at work in the lives of people today. The COVID virus has shaken up our lives, but it has not destroyed our faith and Jesus' reminder that we are all brothers and sisters of one human family."

Though 2020 was extremely difficult, the power of prayer heals. Whether by leading Zoom worship, reaching out to check in, or simply providing a socially distanced shoulder to lean on, the pastors of LSMNJ have adapted to the uncertainty of the pandemic. Each has expressed how grateful they are to serve LSMNJ's residents, participants, and clients and to provide spiritual and emotional support to their families and LSMNJ team members.



Pastor Rick Vossler delivers Sunday worship live through The Villa at Florham Park's internal television network, which was displayed in each resident's room.

PEACE OF MIND AT A TOUCH

GrandPad® Tablets Assist Seniors at Lutheran Senior LIFE

Though the COVID-19 pandemic has disproportionately affected the senior citizen community, Lutheran Senior LIFE at Jersey City PACE Program has risen to the challenge of providing outstanding care to these most vulnerable members of our society. Lutheran Senior LIFE's Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), continues to provide comprehensive healthcare and social services for seniors in Hudson County in spite of the coronavirus.

When COVID-19 cases began to rise, Lutheran Senior LIFE PACE Program moved to 100 percent home-based care. From nurse calls and prescription deliveries to meal preparation and pastor visits, Lutheran Senior LIFE PACE Program now brings everything directly into seniors' homes.

One tool that enables Lutheran Senior LIFE's care team to continue offering the highest level of care and service is the GrandPad®, a custom-built eight-inch tablet designed to simplify digital connections for senior citizens.



GrandPad Tablets are convenient and easy for seniors to use.

GrandPad provides an extra level of peace of mind for families and caregivers by bringing manageable telehealth technology right to seniors' fingertips. Its intuitive design and ease of use make communication a breeze. With a touch of a button, seniors can see and talk to staff members, creating a virtual connection.

Designed by the developers at GrandPad.net with the mission to "improve the lives of millions of seniors by reconnecting them with their families, friends, and caregivers," GrandPad concentrates the power of a tablet into a useful form that immediately connects Lutheran Senior LIFE PACE participants with the program's care team and other trusted contacts.

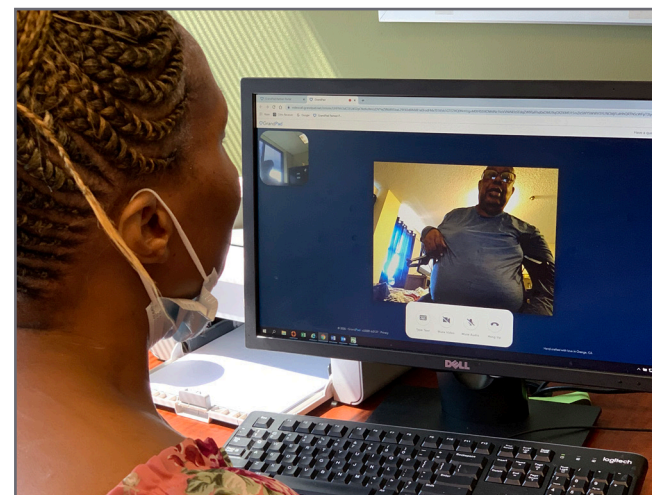
The company's on-staff gerontologist ensures that GrandPad's features are based on cutting edge research. GrandPad is simpler than most technologies, since the entire user experience has been designed with seniors in mind.

Features of the GrandPad include video calling, photo sharing,

email, and games, all in a soft but strong protective case, and without the extra steps that can make traditional tablets so confusing for the elderly.

The handy stylus and front-facing speakers facilitate seamless navigation and provide superior sound quality. Even charging the device is easy, since it includes a charging cradle that eliminates fiddling with pesky wires. The technology is routinely vetted by a team of 'Grand Advisors' (seniors), who test GrandPad in real world situations to make sure it meets the highest quality criteria.

Medical and social accessibility is the primary focus of GrandPad at Lutheran Senior LIFE PACE Program. With all participants receiving in-home care, GrandPad allows caregivers to check in easily on them at any time of the day or night, without having to be physically present. Nurses and social workers use GrandPad to make their



A Lutheran Senior LIFE social worker interacts with a LIFE participant through the GrandPad Tablet.

virtual rounds every day. The device also allows senior users to contact medical professionals with one touch for even more peace of mind.

In addition to the health benefits of having round-the-clock virtual access to caregivers, GrandPad offers PACE Program participants the opportunity to enjoy much-needed social interaction. Many seniors have been isolated from their families and friends. GrandPad allows its users to quickly interact face-to-face with a real live person on their screen, combatting the loneliness and depression that can set in when stuck at home.

The only people who have access to contact a GrandPad user are those people who have been added to their "Circle of Trust" contact list. This not only prevents the possibility of junk calls and telephone scams, but also leads to increased social interaction since users answer more calls, knowing they come from a trusted source. This added level of security is a comfort to GrandPad users and their families, who



Participants find comfort in knowing they can easily reach a Lutheran Senior LIFE staff member when they need them.

can stay in touch by accessing the free GrandPad smartphone app. GrandPad has helped Lutheran Senior LIFE PACE Program participants cope with the isolation of the COVID-19 pandemic while allowing their caregivers to provide continuous virtual health services. Lutheran Senior LIFE PACE Program uses the GrandPad to share important educational information with users and have even used the technol-

ogy for the Pastor to conduct virtual prayer services.

The embrace of innovative tools and technology, including the GrandPad, is just one of many reasons why families choose Lutheran Senior LIFE to provide care to their loved ones.



**LSMNJ IS
EDUCATED.
MOTIVATED.
VACCINATED.**

As soon as news of a COVID-19 vaccine broke, LSMNJ was on the forefront of planning its vaccination distribution, statewide. The leadership team immediately requested a percentage of vaccine doses to provide to its staff and its more than 1,500 senior residents.

By partnering with Walgreens and CVS pharmacies, LSMNJ coordinated several vaccination sites across

NJ, and began educating staff, residents, and their families in an effort to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. Nearly all of the clinics were held inside each community's building -- making it easy and safe for residents to get their vaccine.

To date, almost all residents and program participants have been vaccinated at one of LSMNJ's vaccine clinics. The leadership team



has been pleased with the response, as it was an important step in protecting the vulnerable populations that LSMNJ serves.

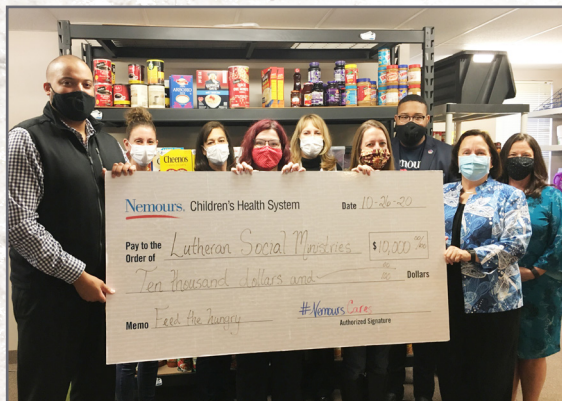
NEWS & NOTES

Journey Hospice Receives Hospice Quality Reporting Program (HQRP) Recognition

Journey Hospice has been recognized as a Hospice provider that successfully met the Hospice Quality Reporting Program's (HQRP) data reporting requirements by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). This recognition applauds Hospice providers for their vigilant attention to compliance and documentation. Journey has offices located in both North and South Jersey and is a participant in Medicare, Medicaid and many private insurances.

Nemours Gives \$10,000 to Support H.E.R.O. Program in Camden

Nemours Children's Health System, located in Wilmington, Delaware, donated \$10,000 to the **H.E.R.O. program** in Camden, to further its mission.



Members of Nemours Children's Health System present check to benefit the H.E.R.O. Program.

In addition to their donation, volunteer staff of Nemours spent time restocking the food pantry shelves at LSM of Camden.

Each year, through Nemours Cares, the healthcare system creates opportunities for their associates to fulfill the vision of its founder, Mr. Alfred I. DuPont, to step outside the walls of its hospitals and clinics and go into the community and serve. Nemours Cares gives associates the opportunity to engage in the community by volunteering with their colleagues – focusing on the greatest needs in their communities.

Michelle L. Burroughs, EdD, MBA, director, community engagement at Nemours, shares, "For too long, our children have suffered from food insecurity. This has only been intensified by the pandemic. Good nutrition is critical for health and well-being. With this sponsorship, we are supporting the delivery of wholesome meals to children and families at Lutheran Social Ministries".

Renovations Progress at Crane's Mill

Though the pandemic limited visitor access to **Crane's Mill Retirement Community**,

renovations were able to resume, and the redesign of its main lobby, café seating area, bar, and entertainment room were completed. Some renovations began in the independent living hallways and lounges, which will continue in 2021. Crane's Mill was proud to earn a GOLD award for the REMODEL/RENOVATION of its Wellness/Aquatic Center from Environments for Aging.

Education Fund Awards Tuition Assistance to LSM of Camden Student

In May of 2020, the LSMNJ Foundation developed an **Education Fund** which allows LSMNJ to fulfill the specific needs of children in our programs – whether it be a backpack, pencils, paper, jump drives, uniforms, tuition assistance or college application fees.

In the Fall, the first recipient of LSMNJ's tuition assistance was awarded. Iyana Jones-Rayford received \$500 to apply towards her tuition.



Iyana Jones-Rayford heads to school with the help of LSMNJ's Education Fund.



Renovations at Crane's Mill included a new deck/patio.

Crane's Mill Earns A.V. Powell Seal

Crane's Mill once again received the AVP Seal from A.V. Powell & Associates. The seal signifies that the community is part of an elite group of communities that meet the firm's standards for satisfactory actuarial balance.

A.V. Powell, a firm specializing in the senior in living industry, presents the seal as a "designation that our firm developed and applies in our actuarial report opinions to indicate that our clients' actuarial results place them in the top tier of our database."



LSMNJ - A Great Place To Work

LSMNJ was recertified as a Great Places To Work® organization.

Journey Hospice Achieves We Honor Veterans Partner Level II Status

Journey Hospice achieved Partner Level II recognition in the We Honor Veterans program. Established by the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization in collaboration with the Department of Veterans Affairs, the program assists in creating Hospice-Veteran Partnerships between VA facilities, community hospices, state hospice organizations, and others working



together to ensure excellent care is available at the end of life for Veterans and their families.

To reach this second tier, Journey Hospice delivered educational programs for veterans and their families, assisted with resources regarding benefits and coordination of care, and honored over two hundred veterans in South Jersey. Journey Hospice is one of 74 hospices in the US, and one of only 6 in New Jersey, to attain the We Honor Veterans Partner Level II.

Colleen Frankenfield Shares Senior Care Best Practices During COVID

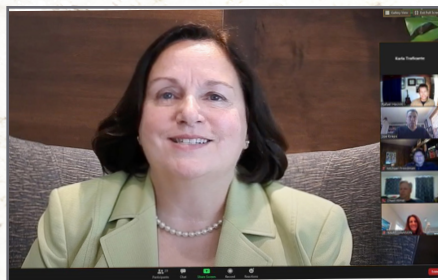
Throughout 2020, Colleen Frankenfield, LSMNJ President and CEO, has ad-

GRANTS & DONATIONS

Grants are funds given by an entity – frequently, a public body, charitable foundation, or a specialized grant-making institution – to an individual or another entity (often a non-profit organization) for a specific purpose linked to public benefit.

In 2020, the LSMNJ Foundation received the following grants and donations:

- AARP Senior Connectedness grant - \$20,500 to enable social contact through technology at Mt. Olive & Pennsauken affordable senior housing
- AARP Foundation delivered 500 boxes of food to various affordable housing properties and Lutheran Senior LIFE
- WSFS Bank - \$5,000 towards COVID Relief
- The David and Marilyn Krupnick Foundation- \$20,880 for Pennsauken senior housing food pantry
- Nemours Children's Health System donation - \$10,000 supporting HERO in Camden for fresh fruit and veggies for the LSM Camden food pantry
- The Plainfield Foundation - \$10,000 for two HVAC units at South Plainfield Senior Residence
- JANSON Communications - \$10,000 for senior connectivity



Colleen Frankenfield leads virtual discussion addressing best practices during COVID.

dressed various senior care industry professionals (virtually) in an effort to share best practices relating to COVID response tactics.

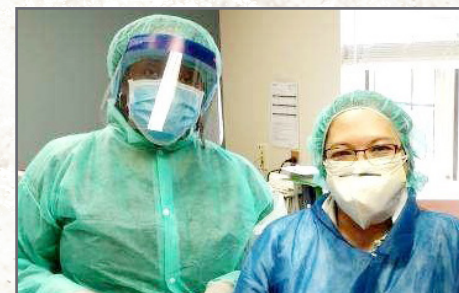
As guest speaker on a Johnson Kendall Johnson (JKJ) Senior Living Virtual Vendor Hour, Colleen shared how LSMNJ has handled its response to COVID and

how her 40 years in the senior care industry, coupled with her nursing background, helped her navigate situations as challenges were unfolding throughout the pandemic.

\$1.4 Million Spent on PPE in 2020

Unforeseen expenses incurred across all of LSMNJ's programs and services during the COVID-19 pandemic crisis were significant, yet imperative. In 2020, LSMNJ spent **\$1.4 million** on PPE (personal protective equipment) as well as on alcohol wipes, thermometers, hand sanitizer liquid, and air scrubbers. However, the importance of providing LSMNJ staff members with proper PPE far outweighed the

costs incurred at the time.



During a 60-day period, LSMNJ would use:

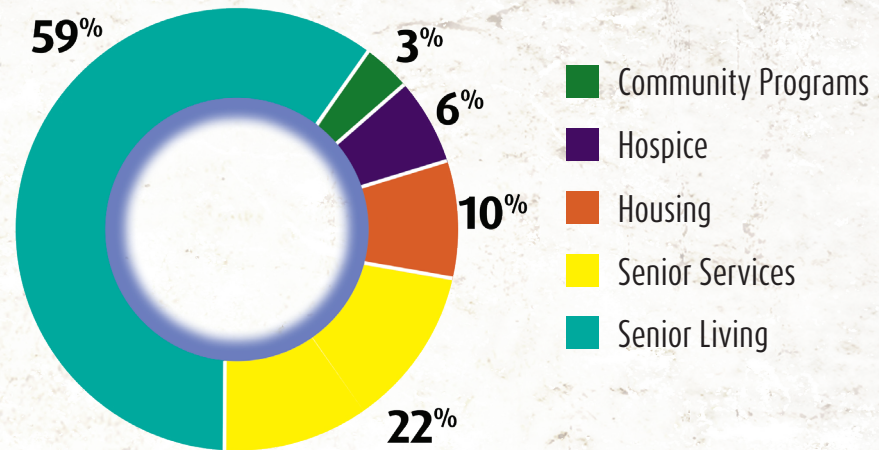
- 10,500 Gowns
- 135,000 Gloves
- 13,980 Surgical Masks
- 6,000 KN95/N95
- 3,900 Face Shields
- 120 Goggles



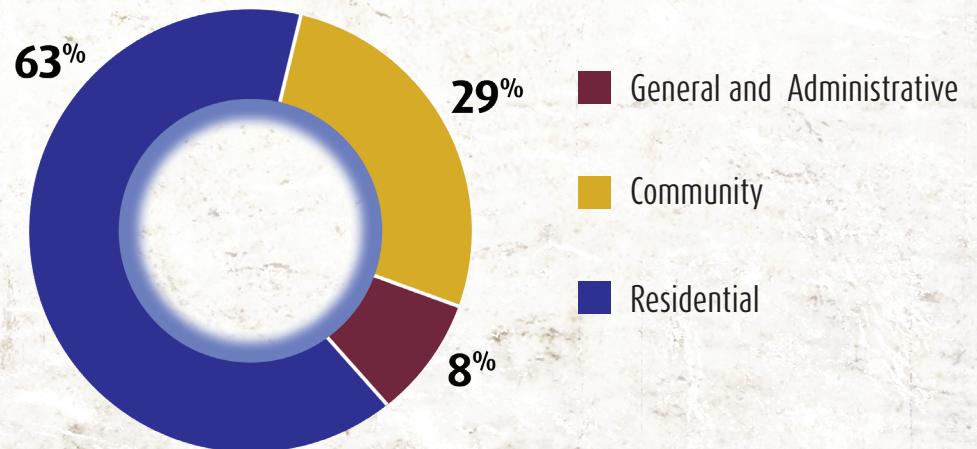
Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey operates as a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization and is governed by a Board of Trustees which includes representatives from the clergy, churches, businesses and other sectors of the community throughout New Jersey. We are committed to the responsible stewardship of all funds and programs. We offer this overview of revenues received and their use in support of our mission from January 1 through December 31, 2020.

FUNDING OUR MISSION:

Total Revenue: \$61.0 Million



Total Expenses: \$67.0 Million





The **Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey Foundation** oversees all philanthropic activities that further the mission of Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey. Through our network of generous donors,

corporate partnerships and grants, we are able to allocate funds raised to supplement our operating revenue – allowing us to sustain and enhance our many programs and services. The role of our Foundation is essential to the many lives who rely on our organization for their health and well-being.

As 2020 proved to be a challenging year for fundraising activities, we were blessed to host our annual **Top Golf** event in-person in March, prior to the onset of the pandemic. As the need for virtual opportunities increased, we held our first-ever virtual **Wine Tasting** in November and virtual **Feet In The Street 5K Run/Walk** in April 2021. In addition, we were grateful to have the continued support of our many holiday giving efforts, including Easter food bags, Thanksgiving food bags, Christmas gifts, food pantry donations, and back-to-school donations.



Last year, the LSMNJ Foundation created a **COVID Relief Fund** in response to the added financial burden for COVID-specific resources throughout many LSMNJ programs. Donations to this fund have been used to offset costs incurred for PPE (personal protective equipment), education and training of staff and residents, as well as provide assistance to seniors in our affordable housing properties in need of groceries and supplies throughout the COVID-19 crisis.

An additional fund created in 2020 was the **LSMNJ Education Fund**. Donations to this designated fund are used to provide financial assistance to low-income housing residents and staff members' children for educational expenses such as traditional school supplies, textbooks, tuition, application costs, and uniforms.

SAVE THE DATE

2021 TopGolf Fundraiser Events



MOUNT LAUREL
SEPT. 15, 2021
6 - 9 PM

EDISON
NOV. 10, 2021
6 - 9 PM

TEE UP with us at TopGolf!

Tickets: \$95/pp

Includes: Topgolf Gameplay,
Use of Golf Clubs, Silent Auction,
Beer, Wine & Food.

Partnership Opportunities Available

For more information or to purchase a ticket or partnership, visit www.lsmnj.org or contact alauck@lsmnj.org / (609) 500-0753.

To make a gift to the Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey Foundation, visit **www.lsmnj.org** and click **DONATE**.

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THANK YOU

TO OUR 2020 DONORS

We gratefully acknowledge the support of individuals, organizations, and congregations who partner with us. Whether it is through financial contributions, in-kind-gifts or their volunteerism, our donors help us successfully continue our mission to serve those in need. We proudly recognize each and every donor from 2020 in this annual report as a way to share our thanks for being our partner in fulfilling God's work.

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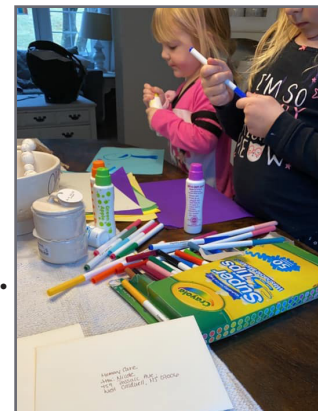
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During the pandemic, LSMNJ partnered with **Felician University** faculty and students in Lodi, NJ, to offer a Pen Pals program. For senior residents interested in participating, Felician volunteers reached out via video and email to share short stories, poems, and daily Lent scriptures. They also shared their campus radio show with our residents. It was a wonderful form of communication for residents who felt isolated and alone. We are so grateful to Felician University faculty and students for their compassion and support.



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