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THE GERMAN HOME

Happy New Year from The German Home! In a typical year, it is easy to point out how good it feels to give—how the simple act of generosity can bring genuine happiness to both giver and receiver. This past year, as we all know, was not a typical year and The German Home needs you more than ever.

The German Home's (TGH) mission is to provide a supervised, supportive and protective living environment for up to 31 ambulatory residents who cannot live alone yet do not require skilled nursing services on a routine basis. We serve some of the most vulnerable individuals in our society—impoverished elders living in Lawrence, Massachusetts, who suffer from both physical disorders and mental health issues.

Our funding is primarily dependent upon the MassHealth Program, Medicaid and other public funds available for our residents' personal expenses. We also receive occasional grant support and private contributions. In general, the TGH's budget is run on public funds which provides care for our residents, however there is little left for routine building maintenance and modernization or activities which would enhance the well-being of our residents. With the advent of Covid-19, our residents have been required to stay within the Home and its grounds. Over the past few years, the administration and residents have established both an outdoor and indoor winter garden at TGH, which helps to provide gardening activities as well as fresh produce for our residents.

In 2021 the TGH would like to expand on the residents' indoor garden and get ready for spring growing season. In addition, the administration would like to complete the goal of refurbishing all bathrooms in the facility by completing work on the residents' 5th bathroom. Our final goal for 2021 is to install a generator to keep the residents safe in the event of a power failure.

A donation of \$1500.00 from the Jeanne D'Arc's Give-A-Click program would help us achieve our goals this coming year, fund much needed refurbishment, and help provide healthy and stimulating activities for our residents. We hope you will consider our organization and we thank you for your support!



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