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SATURDAY, APRIL 17TH, 2027



LOOKING FOR A WAY TO MAKE A LASTING IMPACT?

Consider including Raphael Village in your estate plans. Raphael Village also gratefully accepts gifts of appreciated securities, gifts from donor-advised funds, IRA charitable distributions, and other types of planned gifts, many of which can have attractive tax benefits.

For more information, contact **Jacqueline Case** at jcase@raphaelvillage.org

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'WHERE THERE IS A WILL THERE IS A WAY' by Stacey Olson, Board Member

Some journeys don't have a map. That's the honest truth of building Raphael Village's newest initiative: a life-sharing residential program that has never before been attempted in Louisiana. The Hearth Planning Committee was formed in 2023 to change that — determined to prove that even in a state not always known for caring for those in need, a home built on dignity, interdependence, and belonging is possible.



The path has been one of continuous learning. Every step forward has surfaced new questions, and the work has grown more complex the deeper we go. We now understand that bringing this vision to life will require the state to approve an entirely new Medicaid model — a significant undertaking, and one we are pursuing alongside a consultant whose deep experience in this space has been invaluable to our progress.

As an established Camphill affiliate, we can also tap into their collective experience. They operate over a dozen life sharing

programs in the US and many of our committee members have visited their communities. We have been inspired by their success.

Looking ahead, we will begin identifying families who are interested in the Hearth, and to invite them into the planning. None of this would be possible without the generous support of Baptist Community Ministries, whose grant funding has allowed us to move from idea to a deeper understanding of the project's scope. We are deeply grateful for their partnership. I would also like to acknowledge the leadership of Jackie and Marianne who have contributed their time to the Committee over the last year.

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“The Guild is a nice place to be; I'm able to be myself again and I like working in the coffee shop”

- Sam

TAKING THE STAGE

This spring, Guild members took the stage in three original productions, brought to life with the generous support of the New Orleans Theatre Association.

- *An Afternoon of Fabulous Fables* by Aesop
- *The Wind and the Sun, Mercury and the Woodman, and The Lion and the Mouse (Join the circus)*
- *Dragonflies: a Swampy Story of Transformation*

The skills that Guild members regularly work on in Performing Arts include focus & concentration, picking up cues, stage directions, creativity, vocal projection, movement and having fun. We are grateful for the opportunity to be actively creating performing arts projects for our community and those beyond our Guild!



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From Longing to Belonging



DRAGONFLY NEWS Last year, The Dragonfly Café reached an exciting new milestone through a partnership with the Krewe of Iris, offering a custom king cake to krewe members and café customers. Under the inspired direction of Lead Baker and Café Manager April Whitecotton, king cake sales exceeded 330 — a remarkable achievement that brought well-deserved attention to one of Raphael Village's most beloved social enterprises.



Beyond the impressive numbers, this partnership accomplished something equally important: it deepened our connection to the greater New Orleans community. Every king cake sold introduced new customers to The Dragonfly Café and to the mission it represents —



GOOGLE RATING

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IN THEIR OWN WORDS

This summer, Crescent Bloom Consulting in collaboration with Guild Members presented: **Navigating the World Through Our Eyes: Understanding the Wants and Needs of the Neurodiverse.**

Afterwards a panelist commented, *“Hearing directly from adults with disabilities was valuable and reminded me how important it is to focus on each person's strengths, interests, and independence.”*

Our Board Members

- Foster Nash, President
- David Lane, Vice President
- Sally Fletcheringer, Treasurer
- Jamie Montreuil, Secretary
- Mary Perrin
- Thomas Hennington
- Stacey Olson
- Carol Michel
- Carolyn Monteith
- Stuart Simon
- Margo Lulich-Whiteside



LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

There is a longing in all of us to belong — to be seen, valued, and welcomed exactly as we are. At Raphael Village, that longing is answered every day through the relationships, programs, and community we build together.

Each year, we pause to reflect on the previous fiscal year — to express gratitude for all that was accomplished, and for every friend and supporter who makes our mission possible. While there are many uncertainties in the world today, one thing we can always count on is the generosity of those who participate and contribute to annual fundraising events and giving campaigns. Fundraising is essential to ensuring we can continue offering excellent programs and services to the most amazing group of individuals — our Guild members and Hive clients. Whether they are engaged here at the Town Center or venturing out into the community, there is no shortage of **belonging** and meaningful engagement. We are fortunate to have received support from foundations such as **Methodist Health Systems Foundation, Eugenie and Joseph Jones Family Foundation, and Baptist Communities Ministries** along with individual donors whose generosity drives our long-term sustainability and allows us to expand our horizons with new programs — helping us realize our vision of co-creating a world where every person belongs, contributes, and lives fully.

This past June, our Board of Directors and staff, guided by Trepwise strategy consultants, took part in a one-day planning



GREETINGS FROM THE GUILD by Marianne Fieber, Guild Director

Members of the Guild engage in so many wonderful activities from practical life skills to creative artistic activities both onsite at the Town Center and out in the wider community on a daily basis. Our vibrant community

of Guild Members engages regularly with the community at large through a variety of outings and special events.

This spring we made our annual trip to Preservation Hall and once again were dancing in the aisles. Many meals were prepared and shared through the New Orleans Community Fridge Project. Bowling at Colonial Lanes, Swimming at NORD pools, shopping and eating at grocery stores and restaurants may be among the favored activities.

The Performing Arts Group shared a “light-filled” story for our Festival of Light, An Afternoon of Fabulous Fables by Aesop and our year end production; Dragonflies a Swampy Story of Transformation was performed on Nims Stage at UNO.

retreat focused on outlining our goals for the next three years. We paused to reconfirm our core values: Inclusion, Compassion, Collaboration, Dedication, and Dignity. Together, these values reflect a simple truth we hold close: every person belongs — and it is through compassion, collaboration, and dedication that we make that belonging real. A key takeaway from the retreat was that Raphael Village has the mission clarity, programming, and dedicated team needed to make meaningful progress in the years ahead — and that realizing this potential depends on building the financial, people, and governance infrastructure to sustain the organization.

Four key initiatives emerged: strengthening our people and culture, growing programs with purpose, deepening our community presence and financial strength, and strengthening our governance and board capacity through a deeper understanding of Camphill principles and values.

I can't wait to see this work put into action in the years ahead, and to see what good may come of it. We also invite you to answer that same longing in your own way — come visit the Town Center and the Dragonfly Café. Stop in for a coffee, take a tour, and see what all the buzz is about!

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Jacqueline Case, Executive Director

FROM LONGING TO BELONGING: A PLACE FOR EVERYONE

Raphael Village is a community where everyone can be seen, welcomed, valued, and safe. Every gift is a building block that provides Dignity, Love, Laughter, and Compassion. With your support, we aim to raise \$125,000 by June 30, 2027 so that we may continue to fulfill our mission and vision.



Belonging happens because of you!
Your generous gift makes the following possible:



Guild Wellness and Recreation: Your gift funds the recreation and wellness activities that keep our Guild members active, connected, and engaged — from bowling and swimming to yoga and museum visits. These experiences bring joy, build community, and support the whole-person well-being that is at the heart of our mission.

Hive Expansion: Your gift is putting a dedicated Career Specialist to work for the adults in our supported employment program, The Hive — helping them find competitive jobs that match their interests, build their confidence, and achieve greater independence.

Vocational Training: Your gift helps fund the vocational training experiences that give our Guild members the skills, confidence, and real-world practice they need to thrive — from our Work Ready Program and volunteer opportunities at local nonprofits, to the bustling kitchen and counter of The Dragonfly Café.



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Serving **52**

Guild members across the Greater New Orleans area.



Serving **28**

Hive clients who are both actively pursuing employment or employed.



Serving **30%**

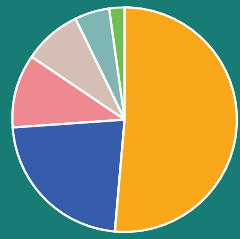
Hive clients who secured competitive employment.



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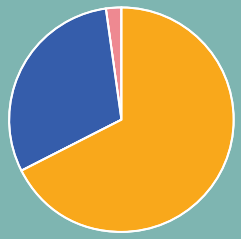
of volunteer hours were contributed by Guild members to local nonprofits.

2025-26 REVENUE



- 51.5% Programming
- 22.4% Annual Giving
- 10.8% Fundraising Events
- 8.3% Other Income (ERTC)
- 5% Grants
- 2% Dragonfly Café

2025-26 EXPENSES



- 67.7% Programming
- 30.1% Administrative
- 2.2% Fundraising

GIVING LEVELS

Sacred Spaces
\$10,000 and above

The Wheel of Fortune
\$5,000 - \$9,999

Bridge Builders
\$2,500 - \$4,999

Programming Partners
\$1,000 - \$2,499

Better Together
\$500 - \$999

The Welcome Wagon
\$1 - \$499

The Wishing Well Monthly Recurring Donation of \$

Reply envelope included as a separate document.



WELCOMING JANINE WALTERHOUSE

Janine, our new *HR and Compliance Coordinator*, brings over 30 years of human resources management experience, including dedicated work within the nonprofit sector. Most recently, she led human resources

at a local nonprofit that protects, empowers, and advocates for individuals with disabilities across the state of Louisiana. She is excited to bring her experience and passion for working with organizations whose core mission is to improve lives in our communities to the Raphael Village team.

HIVE HAPPENINGS by Troi Guilbeaux, Hive Director

Last fiscal year, The Hive experienced tremendous growth, helping individuals take meaningful steps toward greater independence and success in the workplace. Eight individuals obtained employment, with seven maintaining their positions, while our client base grew from approximately 5 to 28 active clients. We also established six employer partnerships with businesses committed to supporting our clients' long-term success through onsite job coaching and individualized employment supports.



One of our most meaningful milestones this year was seeing one individual reach full job stabilization and successfully complete the fading of job coaching services — a true measure of what The Hive is all about. Success for us is not simply getting someone a job; it is helping them maintain employment, build confidence, and become increasingly independent over time.

To support our continued growth, The Hive recently added a full-time Career Specialist, significantly expanding our capacity for job development, employer communication, and employment retention services. We look forward to building on this momentum in the year ahead.



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“Thank you for bridging the gap between school and the real working world. The positive impact you make on the communities by guiding young people is amazing. You just don’t help people get jobs, you help them have a sense of purpose and belief in themselves.”

- Sharon Willis, Hive Parent



HIVE EMPLOYER PARTNERS

- Audubon Clubhouse
- The Commissary
- Dave and Busters
- Metropolitan Human Services District
- Ochsner STEP Program
- Pascal’s Manale

The Hive is grateful to the **six employers who have partnered with us to create meaningful employment opportunities and support the success of the individuals we serve.**

Their willingness to collaborate with our team, provide opportunities, and participate in the employment support process has been an important part of our program’s growth and success.



The true cost of providing the quality programming for each full-time Guild member is **\$24,377 per person, per year**. Private pay program fees and Medicaid reimbursement rates both fall meaningfully short of that number — **leaving a gap that must be filled through fundraising, grants, and the generosity of our community.**

Every dollar we raise goes directly toward keeping our staff supported, our programs thriving, and our doors open. The average cost per participant is \$24,377 per year to operate. **The annual average of the per-participant gap between revenue and cost to operate is \$8,377.**

2025-26 ANNUAL GIVING

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