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A company's mission is usually its headline, the first thing that makes a statement about a company. You often hear me refer to Episcopal Homes' mission to enrich life and build community with older adults as I share information with you about our social programming, health and safety initiatives, training programs and so much more. What I have not discussed as frequently are our values, the body of principles that guide us: Community, Respect, Stewardship, Hospitality, Tradition, and Learning.

These are the DNA of Episcopal Homes. For each value, we developed a definition to bring these values to life. I hope you take a moment to read these https://episcopalhomes.org/about-us/. I am encouraging staff to keep our values top-of-mind as they perform their jobs and work together to enrich our residents lives and build community with all of you.

In gratitude,

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GRATITUDE FOR GIVING

Your generous gifts in 2021 provided meaningful support in the lives of our residents and staff at an incredibly difficult time. We are deeply grateful. The Foundation upholds Episcopal Homes’ six values and adds a seventh – a commitment to promoting diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). You can read about how we live our DEI values at episcopalhomes.org/foundation. In 2021, this commitment was most visible in the Foundation’s support of staff, services and technology to help bridge the digital divide and ensure elders’ access to Covid safety information, telehealth and digital well-being programming. Our values were also visible in our support of staff scholarships to promote career progression and emergency aid. This work is made possible through the active volunteerism of our Foundation board members and contributions from donors like you!

Mary Routhieaux, Chief Advancement Officer, Episcopal Homes | Executive Director, Episcopal Homes Foundation

VOLUNTEER GIFTS OF TIME & HEART

As we begin Volunteer Appreciation Month, it seems fitting to honor a woman who makes a big difference in the lives of so many at Episcopal Homes – Pat Eversman! Pat and her husband, Chuck, have lived at Cornelia House for seven years. During this period, Pat has stepped up to volunteer time and again. Soon after they moved in, the assistant manager for Cornelia House left. To make sure the community dinners that everyone enjoyed weren’t impacted, Pat stepped in and coordinated the dinners with the resident hosts and the culinary team.

Pat Eversman, a champion resident volunteer

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Honoring by Giving

Thank you to all who honored family, friends, and loved ones through a recent memorial or tribute gift. The listings below reflects gifts given from October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

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“Many people of my generation think Graffiti art is nothing more than defacing a building. There is some good art out there – and much of it done by people who are hanging over railroad bridges.”

We want your story to be part of our Tapestry. Look for more information this summer on how to participate.

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During the Covid-19 lockdown, Pat created and put up posters to help out the staff. More recently, Pat has taken on the seemingly tedious task of digitizing a large bookcase full of old three-ring binders of Episcopal Homes’ history. This work has grown into an appreciation for the woman who did so much to establish the organization, Sister Annette Relf. Pat was amazed at the story of Sister Annette and her early fundraising successes.

Pat notes, “going door-to-door for donations takes some courage today, but Sister Annette was doing that before 1900!” One donor, railroad magnate James J. Hill, gave $100 - the equivalent of nearly $3,500 today! Sister Annette used these dollars and some of her own money to buy houses to provide compassionate care for the elderly.

Thanks to Pat, Episcopal Homes’ history has been digitized. She continues to give of her time, talent and treasure like so many of our volunteers who have served over the years. Their generosity contributes to the richness of life for all who live and work at Episcopal Homes.