## **Development News**

## **Challenge Match Deadline Extended**

A generous donor has offered to provide a \$250,000 match to SLC for all matching donations from \$1,000-\$25,000. We have achieved the halfway point, and the challenge match has been extended until September 30th!

Contributions can be made in a variety of ways:

- 1. A pledge of \$84/month for 12 months
- 2. A pledge of \$250/quarterly
- 3. A one-time donation from \$1,000-\$25,000
- 4. Stock or securities
- 5. A qualified minimum distribution from your IRA made directly to SLC which can provide you with additional tax benefits

Please consider making a donation today and help us achieve this significant match!

☐ GIFT DONATIONS FROM \$1,000-\$25,000 WILL BE MATCHED BY A GENEROUS DONOR!

Gift amount \$
(Please complete the rest of the contribution form helow)

Matching Gift Campaign

□ <b>Recurring Donation</b> Make a monthly gift and automatically become a member of the <b>BOSATTA SOCIETY</b> !
My monthly gift amount \$
Would you like to receive a copy of Blessed Clare's biography and a prayer card? ☐ Yes ☐ No Would you like to be recognized on the St. Louis Center website? ☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ I prefer to make a One Time Gift
□ \$30 □ \$60 □ \$100 □ Other Amount \$



## **Benevolent Care**

SLC has always proclaimed the dignity of life of any person, especially of people with I/DD. This proceeds from the heart of St. Louis Guanella, founder of the Servants of Charity, whose vision has inspired more than 60 years of loving service to the most vulnerable people in our community without regard to their economic status.

Depending on the level of care, the cost of services to a person living at SLC ranges from \$4,000 to \$8,000 a month. A social security supplement (SSI/A) covers only room and board, which is about 20% of the total. Some residents do have support from their local Community Mental Health organization and a Medicaid waiver program. Many residents do not qualify for this governmental benefit, and apply instead for a small Personal Care Supplement (less than \$10 per day).

The average daily cost of one adult to live at SLC is \$267. Given the limits of financial support from the government, together with the reality that very few families can afford the total cost of care, SLC strives to offer Benevolent Care to cover the difference. More than half of the total costs must be fundraised to provide a dignified level of care, which includes 24/7 supervision, protection, transportation, meal preparation, medication administration, community involvement, and assistance with other activities of daily life.

Your faithful support is what allows us to continue providing the loving care to God's special children. Thank you!

**Mail** this page to: Development Dept., St. Louis Center, 16195 W. Old U.S. Hwy 12, Chelsea, MI 48118 or **Donate Online** at: http://bit.ly/slcSpiritDonate

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