



St. Louis Center

— 2014 —

ANNUAL REPORT

St. Louis Center is a caring, residential, family living and learning environment providing for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.



2014: A YEAR OF BLESSINGS

Dear Friends of St. Louis Center,

I want to thank you for your involvement, concerns, support, and love for the Center. It is through this love that the Center keeps flourishing and reaching new milestones year after year. The year 2014 has not been less.

Through the grace of God and your support, the Center reached major accomplishments in 2014. The first and foremost to come to fruition was the completion of the renovation of Fr. Guanella Hall for Assisted Living. The dedication was held on June 8, 2014. There were many religious and civic leaders present for the occasion. The building is a celebration of life, especially the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This has brought tears to many eyes.

The Michigan Department of Human Services gave a "Best Practice Leadership Award" to Caitlin Blomquist, recognizing the innovation she has brought to the field of fitness and wellness. This award also acknowledged what the Center has envisioned for the care and well-being of its residents and people with I/DD who live at home in Chelsea and neighboring communities.

St. Louis Center continues to be surrounded by committees comprised of people from many walks of life who plan for the future and raise the funds needed to realize the Center's operational and capital goals.

The blessing upon St. Louis Center comes also from the people who live at the Center. It is because of them that the Center exists. Our staff and volunteers work hard to secure a family atmosphere for those who call St. Louis Center 'home.' The residents receive the love that is due them - as is due any other person - and they return this love with their presence, smiles, and patience. Their joy stems from having close friends in their midst.

The Center continues to look toward the future and find ways to innovate its services. In this way, we are helping to realize what St. John Paul II called "After Us"



Fitness Specialist Caitlin Blomquist (center) receiving her award alongside former Department of Human Services Director Maura Corrigan (left) and former Michigan Senator and Congressman Bruce Caswell (right)

programs that will relieve the anxieties and fears of many parents of children with disabilities who worry about what could potentially happen to their loved ones once they are no longer alive.

This is a brief summary of the many events and activities carried out in 2014. All the milestones reached during this year of blessings give glory to the One who has called us to be partakers of his care for all.

With Sincerest Thanks and God's Blessing,

FATHER ENZO ADDARI, SDC
ST. LOUIS CENTER ADMINISTRATOR



HOW IT BEGAN

St. Louis Center was dedicated in 1960 as the St. Louis School for Exceptional Boys. Cardinal John Francis Dearden recruited the Servants of Charity Congregation from Italy in 1959 to operate this new school for 60 boys with developmental disabilities. St. Louis School began its educational program with four priests, four Holy Family sisters, and five special education teachers.

Michigan's Mandatory Special Education Act of 1971 became law in 1973 and the residents slowly began attending Chelsea Public Schools. St. Louis School became St. Louis Center, entering a new phase of providing residential care and life skills training for its residents. Knights of Columbus Hall and the chapel were built in 1970. St. Joseph Hall was opened in 1984 to provide young men more opportunities to develop their independent living skills. Major renovations of the main building took place in 1987.

Father Guanella Hall was added in 1988 for young adolescents, then repurposed as an adult residence. In 2001, one wing of Fr. Guanella Hall was converted into a women's program called "Our Lady of Providence."

St. Louis Center has evolved over the past 55 years to meet the ever-changing needs of the individuals it serves. The Legacy Project is ensuring that the Center will be here for many years to come. St. Louis Center's future looks to be as beautiful as its past.



2014 MILESTONE: FR. GUANELLA HALL FOR ASSISTED LIVING OPENS

Fr. Guanella Hall for Assisted Living was dedicated on June 8, 2014. The overall beauty of this new home for 20 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities upholds the principle that all human life has value until the very end. The renovation of the existing home expands opportunities for older adults to ‘age in place’ in a setting with numerous universal design features.

Members of the Legacy Campaign Committee raised funds for the renovation from hundreds of private individuals, foundations, and corporations. In-kind donations were also secured. With its light-filled rooms,

soothing color schemes, seamless entryways, and tranquil setting, the home celebrates life and the gift of people of all abilities.

In addition to private rooms and baths, each of the two residences at Fr. Guanella Hall has common spaces that encourage socialization and family visits, including a living room, dining room, den, outdoor patio, gazebo and gardens. A large, open, family-style kitchen/dining room lends itself beautifully to the shared experience of meal preparation and dining. Fr. Guanella Hall is a stunning, warm, dignified home.

ADDRESSING THE NEEDS



Rena McLynn, St. Louis Center on-site nurse

The St. Louis Center nursing team is the fuel that powers the agency. The medical needs of the residents are varied and can be extensive.

One of the on-site nurses is Rena McLynn. She began working full-time for St. Louis Center seven years ago. Rena was drawn to the Catholic tradition as well as the

opportunity to work with individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

She holds an L.P.N. degree from Kellogg Community College and has had further schooling in pharmacology, psychology, and orthopedics. Rena was a nursing supervisor for 14 years in long-term care settings and specialized in working with Alzheimer's and dementia patients.

Rena's job is very involved. On a daily basis, she prepares medications to be distributed to residents; checks

residents when they are ill to determine whether their illness warrants a doctor visit; oversees all medications, side effects, and effectiveness; works with the residents' doctors to determine a medical plan that is most effective with the least amount of medications; and works with the interdisciplinary team at St. Louis Center to review residents' behaviors, medications and progress in their quality of life.

The Nursing Department relies on the direct care staff to ensure that residents are receiving appropriate medical attention. "The staff here is wonderful. Our direct care workers really love our residents and become a family with them," said Rena. "I believe God gave us these residents to teach us - they are angels on earth."

A memorable moment for Rena at St. Louis Center occurred with an especially challenging teen with autism. "I observed him across the room on the computer. He came over to his teacher and myself and stated, 'Credit card please.' We found he had booked a room at a motel in the Upper Peninsula near his mom. All that was left to do was log in the credit card number. Since I find the computer very challenging, this amazed me and showed me how intelligent the residents are."

RESIDENT PROFILE



SUSIE

Susannah, often referred to as Susie, has a superb work ethic.

Susie is very proud of her job at the PACE program that is run by Washtenaw County's Community Support

and Treatment Services (CSTS). "Nothing can interfere with her job," says her mother. "I have to be sure that I don't make any doctor's appointments for her on the days she works - she will not go to them if she has to miss work."

Beyond her job, Susie is sure to attend all of her scheduled fitness classes. Her love for St. Louis Center's fitness program has led to her turning down surprise lunch or dinner dates with her family. Her explanation? "Exercise," then she gives them a hug and returns to her home at Fr. Guanella Hall to wait for class. Susie is dedicated - to say the least.

Susie's mother says that St. Louis Center Social Worker, Elizabeth Aslin, M.S.W.; Program Director, Rick Visel; and her direct care workers are the go-to people in times of frustration, as they have learned to understand Susie's needs and can help calm her down.

Her love for music and dancing makes it fitting for her favorite artist to be Elvis Presley. Susie is a very loving people person and a kind friend who remembers those she has met from long ago.

JUDITH GREENBAUM, PhD: DEDICATED AND EDUCATED PIONEER

Dr. Judy Greenbaum has been an advocate for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities for nearly half a century, an author and lecturer with a PhD in Special Education, and a St. Louis Center parent. In 2010, Judy joined the Legacy Campaign Committee.

Judy was born and raised in Upper Manhattan. She earned her Bachelors degree in psychology from the University of Michigan and was married one week after graduation. Four children followed; the youngest, Susie, was born with intellectual disabilities.

Susie's birth launched Judy on a new path. She could not find a preschool that would take her and she became Susie's advocate. Her struggle led her to meet individuals who were working to put special education on the ballot in Michigan.

She recounted the story, "We needed 100,000 signatures and we got them. The Michigan Mandatory Special Education Act passed in 1971 and became law in 1973. The federal law passed in 1973 and went into affect in 1975, but was not as comprehensive as Michigan's." The law made it mandatory for schools to educate children with developmental disabilities from birth to 26 in order to help them reach their "maximum potential."

From 1972 to 1973, advocates worked on the development of the law's rules and regulations. "I got to know the law inside and out and that's how I became an advocate," she said. In fact, Judy was the advocate for several major cases.

Sadly, in 1973 her husband, who was also very active in the struggle for mandatory special education, passed. She recalls that period and raising her children alone. "A dark cloud settled over the family, but the children's presence helped a great deal."

Judy's picture appeared on the front cover of the Ann Arbor News in an article entitled, "What Price Education?" She explained, "The price tag to set

up a classroom for one child with autism in the early 1970s was around \$28,000. But within one week of the publication of the article, there were six children with special needs enrolled in that class. Something big was happening."

At 40, Judy began her doctoral studies at the University of Michigan, studying under Professor Percy Bates, also a member of the Legacy Campaign Committee. The PhD would be, in her words, her "union card" to a good job.



Dr. Greenbaum has written five books on topics related to special education and intellectual and developmental disabilities, the latest of which, *Life Planning for Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities*, was published in 2007. She has also

published professional articles, given workshops and lectures on the topic, and founded advocacy and training organizations.

Flash forward to 2015. Why did she join the Legacy Committee? "To give back." She explained, "I am really grateful to St. Louis Center for taking care of my daughter. I am impressed by how personalized the care is and how supportive the Center is. The fact that this is a religious organization means a lot to me. I feel that the people who work there are doing God's work, that they all have a moral center."

She continued, "There are so many people who need to know that there are places for their loved ones. They are living with anxiety about the future. We can show them what the future looks like for their son or daughter. We can tell them that everything will be okay."

We thank Dr. Judy Greenbaum for her lifetime of service to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and for her contributions in shaping the Legacy Project and bringing new donors to SLC.



GETTING INVOLVED

An important priority of St. Louis Center is to ensure that its residents are provided frequent opportunities to **be part of the wider community**.

In 2014, residents participated in Chelsea's Heart & Sole Race in May and its Run for the Rolls in August. Since 2011, residents have attended fitness classes at the Wellness Center twice weekly at no cost thanks to the Chelsea Area Wellness Foundation.

Interested residents travel to Friendship Bible Church in Ann Arbor every other week to participate in Bible study. On Saturday mornings, they meet up with friends and bowl at Bel-Mark Lanes, also in Ann Arbor. Preschoolers enrolled in the Chelsea Community Preschool are visited each week by one of the female residents who enjoys assisting in their classroom. Residents enrolled in Chelsea Public Schools are encouraged to participate in extracurricular activities. One teenager is a member of the track and tennis teams, Yearbook Club, and Science Olympiad.

An **appreciation for giving back** is fostered at St. Louis Center. "It is good for us to give to people less fortunate than us," said one resident, a member of SLC's Kiwanis-sponsored leadership development "Aktion Club." In 2014, Aktion Club members volunteered at the Grass Lake Sanctuary, helped organize an Easter egg hunt at the United Methodist Retirement Community, and sold refreshments at the Sounds & Sights Festival and Chelsea Community Fair, among other activities.



Two residents return from work in Ann Arbor using WAVE and AATA bus services.



Lisa cleans weekly at the 14-A District Court in Chelsea.

Another agency priority is to **help residents build their independence**. This is accomplished through participation in mainstream employment, job training, volunteerism, and participation in fitness and wellness activities. Independence is also fostered through daily one-on-one instruction in life skills such as keeping a bedroom neat, proper hygiene, and through opportunities like gardening and the use of iPads for enhanced communication and learning.

"Exercise in disguise" is how Caitlin Blomquist, SLC's Fitness Specialist, describes the program she has developed to help participants gain strength, endurance, and stay as healthy as possible. Individuals with I/DD who live at home in Chelsea and surrounding communities also participate.

In 2014, residents were employed by Meijer, Tractor Supply Company, Classic Pizza, Marco's Pizza, the University of Michigan, the 14A District Court in Chelsea, St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea, and High Point School. Through participation in Washtenaw County's Community Support & Treatment Services, residents and others volunteer at area non-profit organizations including Goodwill, Meals on Wheels, Faith-in-Action, Veteran's Park and Share House. One SLC resident commented, "The non-profits do a lot for us. Like after our work is done, they let us hang out." The same individual works for a local pizzeria and continued, "I clean the kitchen, break down boxes, do the inventory. My life would be a little boring if I didn't work there."

RESIDENT PROFILES



LINDA

Athleticism and a solid work ethic often go hand-in-hand. This is especially true for Linda.

Linda's brother thinks that she would want others to know that she is very friendly and likes to socialize. "She is very easy to get along with," he said. Her favorite thing to do is watch sports, especially when a University of Michigan team is playing. In fact, Linda traveled to the 2007 Rose Bowl and watched UM play USC.

Aside from sports, Linda has worked for over 20 years, five days a week, for UM residential services. She clears tables and cleans dishes at Mary Markley Hall. Unassisted, Linda rides the WAVE (Western-Washtenaw Area Value Express) bus from Chelsea to an AATA (Ann Arbor Transportation Authority) bus, transfers, then finishes the final leg of her commute on a UM bus. "She absolutely loves the students she serves," said St. Louis Center Social Worker, Elizabeth Aslin. This opportunity has allowed Linda to gain significant life skills including independence, of which she seems to be very proud.



SHANE

Shane is one of the sweetest guys you will ever meet.

He has a shy demeanor and is a man of few words, but he has become more social since living at St. Louis Center, according to his mother. Shane enjoys bowling and watching DVDs. One of his most distinct qualities is his shy little smile, usually shown when he knows that something he did or said is the topic of conversation. "He understands more than what he lets on," said his mother.

If there is one thing Shane would want others to know about him, it is that he loves to be included, whether it be to play a game with friends or attend a local event. Shane will certainly share that one-of-a-kind smile when invited.

A little known fact about Shane is that he is very close to his grandmother. She uses a wheelchair and requires constant care, but when Shane visits they are both noticeably happier. While they watch TV together, he holds and kisses her hand – clearly a bond which requires no words.



RAY

Ray is a typical kid; he loves games - especially the Wii. His grandfather highlighted that he has a great sense of humor and enjoys communicating with others. Ray prefers his time at home with his grandfather, but once he gets back into his weekly routine, he likes St. Louis Center, too.

The quality that most defines Ray is his natural instinct to extend sympathy and compassion to others – a quality he would want others to know and understand.

A great example of Ray's kindness occurred during a summer trip to Kent Lake in Brighton. Every summer Ray's grandfather facilitates the trip for his mother's "Vibel Club," a group of individuals with visual impairments. One summer while at Kent Lake, a member of the club fell down. Ray was the first person to rush to assist. His concern impressed and positively impacted everyone who was watching. Club members still remember and talk about Ray's kindheartedness and quick instincts to this day.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

We thank all of the volunteers who contributed to making St. Louis Center's 2014 fund raising events a success. Over \$450,000 was raised through these events; this represents 30% of the funds the Center needed to raise in 2014 to provide the charitable care that lies at the heart of its mission.

St. Louis Center's 2014 Friendship Award was presented to the City of Dearborn and accepted by Mayor John B. O'Reilly. For the past 17 years, the City of Dearborn has given free use of its public golf courses to Joe and Zoja Bojovic, proprietors of Joe's Top Dog restaurant and organizer of Joe's Top Dog Charity Invitational which benefits St. Louis Center.



Knights of Columbus councils in Chelsea and across the region visit St. Louis Center frequently to spend time with the residents, prepare barbecues and breakfasts, and bring gifts during holiday seasons, among many other things. Their continuous financial support, which includes funds raised from their annual Tootsie Roll Drive, provides for residents' immediate and future needs.

Pictured above: Our Lady of Fatima Bishop Zaleski Council #6687 members at St. Louis Center; Pictured below: Leadership of Chelsea's St. Louis Guanella Council #3092



Mayor O' Reilly (second from left) listens attentively to Larry Doll (right), 2008-2014 Chair of the St. Louis Center Community Advisory Council. Also pictured, from left: Christina O'Reilly, Joe Bojovic and Zoja Bojovic.



Professional opera singer Eva Evola wowed the audience during "An Evening with Eva Evola and Friends," a new fund raising event held at the Andiamo Celebrity Showroom in Warren on October 23, 2014. We thank Joe Vicari, proprietor of Andiamo, for organizing the event and donating the Showroom for the evening, as well as Mike Chirco, longtime friend and supporter of St. Louis Center, and Dino Valle and Rosalino LoDuca of the Bellini Opera Foundation for helping to bring this night to fruition.

St. Louis Center by the Numbers

Audited Financials

St. Louis Center's comparative financial statements for the fiscal years July 1 - June 30, 2013 and 2014.

Support & Revenue	2014	%	2013
Agency Payments**	\$1,957,801.00	56%	\$2,060,010.00
Contributions & Grants	\$462,028.00	13%	\$534,246.00
Fundraising Events	\$415,613.00	12%	\$437,151.00
Other***	\$643,767.00	19%	\$229,514.00
Total	\$3,479,209.00	100%	\$3,260,921.00
Expenses*			
Program Services	\$2,242,179.00	64%	\$2,287,005.00
Management & General	\$937,191.00	27%	\$781,579.00
Fundraising Projects	\$115,416.00	3%	\$53,926.00
Depreciation	\$184,140.00	5%	\$181,577.00
Total	\$3,478,926.00	100%	\$3,304,087.00

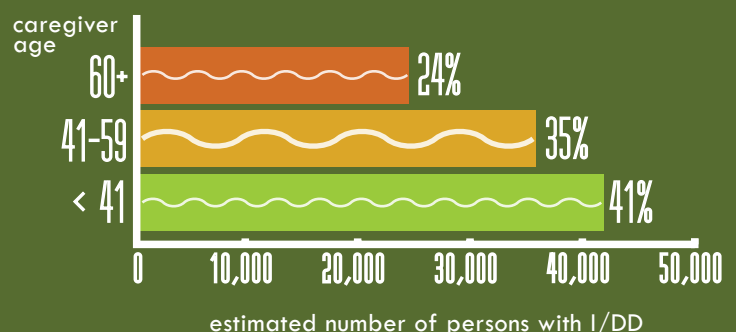
* Figures are based on audited financial statements and do not include in-kind contributions.

** Special one-on-one care adds to agency costs.

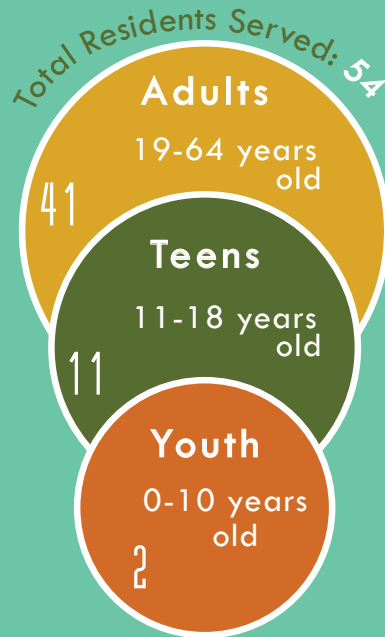
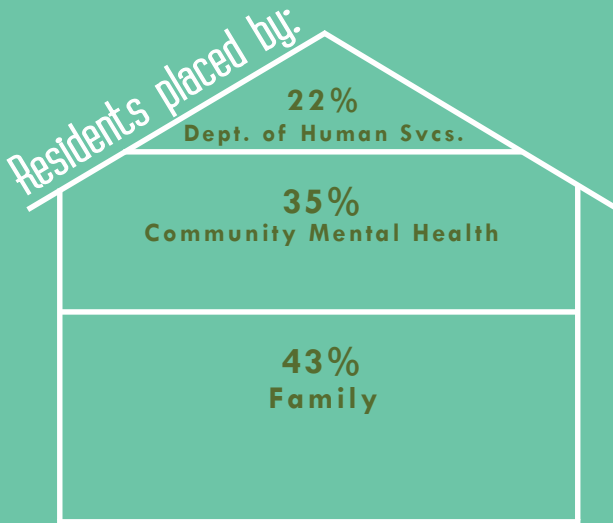
*** Due to construction on campus, St. Louis Center realized an increase in Net Assets, which is reflected in other revenue.

Michigan
statistics
reveal the
need

Estimated number of individuals with I/DD
by age group living with family caregivers



Statistics



County of Origin

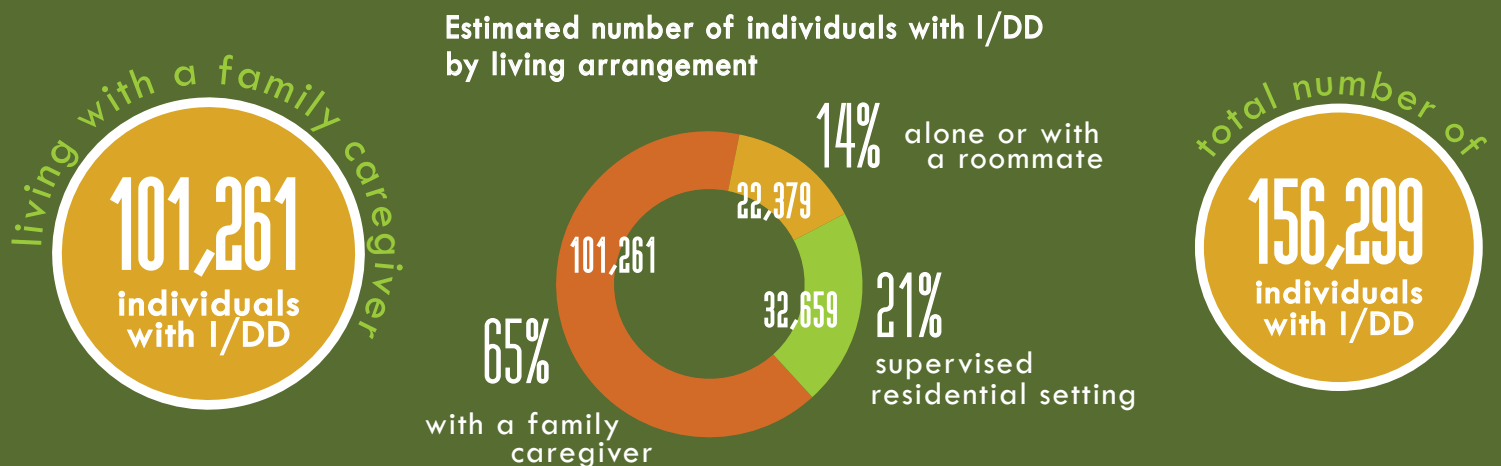
Wayne	18
Washtenaw	18
Jackson	5
Oakland	3
Cass	1
Clare	1
Ingham	1
Macomb	1
Montcalm	1
Saginaw	1
St. Clair	1
St. Joseph	1
Van Buren	1
Out of State	1

As of December 31, 2014:

New admissions	5
Reunited with family	1
Moved to county of origin	4

Did you know?

People with I/DD are living well into their 60s, 70s and beyond



THE LEGACY PROJECT: MAKING A LASTING IMPACT

St. Louis Center embarked on a major journey called the Legacy Project in 2010, the Center's 50th anniversary year. Through the Legacy Project, St. Louis Center is making a life-long commitment to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities – a promise to families and guardians that the Center will provide care for their loved ones as long as it is necessary. The Legacy Project is a ten-year effort comprised of a series of renovation and new construction projects as well as the development of new enrichment programs.

The aging of our society, the "graying of America," directly impacts demand for services for people with I/DD. Their increasing longevity, coupled with the likelihood that they will outlive their parents, are new realities that are stretching families and state service delivery providers. St. Louis Center is preparing for these new realities.

THE LEGACY CAMPAIGN

The mission of the Legacy Campaign Committee is to create a future in which every resident with special needs is provided a continuum of life-long care in a faith-based residential community that provides a safe, comfortable, and family-like environment in which the individual's right to self-determination and personal decision-making, along with the need for dignity, respect, tradition, and spirituality are honored.

Legacy Campaign Dollar Goal:	\$10M
Major Capital Projects Completed:	Family Welcome & Orientation Center, 2011 Special Needs Playground, 2013 Fr. Guanella Hall for Assisted Living, 2014
New Programs:	Fitness for Life, 2011 Take Root Gardening, 2013 Tech 101, 2014

2013-2014 LEGACY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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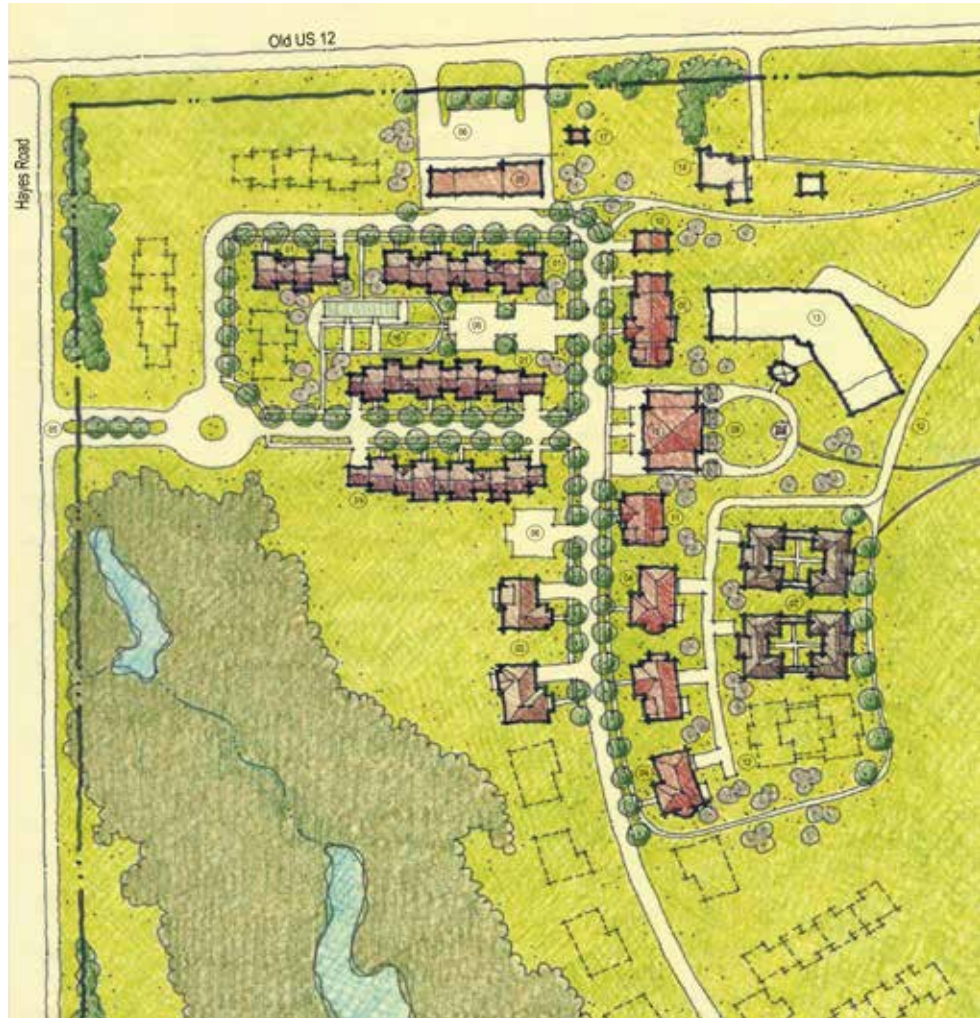
THE ST. LOUIS GUANELLA VILLAGE

In 2014, the decision was made to lay the infrastructure of the St. Louis Guanella Village beginning in 2015. Residential townhomes, single family homes, children's homes and cottages will be constructed.

This rendering of the St. Louis Guanella Village was completed in September 2014 by Silveri Architects. The St. Louis Guanella Village is St. Louis Center's response to a national challenge that has arrived and brings with it numerous opportunities. It is a response that promotes dignity and humanity.

A big response? For sure. But we are making the road by walking.

We look forward to sharing our Legacy Project progress with you and welcome you to walk with us.



ON THE HORIZON: NEW CHILDREN'S HOMES IN THE VILLAGE

St. Louis Center will construct three children's homes first. We anticipate that by the close of 2017, children 18 years and younger will reside in these houses with front porches, back yards, and play equipment much like homes in a typical neighborhood. They will offer all of the comforts of home.



A rendering of a St. Louis Guanella Village Children's Home by Silveri Architects



Each spacious home will house six children with I/DD. The homes are being designed to help the children live as independently as possible in comfortable, home-like and secure surroundings.



DONALD WALKER: BUILDING OUR LEGACY

A native of Boston, Don moved to Ann Arbor 36 years ago with his wife, Toni, and their three daughters. He was a Senior Executive at Comshare and worked in the computer industry for over forty years. In 1997 he was a founding Partner of Arbor Partners LLC, one of the early Michigan Venture Capital firms. Don served on the boards of several Michigan start-up companies, is a former board member of the New Enterprise Forum, is an advisor to the University of Michigan's Wolverine Venture Fund and served on the Board of the Michigan Venture Capital Association.

Don learned about the St. Louis Center 25 years ago when a close friend invited him to participate in several fund raising events. During those years, Don saw firsthand the wonderful care and attention each resident received. In 2010 Don joined the Legacy Campaign Committee to help raise the \$10 million dollars required to update the existing facilities and build new housing to meet the special needs of the residents with I/DD who are aging. According to Don, it was the right time to launch the Legacy Campaign. The SLC was 50 years old and the buildings needed updating and refurbishing. The SLC residents were also aging and required a higher level of care and a new home designed for their unique needs.

In many cases, the I/DD community is now outliving their parents. Caregivers and families are concerned about who will take care of their loved ones when they are no longer able to do so. Don believes the SLC, with over 50 years of experience serving people with I/DD, is the perfect location and environment to build a Village that will meet the expanding needs of this special community. In Don's view, the SLC is working to create a future in which every resident with intellectual and developmental disabilities is provided a continuum of life-long care in an integrated residential community that is safe, comfortable, and supportive.



Donald Walker visits with Fr. Guanella Hall resident Cathy

Don is pleased with the Legacy Committee's progress. By the close of 2014, nearly \$4M had been raised and several important capital projects completed. A new welcome center was built, the main playground/park was redesigned, and Fr. Guanella Hall was totally remodeled to meet the specific needs of the residents who are aging. In addition, new programs such as fitness, gardening, and music therapy have been launched with new ones being developed. Don knows there is more work to be done, but he is excited about the positive reception the Committee is getting as more people throughout southeast Michigan learn about the Legacy Campaign.

We thank Don Walker for freely lending his leadership, sales, marketing, and overall business acumen to the Legacy Campaign Committee and working tirelessly to drive the Legacy Project. We appreciate that he has brought many new supporters into the family of SLC donors.

SAINTS FOR ST. LOUIS CENTER

With the help of our supporters and friends, St. Louis Center provides its residents an environment of care that is loving and safe, a culture that promotes self-determination, and one that provides each individual a care plan that ensures a constant focus on strengthening mind, body, and spirit.

You can also be a Saint for St. Louis Center.

We seek to raise funds for three priority areas:

1. Residential Support: Raise \$1.5M in general operating funding each year to provide for the ongoing physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of children and adults with I/DD.
2. Capital Support: Meet the \$10M Legacy Campaign goal and realize St. Louis Center's vision of creating a full continuum of care for people with I/DD. SLC will renovate select existing homes and common spaces and construct new homes in the St. Louis Guanella Village.
3. Endowment: Ensure the highest quality of services, for decades to come, by growing the St. Louis Center Endowment Trust.

How to Support St. Louis Center:

St. Louis Center is grateful for the gifts of all types and sizes it receives from its friends and supporters.

Outright Gifts make an immediate impact and are the most popular way of supporting SLC financially. These gifts include:

- Cash Donations
- Gifts of Stock or Securities
- In-Kind Gifts of Goods and Services

Planned Gifts are special kinds of gifts that support St. Louis Center financially while potentially providing significant benefits to you. Examples include:

- Wills or Trusts
- Life Income Gifts
- IRA Charitable Rollovers
- IRA or 401(k) Beneficiaries
- Life Insurance
- Real Estate

To learn about other creative ways to support SLC or for referrals to financial advisors, tax attorneys, or estate planning attorneys within St. Louis Center's community of supporters, please contact Peggy Cole, Development Director, at 734.475.8430 or peggyc@stlouiscenter.org.



Sam Cottone (left) and Mike Chirco (right), organizers of the Lad & Dad Golf Outing in Oakland, Michigan. Joe Maniaci (not pictured) also organizes this event.



"Voice of the Detroit Pistons" George Blaha meets with St. Louis Center residents following a game that he arranged for them to attend.

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SUPPORT BEYOND OUR BACKYARD: TIM AND MARIANNE SCOTT

Several years ago, Tim and Marianne Scott of Macomb County joined the family of St. Louis Center supporters. Tim's mother was childhood friends with Margaret Panelli, wife of the late football legend and dear friend of SLC, John Panelli. They explained, "When he passed, memorials were to go to St. Louis Center. After sending a memorial, we investigated further and found it to be a great organization."

Tim and Marianne are both originally from Macomb County. Marianne has worked for the past 30 years as a registered nurse. Tim is a small business owner. They met six years ago and were married in 2010. They have a mutual love of dogs and have raised two puppies for Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, Michigan. They continued, "We like to give to local organizations that spend the money without high administrative costs. We love that St. Louis Center

creates an environment where the residents have an opportunity to be the best that they can be. We also love that SLC is creating a situation for long-term care to be provided after families are unable to be involved. We have enjoyed meeting others associated with St. Louis Center. It is a warm environment. With every visit, we recognize the outstanding staff that not only assist the residents, but also make those who visit feel welcome and appreciated." Their hope for St. Louis Center is to see the completion of the Legacy Project and to continue to build the Endowment Trust.

It is hard to imagine where St. Louis Center would be without its many supporters near, far, and in between. We extend a wholehearted thank you to each and every one of you.





2013-2014

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