

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

A YEAR LIKE NO OTHER

Dear Friends,

While 2020 brought many challenges, it also highlighted the strength of our organization and our community. We are deeply grateful for our devoted staff, our dedicated Board of Directors, our committed volunteers, and our generous donors. Together, we have continued to be a vital resource for Darien's senior citizens.

We feel a great sense of pride in the achievements of **At Home In Darien** during the past year. In response to the crisis, we quickly focused on the most critical needs of Darien seniors, providing assistance in a safe and reliable manner. We were able to seamlessly deliver crucial services—essential transportation, grocery shopping, pick up and delivery of prescriptions, telephone contact, advice, referrals, and customized assistance as needed—to help Darien seniors remain living independently despite the pandemic.

Providing continuous service required making changes and adapting to the "new normal"; however, we remain focused on our mission and dedicated to helping Darien senior citizens stay connected to the community.

At Home In Darien continues as a strong and stable organization, capable of providing essential services for all of our neighbors. As COVID-19 slowly fades and is eventually overcome, we will persist as a steadfast resource for the community.

The following report highlights how we have continued to strengthen the connection between Darien's senior citizens and our community. A remittance envelope is included should you wish to donate. Your support is deeply appreciated!

Sincerely,



Susan M. Bhirud
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President of the Board of
Directors of At Home In Darien



Gina Z. Blum
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Executive Director of
At Home In Darien

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our mission:
Helping Darien seniors
live independently, comfortably
and with dignity in their
own homes and the community
as long as possible.

2021
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Volunteer with us!
The rewards are amazing!
Help strengthen our
community,
give back, and make
a difference!

OUR FINANCES

At Home In Darien's financial condition remains healthy and stable. The majority of our funding comes from private donations from members of the Darien community. We thoughtfully and responsibly spend funds to provide free services and assistance to benefit Darien seniors so that they can continue living independently at home and be socially engaged in our community.

2020 REVENUE

Contributions	\$234,989
Grant Income	\$44,390
In-kind Contributions	\$12,000
Interest Income	\$6,483
Total	\$297,862

2020 EXPENSES

Programs — \$177,933 - 74%
Management & General — \$43,164 - 18%
Fundraising — \$18,233 - 8%
Total \$239,330

2020

by the numbers



2,342 RIDES

31 New Riders

12,870 Miles

115 Riders served



258

Facebook posts

37

Attendees at
our first virtual
Annual Meeting on
December 11, 2020

11 Blogs posted
to communicate,
connect and share
information on
matters of interest



OUT & ABOUT

WINTER 2020
VOLUME 12 ISSUE 1

Dear Friends—
Our 10th anniversary year has successfully come to a close, but we're delighted to continue celebrating this year with the Town of Darien's 200th Anniversary. In collaboration with the Darien 200th Anniversary Committee, we are proud to bring you an enjoyable story of Darien as well provide events (see inside).
At Home In Darien is beginning its second decade of service to our community. We are steered by a dedicated and talented Board of Directors who work to ensure that **At Home In Darien** continues to provide services and resources that welcome new members—Bob Baylis, Margen, Monica Billeter, Diane Schlunkert, and Sosnow. We appreciate their service on our Board and to help

At Home In Darien continue to thrive. We are also grateful to our outgoing board members—Peggy Brown, Annie Burleigh, Olive Hauser, Lisa Hughes and Pat van den Broek, for all they have done to help us fulfill our mission and to make our organization a valuable resource for the Darien community.
As always, we are here to help you! Give us a call at 203.655.2227
All the best,
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WILL YOU BE A PEN PAL?

At Home In Darien has joined forces with the Kids Care Club at Tokeneke Elementary School for an intergenerational pen pal program. We are looking for Darien seniors who are interested in being a pen pal. Students will reach out to the first...



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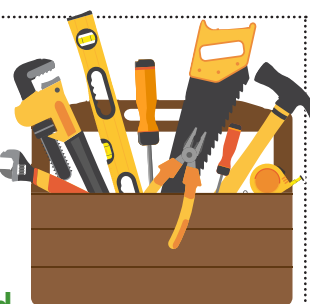
Board
member
hours



34 Businesses
offered discounts and
promotions to Darien
seniors who showed
membership cards

140 Referrals to
trusted service providers
including property and
home maintenance
services for peace of mind

75 Trusted Service Providers on our list
for referral for help around the home



18 Homes
were raked of leaves

14 Homes had
snow removed from
public sidewalk

226

Membership Cards
sent to Darien residents who turned 60



684

Calls for advice and assistance from
seniors and their families connecting
them to assistance in the community



22

Valentines from
the Tokeneke Kids
Care Club to Assisted
Living Facilities

29

Holiday gift bags
delivered to
Darien Seniors



55 Welcome bags delivered
to the residents at the new Royle
senior housing development

172

Event opportunities communicated
through Monthly Calendar of Events

1,425 mailed and
7,422 emailed

25,599

Out & About Newsletters –
mailed to every mailbox in Darien

NOTE: While At Home In Darien remained completely operational throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, due to lack of in-person events and safety concerns, transportation and in home visits saw declines, while grocery shopping, check in phone calls, and half-price taxi voucher sales saw significant increases.

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