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2022

ANNUAL REPORT

POISED FOR GROWTH!

Dear Friends,

If the past few years have proven anything, it's the importance of community and the impact of the unique intergenerational programs and services available throughout Darien.

At Home In Darien continues to connect seniors to all generations through our transportation services and volunteer activities. In 2022, we continued to broaden the support available to all Darien seniors and experienced significant increases across all services. The following pages reflect some of the noteworthy year-over-year results and these trends have continued in 2023, where services have increased even further. The demand for transportation for Darien's seniors to medical appointments, shopping, and social activities throughout Darien, Stamford, Norwalk, and New Canaan will continue, and we expect the same for all other activities and events. As we expand involvement for seniors with the broader community, we will require a deeper level of talent, time, and treasure.



At Home In Darien Board members and staff participating in the town's Memorial Day parade

We are ready for this challenge, with help of course.

- Talent and Time enrich the lives of others and we rely on our amazing volunteers to extend our connection and engagement with senior adults by visiting, helping, shopping, and even driving when our staff drivers are unable to complete an important ride. More volunteers are needed who can offer these two valuable gifts.
- Treasure helps make it all happen. Our services continue to be FREE to all seniors and we won't waver in this regard, as this often provides critical relief for our senior members from the challenges of being able to continue to live independently and at home for as long as possible. We remain extremely grateful for the support we receive from the community and with your help, will be able to meet the growing needs of our seniors in 2023 and beyond.

This issue of **Out & About** provides just a few of the many highlights from 2022. We are proud to be able to deliver critical services to Darien's senior community and ask that you consider supporting our mission by donating this year. A remittance envelope is enclosed if you would like to donate at this time, or you can visit us at https://athomeindarien.org to make an online donation. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

Thank you! Sincerely,







Peter Sosnow



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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.

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2022 VOLUNTEERS

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LEAF RAKERS

Church of Latter **Day Saints** Youth Darien Ward Community Fund of Darien's Thriving Youth Task Force MMS Gives Back St. Thomas More Youth Group of Darien Students from The Harvey School Troop 219 (girls troop in Scouts BSA) The Ventker Family The Vicente Family The Wheeler Family Grace Liu Aadya Pai Amanda Smith **Grant Wang**

What Our Members are Saying . . .

"This service saved me from depending on others and disrupting their lives. It still gave me sense of independence. I am forever grateful to you all"

OUR FINANCES

At Home In Darien's financial condition remains healthy and stable. Private donations from members of the Darien community provide the primary source of our funding. We thoughtfully and responsibly spend funds to offer free services and assistance for the benefit of Darien seniors, allowing them to continue living independently at home, socially engaged in our community.

2022 REVENUE

Contributions \$221,137

Grant Income \$30,314

In-kind Contributions \$12,000
Interest Income \$2,014

Total \$265,465

2022 EXPENSES

Programs — **\$203,239 - 81**%

Management & General — **\$24,774 - 10**%

Fundraising — **\$21,657 - 9%**

Total **\$249,670**

Congratulations Rosemary Jordan



At Home In Darien is blessed to be supported by some inspiring volunteers who help seniors in a variety of ways. We are grateful to every volunteer, and are especially proud to share that Rosemary Jordan was honored as one of Darien's Outstanding Adult Volunteers by The Community Fund, during their 44th annual volunteer celebration. Rosemary began volunteering for AHID in 2021 and has served as a Friendly Shopper and Friendly Visitor. Rosemary goes the extra mile when assisting seniors. In fact, as one of the seniors she helps commented, "I feel like I've found a friend in Rosemary!"

(The Jordan Family, pictured L to R: Matt, Devan, Rosemary, and Lili)

2022 Year At A Glance

Number of Rides +32% 2500 2500 1500 2,039 2,684

Total Volunteer Hours



Half-Priced Taxi Vouchers 4000 3500 2500 1500 2,651 3,727



AHID team members Fran Bellingham and Sally Laird welcoming guests to the Annual Meeting



AHID's drivers Andrew (Drew) Burke and Jane Matthews preparing to start another day!



AHID member Barbara Thorne and DHS students enjoying a special showing of The Tempest



Custom cookies given to visitors at AHID's event at J. McLaughlin



Some of our amazing volunteers, distributing Valentine's gifts to seniors

What Our Members are Saying . . .

"Very appreciative of this wonderful service that you provide for seniors and all the people involved are terrific!"



L to R: Past Board President Susan Bhirud, First Selectwoman Monica McNally, and Board Member Monica Billeter following AHID's Annual Meeting in December



Guest speaker Allia Zobel Nolan entertaining participants at AHID's Annual Luncheon in November, co-sponsored by the Darien Community Association



First County Bank and AHID celebrating their ongoing partnership (L to R: Former AHID Board member MS Koly, Current AHID Board member John Hess, and Willard Miley, First County Bank President and Chief Operating Officer)



AHID's team member Michele Treacy with volunteers Ellen and Melissa Ryan, preparing to deliver Holiday wreaths

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Raymond Slavin

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"With your service I can remain independent, go to my appts. Without asking my family to take time off of work"

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