

THE CALI PROJECT

Bi-Annual Newsletter



Happy Almost Holidays!

2023...What a year!!

We bought the house last year and set out to prove that we deserved your amazing support. We welcomed a new transition house of young women ready to take control of their independence. The Phase II apartment graduated three young men to fully living independently in housing they found and navigated with minimal assistance.

CATCHING UP!

As Board Member, Colleen, and Director Cissi said so well at our Boots, Bottles and Bowties Event, "We need to make the house a home." To accomplish this we reached out to you, our supporters, once again, to join us at our 2nd Annual Chef and Wine pairing Gala to raise funds for setup and operations. Central messaging centers on all platforms have been set up and our long awaited wheelchair lift is becoming a reality!

Our board and steadfast volunteer crew keep looking forward and working to make CALI better. We have added a Tailored Day Services (TDS) in order to serve more people in a program that compliments our independent living services. This means we need my devoted coaches which we are excited for you to meet.





2ND ANNUAL GALA EVENT

At the tail end of 2022, the community came together and helped us raise the money we needed to make The CALI house our own.

Last September 23rd, we all got together to make this a home with our 2nd Annual Chef and Wine Pairing Gala.

We want to extend a massive thank you to each and every one of you who supported us. Your presence and contributions made the event a success.

Here at The CALI Project, we are empowering young adults to take their place in the world and letting their voices be heard.

Our programs empower young people to find their voice and make a difference in the world. Hear from three inspiring women who are in three different programs we offer.

"WHAT ASPECTS OF OUR PROGRAM MAKE YOU FEEL HAPPY, STRONG, AND INDEPENDENT?"



"I'm always excited to ride my bike to work. I love it!" - Grace
(Community ILS)

"I am meeting new friends and learning to stand up for myself!"
- Maile (CALI Transition House Phase 1)



"I feel great and proud to be living on my own at the CALI house!" - Maddy
(CALI Transition House Phase 2)



NEW PROGRAM- TAILORED DAY SERVICES (TDS)

We welcomed our first TDS client in September. A large part of anyone's journey to independence is experiencing new and different things to see what resonates with them. Our TDS allows our clients to try different volunteer or paid jobs, navigate social engagements or access recreational opportunities.

We had a bonfire meet up and one of our newer TDS clients took the bus for the first time in three years. He overcame some fears and mental blocks about riding the bus. With his new mobility and freedom, he can spend more time out in the community and be able to participate in a volunteering job that he has wanted to do for a very long time.

Andres (Tailored Day Service)



Bonfire Meetup



GOODBYES AND NEW BEGINNINGS

As our year draws to a close, we bid farewell to some of our staff as they pursue their educational aspirations and extend a warm welcome to the wonderful, caring individuals we are thrilled to collaborate with in the coming year.

As our year comes to an end we wish you all and your loved ones a happy and peaceful holiday season!

If we are fortunate enough to be included on your gift list, please consider supporting our **Giving Tuesday Campaign!** **Donations made before the end of November will be matched up to \$2,500!**

From all of us, with gratitude and a shared commitment to the belief that everyone deserves the opportunity to continue learning, living, and striving for their best lives!!

Cissi, Judy, The Board and The CALI Crew

