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Joy to work with. Breakfast and is always a organizing our Annual has been instrumental in attitude to every task. She Heather brings a can-do

Heather Sample

Volunteer of the Year

Southport Financial Services Zac Baker

City of Lakewood **Korsmo Construction** John Korsmo մеդ Gumm Architect Edge Development Jim Cave Dul Jeor helping us envision our future...

Special thanks goes to the following for

wonld work. Gravelly Lake Road Affordable Housing on how 25 units of drawings showcasing developed after being asked, the picture: 24 hours is where James entered a chance to "sell" it. This affordable housing and LASA had a dream for

Architects, INC James Guerrero

Business of the Year

2022 Annual Report



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Phase One Completed in June of 2015 with the building and establishment of **LASA's Client Service** Center



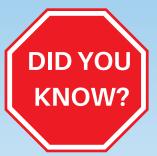
The Four Phases of the LASA

Client Services Campus

- **LASA Client Service Center and Prairie Oaks: 15 units of Permanent Supportive Housing**
- **Hygiene Center with** laundry and shower facilities
- Gravelly Lake Commons I: 25 units of Affordable Housing
- Gravelly Lake Commons II: **30 units of Affordable** Housing and an affordable **Daycare**



Phase Two Summer of 2023 LASA will be breaking ground on the **Hygiene Center**



The 2023 Fair Market Rate (FMR) for a three-bedroom apartment in **Pierce County** is \$2,335 per month.

To afford FMR without being cost burdened, a family of four needs to earn over **\$7,000 per month**

2022 Highlights

Over \$24,000 raised at our annual FriendRaising Breakfast

> Over \$4 million in Rent Assistance

Over \$200,000 in **Utility Pledges**

The Road to Success

T.D. is a grandmother with guardianship of four grandchildren. She lives in a subsidized apartment because she can't work due to a disability. T.D. is happy and the kids are doing well in school. Life wasn't always this great. When we met she had a grandbaby on one hip and was holding the hand of another; the parents weren't in the picture and T.D.

had not yet been granted legal guardianship. She walked to her appointment at LASA despite her disability. When she met Betty, LASA's Lead Case Manager, T.D. noted her smile and felt like she was being welcomed home, and we noted T.D.'s fortitude and drive to fight for her grandchildren. That was four years ago. Now, with full guardianship of her grandchildren and her own apartment in her name,

she has come back to visit and let us know that she has a new lease on life.



Twenty-Five 1, 2, and 3 Bedroom **Affordable Housing Apartments**



Phase Four Future project to include 3,000 sq. ft. daycare facility with affordable units



Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened. -Dr. Seuss

My daughter Molly was in kindergarten when I started with LASA and I watched LASA grow up alongside her. Every Easter was spent preparing an Easter

Basket for her while also making sure we had supplies for 30 more baskets (over 200 in later years). The same with Christmas and other holidays.

Then there were times we attended our Life Skills workshops where I could take advantage of the fact that we offered our families a pizza dinner along with free babysitting. Molly had dinner and a chance to play with others, a job perk for a single child. Time marched on and after a few years a rite of passage for Molly and her

friends was to take turns being the babysitter at these workshops. Still later, when she had her own income, she was able to give back and help buy gifts for "our" kids. Now Molly, in her early 30's, is living in Seattle and making a living as a writer.

> This makes me proud because her dad and I brought her up with the idea that one day she would have wings. As for her sibling, LASA, it is also growing wings. As I get ready to say goodbye, I am excited that with LASA's dedicated staff and its

new leader, LASA is set to soar to new heights. I would say let's step back and watch, but there is always work to do.

Blessings to all of you and I hope to see you at our FriendRaising Breakfast.

- Janne, Executive Director Emeritus

