

# 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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# MISSION





To Improve the Lives of the People We Serve by Decreasing Their Burden of Home Repair and increasing Their Accessibility to Their Homes and Communities, Thus Increasing Their Participation in Daily Life.



To Plant a Seed of Service in the Hearts and Minds of the Youth and Adults Who Participate in our Mission.



To Encourage a Lifelong Commitment to Serving Others.



# **TO OUR PARTNERS**



Each year I am surprised to see how many individuals struggle with the lack of accessibility in and out of their own house. While quite a few are fortunate enough to have the help of family and friends, some do not. The worry of not being able to get out of the house if there is a fire is all too real for many. Most homes were not built with accessibility in mind, and just one step can take away one's independence.

The inability to get out for doctor's visits and treatments also lessens the chance of physical and mental well-being. While affordable resources for ramps and power lifts are few, most health insurance will not cover the cost of renting a ramp or having one built. GHSP has been so blessed by so many! Through the donations of time and money, we have been able to provide many ramps over the years. There is nothing better than seeing the smile of someone that can independently move in and out of their own home with a ramp GHSP volunteers just built. Without the help of so many generous individuals, none of this would be possible.

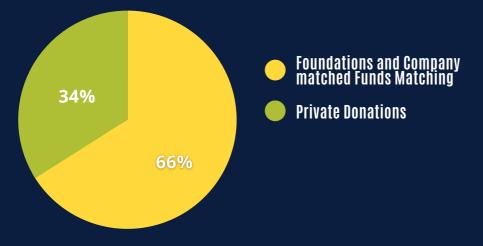
Carryl Stanfield

**DARRYL STANFIELD** *Executive Director* January 2023



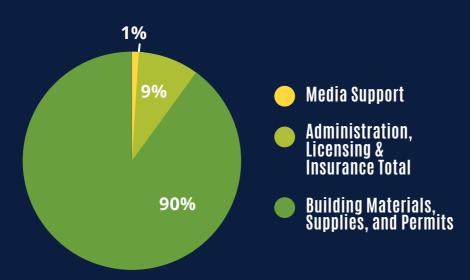
# **SUCCESS STORIES**

#### WHERE DID OUR FUNDING COME FROM IN 2022?\*



\*A heartfelt THANK YOU to our many private donors who continue to support us and 'pay it forward' for the accessibility of our neighbors, our communities, and volunteerism opportunities for our youth.

#### WHERE WERE OUR FUNDS SPENT IN 2022\*\*



\*\*GHSP is proud to be fully staffed by a volunteer workforce and Board of Directors, allowing the budget dollars to directly serve our Mission and our consumers with no salary overhead.

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#### 23 Ramps Built for Accessibility

That's 656 feet of ramps, over 2 football fields in length!





#### 118 Volunteer Experiences

A combined total1,311 volunteer hours for 27 homes evaluated this year!



## **2022 COMMUNITY FOOTPRINT**



Multiple Home Modification and Ramp Locations in Same Zip Code Area.

Our GHSP evaluations are completed with individual consumer needs in mind throughout a wide service area. Benefits to our consumers highlight accessible mobility and self-care, freedom from stress and worry, significantly decreased risk of injury for family and consumer, and reconnection to the community.

Community benefits include an active community resident, able to participate with hope and confidence, freely engaged in meaningful family and personal relationships.



## HIGHLIGHTS AND SUCCESS Stories in 2022

#### **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

We have been fortunate to work with the skilled volunteers from Washington University School of Occupational Therapy and School of Physical Therapy, Children's Hospital, the Rotary Club of Ballwin, Parkway United Church of Christ, Hauk Kruse and Associates, Our Savior Lutheran Church of Wisconsin, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and Grabber Construction Products.

We are seeing steady referrals from individual word of mouth and we are proud to help serve referrals from local organizations such as SSM Health, Paraquad, Children's Hospital, Delta Center, Ranken Jordan Pediatric Bridge Hospital, Washington University School of Occupational Therapy, and MediEquip, Inc.

#### **CHANGING LIVES**

**Ben:** For our GHSP volunteers it was a great weekend of hard work, laughs, and giving back! For Ben, a Korean war veteran, it was a new lease on life when we headed out to Warrenton to build a ramp for him. This was Ben's first time being outside in a few months, and he and his loved ones were so excited to get out into the community once again.



**Lebria:** Lebria is a young woman who was working to regain function after a 3 month hospital stay. The addition of her ramp will allow for her to be safely transported to therapy

#### **DONORSHIPS AND CONTINUOUS LEARNING**

We have continued to explore new opportunities to provide 'more' where needed. Customized solutions have led us to new partnerships with community vendors and donors who have helped us provide aluminum access ramps, and raw lumber for decking. Building more organizational partnerships have helped us create organized 'volunteer days' and specialized volunteer engagement that serve persons within our community. Many times we add to these experiences with water management and grading, raking leaves, installing grab bars, or completing a little yard beautification. We have been fortunate to learn from similar organizations by joining their work and attending accessible building conferences to network solutions.



## **CLIENT FEEDBACK**

Our youngest board members have been the drivers of a new consumer feedback process with follow up calls and we have gathered results shown here.

### SAFETY

We are proud to say in the past <u>3 Years</u> follow up our clients are <u>89% Fall Free</u> since their ramp installation, and modifications we provided *decreased time* to enter/exit their home to 5 minutes or less.



#### FEEL ABOUT OUR VOLUNTEERS AT **GRAUSSERS** "Blessed" "Grateful" "Surprised"

volunteers and

give my time.'

**HOW OUR CLIENTS** 

#### GHSP MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN CLIENTS' QUALITY OF LIFE

Since GHSP worked of your home, has your sense of hope and daily outlook improved?

#### 100%

Since GHSP worked of your home, do you feel better connected with your neighbors and your community?

100%

#### GHSP'S CLIENT ENGAGEMENT AND SATISFACTION

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100%

Since GHSP worked of your home, do you feel better connected with your neighbors and your community?

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## **INTERPERSONAL AUTONOMY**

"Happy"





## **CLIENT FEEDBACK**

Our volunteers are the heart and soul of Gateway Housing Service Project. We all provide volunteerism and are incredibly grateful to have so many partners with skilled building expertise to guide and mentor our youth volunteers.

"Volunteering with GHSP has been a really valuable experience for me. Transforming previously unsafe, inaccessible entrances into livable spaces is truly a blessing."

#### Maren Jorgenson

"When I learned of Gateway Housing Service Project and their mission, I was thrilled to be able to volunteer with them. Not only do I get the satisfaction of knowing I am making someone's life more fulfilling by making the outside world more accessible; but, I also gain new skills. They have actual carpenters on the job who provide guidance and help teach the skills needed to build the ramps. Meeting the families and seeing their joy at the completion of a job is so satisfying. What a wonderful organization."

#### Laurie Ising



"I had the pleasure of working with Darryl and Stephanie on a new ramp and some interior accessibility issues for their client. Great group of truly dedicated people, and they run a well oiled, first-class operation. My back and knees hate me, but it's truly a great feeling to help somebody out. These people let their actions speak for them. I will definitely do this again if they will have me."

#### Don Bertelsmann



## **CONNECT & SUPPORT**

#### **FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK**



We are so proud of our exceptionally well-constructed home access ramps. We offer you a chance to view our ongoing updates on our Facebook page, along with the building process and incredible outcomes for our consumers and families.

Scan the QR code and follow us on Facebook!



## HOW YOUR SUPPORT HELPS

Our ramps are constructed with extensive planning, permits, and design to meet all Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines for accessibility. Materials are high-grade lumber and, in some cases, more portable aluminum ramp options to meet the unique needs of each home.

### HOW DID GHSP ALLOCATE ITS BUILDING FINDS IN 2022?

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70% of our funds are allocated for lumber Volunteer Accomodations 7% 1% Permits Supplies 22%

> Lumber 70%

# **OUR TEAM**

### OUR 2022 CORPORATE SPONSORS

The Sugarbaker Foundation Enterprise Leasing Parkway United Church of Christ Benevity Amazon Smile

#### **OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Executive Director, Darryl Stanfield Secretary, Beth Daniels Treasurer, Sarah Ball Steve Moore Meagan Proffit Alyssa Lincoln

### **COMMUNITY PRACTICE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS**

Dr. Jess Dasher Dr. Sue Tucker



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