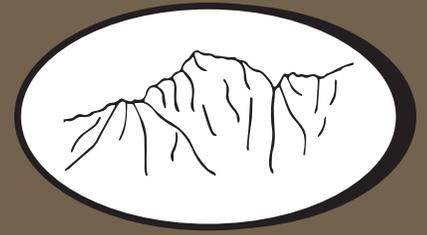


# GRANITE HOUSE

## DONOR NEWSLETTER

Spring 2018



For our donors, volunteers, and partners on our journey

### YOUR GIFTS AT WORK

June 2014 – Dec 2017

**STARTUP EXPENSES**  
and beginning construction

**TOTAL EXPENSES**

**\$88,100**

**MARKETING/AWARENESS**

**\$12,700**

*Printing, mailings, email & website*

**FUNDRAISING**

**\$10,500**

*Grants, events*

**ADMINISTRATION**

**\$13,000**

*Insurance, office supplies, processing fees, training*

**PROFESSIONAL FEES**

**\$39,400**

*Legal, accounting, architect*

**CONSTRUCTION\***

**\$12,500**

*Survey, permit, plans, materials*



\*Although the cost of construction is being covered by a line of credit, some donor funds will be used to augment the loan for various items and purchases.

## THANKS TO YOUR GENEROUS HELP WE'LL OPEN THIS SPRING

The big red house on the hill is almost ready for staff and residents. The beautiful red siding looks great with the dark bronze standing seam metal roof. Drywall is finished and volunteers are helping with interior painting. The partners page has a list of the finishing contractors and suppliers, and the donor page has a list of startup expenses that still need funding. It has been so exciting to see the progress from week to week over the winter! See the website for color photos and details about our fall grand opening.



**GRANITE HOUSE** is building a 24-hour sustainable community residence in Stillwater, Minnesota, for the long-term care of younger adults with severe brain injury who would otherwise be in a nursing home.

## VOLUNTEERS SHARE THE WORK AND MISSION



Some of our wonderful donors are also long-time friends from 3M, now retired and coming out to volunteer at the house. Here they are installing batt insulation between the walls in the bedroom wing to help with soundproofing. **Let us know if you have talents to share!**

**From left:** Greg Boettner, Tom Insley and Larry Cutler

**Granite House is a Minnesota nonprofit corporation with a mission:**

To provide support and hope to individuals and families living with severe and permanent brain injury.

# DONORS TO STARTUP FUND August – December 2017

## SUMMIT DONORS

Greg Boettner\*  
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## GRANTS/ FOUNDATIONS

Lou & Kathy Cristan  
 Charitable Trust\*  
 The Raleigh Foundation\*  
 Thrivent Choice\*  
 Amazon Smile\*

## IN-KIND DONATIONS

BASF Corporation  
 J.J. Orion  
 Lyman Lumber\*  
 Metro Panel  
 Cemstone Concrete\*  
 Fireside Hearth and Home  
 Total Energy Systems

\*Repeat Donor

## TRIBUTE GIFTS

Gift by | In memory of

Cathy Arnfelt  
*Stan Wynveen*  
 Cathy Arnfelt  
*Janet O'Connell*  
 Rick & Cathy Arnfelt  
*Tom Anderson*  
 Marjorie Strate  
*Gerald Heinbuch*

Gift by | In honor of

Rick & Cathy Arnfelt  
*Marge Strate's 90th birthday*  
 Peter & Lynn Grogan  
*Clark & Shirley Choi Grogan*  
 Lynn Grogan  
*Friendship with Carol Insley*

## INCOME SOURCES

Aug 2014 – Dec 2017

TOTAL INCOME

**\$185,400**

INDIVIDUAL DONORS

**\$139,000**

Cash or check, gifts of stock,  
 online donations

GRANTS

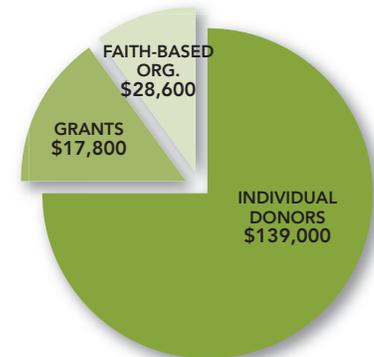
**\$17,800**

Matching grants, foundations

FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

**\$28,600**

Churches, organizations



## CAN YOU HELP WITH SOME STARTUP EXPENSES?

Think about when you moved into your first house or apartment, starting out fresh. We need to buy dishes, cookware, and bed linens like any other place, but Granite House also needs to buy lift slings, shower wheelchairs, and hospital beds. We'll wait to purchase furniture for visitors until after we get settled in. Please return the enclosed donor envelope and help us stock the rooms and cupboards for our incoming residents. Just let us know how you'd like your gift to be used. We appreciate your support!

### YOUR \$50 GIFT WILL BUY:

- A Quaking Aspen tree for the Garden
- 100 stamps for our next newsletter
- Kitchen tools and dishes
- Miscellaneous patient supplies

### YOUR \$100 GIFT WILL BUY:

- One group music therapy session
- Bed and bath linens for one resident

### YOUR \$250 GIFT WILL BUY:

- One patient ceiling lift sling
- Microwave and food grinder

### YOUR \$500 GIFT WILL BUY:

- Groceries for residents who take food by mouth
- An electric hospital bed for one resident
- Folding tables and chairs for the conference room

### YOUR \$1000 GIFT WILL BUY:

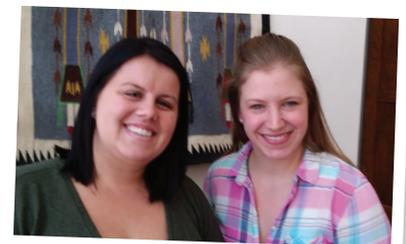
- Office computer and printer
- One shower wheelchair and shower sling

### YOUR \$5000 GIFT WILL BUY:

- One ceiling lift for our resident bedrooms
- Hardscape materials for retaining walls
- Driveway and patio materials

## NOW HIRING!

The application is on the **CAREERS** page on our website under the **CONTACT** tab. Send to [anna@granitehousemn.org](mailto:anna@granitehousemn.org)



Amber Rolewicz, house manager, left, and Anna Bohnen, RN, nursing director, will contact you to set up an interview and a tour of the house. They look forward to meeting our new caregivers.

# HIGHLIGHTING OUR GENEROUS PARTNERS

## ARCHITECTURAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES



Architectural Construction Services fabricated the panels for the standing seam metal roof.

## ABILITY SOLUTIONS



Ability Solutions is installing the residential elevator and ceiling patient lifts in the bedrooms and therapy areas at a charitable discount.

## TOTAL ENERGY SYSTEMS, LLC



**Total Energy Systems, LLC**

With special pricing on a 30kW Kohler backup generator from Total Energy Systems, our residents will be safe and secure even during a power outage.

## NORTHERN HOME SEAL + PRODUCTS



Northern Home Seal and Products did the spray foam insulation in the exterior walls and the blown-in attic insulation.

## J.J. ORION



J.J. Orion provided the installation of a central vacuum system for the house at a discounted price.

## BASF CORPORATION



BASF corporation donated the closed cell foam insulation to make the house warm and cozy for our residents.

## FIRESIDE HEARTH & HOME



Fireside Hearth and Home installed the gas fireplace in the great room and gave us a free upgrade for our trim choice.

## IDC AUTOMATIC



IDC Automatic gave Granite House a charitable discount on a garage door.

## MUSKA LIGHTING



Muska Lighting helped us choose fixtures that are energy efficient and low maintenance and partnered with us for a charitable discount.

## METRO PANEL

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Metro Panel installed the standing seam metal roof and soffits and gave Granite House a generous charitable discount.

## WARNERS STELLIAN



Warners Stellian is providing our kitchen and laundry appliances at a contractor's discount.

## FRUETEL DRYWALL

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Dennis Fruetel is installing and finishing the drywall inside the house.

# THANK YOU

## ABC MILLWORK

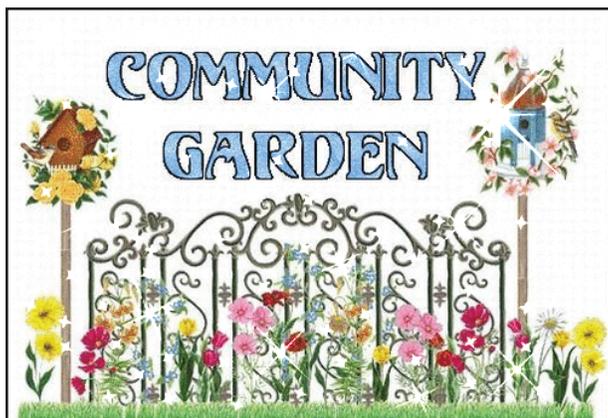


### MILLWORK

Interior doors and trim are being provided by ABC Millwork at a charitable discount.

# FOR YOUR SUPPORT

## HOME & GARDEN FUNDRAISER A SUCCESS



We had a great turnout at the new Royal Golf Club in Lake Elmo on Nov. 14, at an evening event sponsored once again by our friends at Thrivent Community-Landmark. A slide show and posters highlighted our generous construction partners and got everyone up to date on the progress of the house. Next was a presentation by the Washington County Master Gardeners about the Community Sensory Garden. Our guests supported the garden by “sponsoring” trees, shrubs, and other garden elements and saw on the plan where they will be installed. We now have dedicated funds for many of the trees and shrubs for the garden but are hoping to raise about \$6000 more to complete the plans for pathways and plantings. There’s more on the website on the SENSORY GARDEN page under the NEWS tab.

### COME DIG IN THE DIRT WITH US! VOLUNTEER SIGNUP FOR THE GRANITE HOUSE SENSORY GARDEN

We will be ready by mid-summer for hardscape and pathways prep, with most of the planting starting in late summer and into the fall. Would you like to help us plant, water, weed or mulch the garden this year? Send us an email at [carol@granitehousemn.org](mailto:carol@granitehousemn.org) or use the form on the SENSORY GARDEN page on the website under the NEWS INDEX tab.



### BEYOND THE SENSORY GARDEN



WILDFLOWERS



OAK SAVANNA

The area along the south side of the driveway will be planted in native grasses and wildflowers. Plants such as purple prairie clover, black-eyed Susan, ox-eye daisy, common milkweed, wild bergamot, and prairie rose will be included.

The hillside under the 200-year bur oak trees will be planted in savanna grasses such as big bluestem, oat grass, bottle brush grass, little bluestem and silky wild rye.

These areas have been mowed and the Master Gardeners have already made the first application of herbicide to eliminate weeds. We appreciate the donation by Prairie Restorations for the herbicide needed for the preparation for seeding.



**CAROL'S NOTE:** Here we are, finally, with a beautiful house, families eager to bring in loved ones, and staff hiring underway. Granite House is now licensed by the MN Dept of Human Services, and our hard-working board members are finalizing policies and procedures. It will be an exciting day when our first resident arrives, and we will all take a deep breath once everyone is settled in. All summer the Master Gardeners will prepare the sensory garden for fall planting with donated plants and volunteers. Our friends at Thrivent Community-Landmark will make plans to host our fall Grand Opening Event to welcome everyone to see the house. Heartfelt thanks to our donors and partners. Watch for news and your invitation in the mail — we hope you will join us in our celebration. You will be our honored guests!