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Making it Home

Center Renovation Projects – Good Samaritan Society-George

Changing demographics and expectations are challenging us to better serve older persons and others in need by creating environments that are less institutional and more like home. At Good Samaritan Society – George, we believe that nothing exceeds the need to feel loved, valued and at peace. Environment is essential to this, and providing surroundings that feel like home make a difference in everything we do.

Bringing Care to the 21st Century

Anyone who has a home more than 40 years old understands the need for renovations. In order to better serve our current and future residents, Good Samaritan Society – George is renovating the center to create a more home-like look and feel for residents, families, friends and neighbors. The institutional nurses station is one of the first things visitors encounter and does not currently offer the security needed for staff to work with protected health information or medications. Common areas for visiting family members are in short supply, as are private rooms. The center's design is no longer meeting the needs of our residents and families. Something as basic as privacy to converse with loved ones or space to sit and visit with friends should be available in one's home.

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- **Nurses Station Conversion:** A warm, welcoming and inviting lounge area with furnishings will replace our current nurses station and provide residents, families and friends an area for visiting, laughing and relaxing. The nurses' station and medication room will be moved to a former resident room. Reduced hallway congestion will allow our residents to have an open area to congregate. The cost of this project is \$70,000. Thanks to a generous estate donation, we only need to raise an additional \$30,000 to complete this project.
- **Medicare Skilled Rooms:** Refurbishing two private rooms for designation as Medicare skilled rooms will provide those who are at the center for short-term stays – after qualifying hospital stays, surgeries or on a physician's orders - a comfortable room with more home-like furnishings. The total cost for updating furnishings in both rooms is \$5,000 or \$2,500 per room.
- **Future Updates:** We also plan to create larger, more private rooms by converting two of our semi-private rooms into private rooms with bathrooms. This will allow residents and their families more space and privacy and meet the needs of upcoming generations who will see space and privacy as a necessity. Renovating our hallways and replacing our dining room window treatments will give our residents and guests a fresh, attractive atmosphere as they go to their rooms and activities and enjoy their meals. The total cost for these future updates is \$67,000.

Your Support Will Make it Happen

Your tax-deductible gifts (within IRS regulations) will make a difference and demonstrate your appreciation, compassion and support for the residents we are so privileged to serve. The total estimated cost for all currently planned renovations is \$142,000. It will take broad philanthropic support from many – making generous gifts of all sizes – to ensure that these projects reflect the needs and wants of our present and future residents. “It doesn't matter how much you have. What matters is how much you are willing to give from what you have.” 2 Corinthians 8:12.

Our Mission & History of Caring

As a not-for-profit, Medicare certified rehabilitation and skilled care center, Good Samaritan Society – George has provided for the daily care and personal, therapeutic and medical needs of thousands of seniors since 1969. Our caring, dedicated staff provides comfort, care, security and social opportunities for residents and peace of mind for family members and friends. We believe that caring for the whole person – body, mind, and spirit – is vital to living the fullest possible life. The mission of The Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society is to share God's love in word and deed by providing shelter and supportive services to older persons and others in need, believing that “In Christ's Love, Everyone Is Someone”.