



WelcomeHome
of Chattanooga

Welcome Home of Chattanooga 2022 Annual Report

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Welcome Home of Chattanooga's mission creates a community of hope, healing, and compassion for those who are facing a serious illness or death and need safe shelter.

We envision a community who works together to provide all people the opportunity to live life fully in the face of serious illness or death through compassionate care, reconciled relationships and restored dignity.

Dear Friends,

This has been a year of growth for Welcome Home as we added our second home, Little Blue, for cancer respite. We have been grateful for the support of our community; we would not be here without you. Your support has helped provide a home for those who need shelter and compassionate end of life care and now cancer care. We are reminded of this as we look back on 2022 and are thankful for all that has been accomplished.

- We provided shelter and care for 15 individuals. We currently follow and provide case management services for four individuals whose health stabilized and we were able to secure permanent supportive housing. We partnered with four area hospices in providing care for individuals.
- We realized we were caring for individuals who were dying prematurely from cancer because they were not able to receive treatment due to experiencing homelessness. We believed we should and could meet that need. We worked with the Chattanooga Tumor Clinic to create our Cancer Respite Program. In May 2022, we opened our three bedroom home, Little Blue, for cancer respite. We provided care for six individuals, one a mother with two children.
- We had several Welcome Home Orientation events for individuals interested in volunteering. We also met with groups, families and individuals at their convenience. Our Companion Caregivers and our Dinner Club Volunteers grew in 2022 as life began returning to normal after the pandemic.

Our newest group is our Go-Go Club, they help with transportation to doctor and treatment appointments, providing a valuable service and friendship for the residents we serve. Altogether, our volunteers contributed over 2,705 volunteer hours in 2022!

- We had a successful year with Demystifying Death, our education program that provides our community the opportunity to learn and talk about death and dying. We continued with our on-line events, partnering with the Blue Cross Blue Shield of TN Community Foundation, Chambliss Law Center, Partners in Care, LLC, Lane Funeral Home and Times Free Press to provide enrichment programming on helpful topics. We were able to bring back Death Over Dinner, held at Crabtree Farms. It sold out quickly. We also held a Death Cafe at Welcome Home. Twice this year (spring and fall) we partnered with the UTC Center for Professional Development to continue our 8-week on-line course on death and dying. We had great feedback and insight from attendees.

A Year of Growth

While 2021 was a big year for us with our move to our new home, this year has been a year of growth. We opened our second home, Little Blue, in May 2022 and moved in our first three residents who needed shelter in order to begin treatment for cancer. We have had some challenges with this home not having 24/7 staff, but still supported by our main house. Challenges arrived when people moved in with others who come from different backgrounds or have different points of views. We are learning from these situations, working to improve by ensuring daily support, welcoming parties to get to know one another, opportunities for shared experiences and having mental health partners in our community for those in need of counsel and extra support.

We are very grateful to partner with the Chattanooga Tumor Clinic who helps provide support for our cancer respite program. Once a resident moves in and gets settled with treatment, we begin the process of working to get a housing voucher and then assisting in finding permanent supportive housing, another challenge as our area lacks ample affordable housing at this time. We are working on creative solutions such as shared housing and partnering with area landlords to ensure successful placement.

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The following is an overview of Welcome Home of Chattanooga's operational income and expenses for the fiscal year that ended December 31, 2022. If you would like more information about our Journey to Quiet Creek Capital Campaign, please contact Sherry Campbell at sherry@welcomehomeofchattanooga.org.

Revenue	
Special Event Fundraisers	\$ 12,809.56
Gifts in Kind	\$ 9,321.07
Grant Revenue	\$ 140,750.00
Contributions (Individual, corporate, civic and faith based)	\$ 276,266.27
Room & Board and Single Case Agreement	\$ 31,015.00
Other Income (Investment and Sales)	\$ 2,934.45
Other Income (PPP Loan Forgiveness and Employee Retention Tax Credit related to the pandemic relief funds)	\$ 42,984.44
Total Revenue and Support	\$516,080.79
Total Expenses	
Program Expenses	\$ 343,185.96
Management and General Expenses	\$ 166,790.71
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 7,847.01
Total Expenses	\$517,823.68
Net Income	\$ -1,742.89

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