ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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Our Vision
The recognized model of exceptional lifelong care for adults with developmental disabilities thriving within a social community.

Our Mission
We provide exceptional residential care and choices for adults with developmental disabilities within an inclusive community, grounded in Catholic values.

Costs Covered by DDS: 65%
(CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES)

- Transportation
- 24/7 board and care

Remaining Costs We Fundraise For: 35%

- Staff training and benefits
- Salary for a medical coordinator
- Furnishings, toiletries, linens
- Purchase, repair and maintenance of homes and vehicles
- Recreational activities for residents
$965,000
TOTAL DEFICIT*

$189,000
GRANTS RECEIVED

FUNDS GENERATED:
Coming Soon!
ENCHANTED VILLAGE: 2022

$270,000
ENCHANTED VILLAGE: 2021

$70,000
TRAINING & BUSINESS CONSULTING TO HELP OTHERS BUILD PLACES LIKE NOAH HOMES

$2,321,000
ADDITIONAL FUNDS & DONATIONS RECEIVED*

+ Interest Earned on Account $35,000

*This means we were net positive for the year, however given the fluctuating funding from DDS, our ultimate need is to grow our fund to $30 million and operate using only the interest earned on the account annually.

$220,000
FUNDS RECEIVED FOR NOAH’S ARK ANGEL FOUNDATION

$4,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS IN NOAH’S ARK ANGEL FOUNDATION

+ Interest Earned on Account $122,000

*Difference between what DDS reimburses us for & our actual costs.
Resident Interest List*

APPROXIMATELY 150
*People who have expressed a desire to live at Noah Homes.

Emergency Housing Requests Received

In the past year we’ve had approximately 15 families reach out to us expressing that they need emergency placement. We were able to accommodate 2 new residents - both came from the same group home that gave residents 30 days-notice that they needed to move before the home closed.

Rooms Available

NO VACANCY
Unfortunately, it can often take years for someone with an intellectual/developmental disability to find a home of their choice in the community.
Major Funding Projects This Year

1. COMMUNITY CENTER EXPANSION (COMPLETED JUNE 2022)
   Cost: $1.6 million
   Following the opening of Pinkee’s Pantry in 2020, the Community Center is the first major overhaul since it was built in 1998. Since then, Noah Homes has doubled in size. It now includes additional office space, a beautiful new kitchen with new equipment, a mini pantry, and an expansion allowing for more space for dance parties, community meetings, classes, training, friends and family events, and so much more.

2. WALK-IN FRIDGE (PURCHASED OCTOBER 2022)
   Cost: $14,500
   Expected savings: $48,000 Annually
   Thanks to our successful partnerships with Feeding San Diego, Amazon, and others, we receive as much as 2,000 pounds of produce in one delivery, including everything from strawberries and green peppers to plums, cucumbers, and more. So much in fact, we needed a central place to keep it so residents can “shop” for favorites for their homes in our very own walk-in cooler. With rising food costs, our ability to receive fresh produce in bulk from Feeding San Diego saves us around 40% over the cost of the same items at the grocery store. These savings can then shift to paying our amazing caregivers better wages, funding fun activities for the folks, home repairs, and more.

3. GENERATOR
   Cost: $35,000
   Propane fueled generator that can fully run one of our memory care homes. We are planning to fundraise for another generator for our other memory care home next!

4. HOME IMPROVEMENT
   Cost: Ongoing

5. UPDATING TECHNOLOGY
   Cost: Ongoing
Where Are They Now?

An update on projects funded over previous years

Memory Care Homes (Est. 2017)
This January marked the 5-year anniversary of our Memory Care Homes. These are the first in California for people with developmental disabilities and now serve as a best-practice model that others are looking to replicate around the world. Since they opened, we have been fortunate to provide housing and care to 33 people in need, extending their quality of life as long as possible, surrounding them with love, joy, friendship, and more.

Dementia & Disabilities Escape™ (Est. 2018)
First developed in 2018 to offer to Noah Homes staff, Dementia & Disabilities Escape™ has expanded to allow any care professional or family members to “step into the shoes” of those they care for, experiencing the physical and emotional challenges an individual with intellectual/developmental disabilities faces in the varying stages of dementia. More than 1,000 people have gone through the experience. This training fills an educational service gap and positively impacts the lives of the individuals we serve.
Milestone Moments

1. Roommates are Reunited: Laura was an “emergency move,” in December 2021 because her home closed without new housing arrangements in place for the six residents who lived there. That also meant that she had to part ways with her long-time caregiver and her roommate, Julie, who was able to find room in another home. Only months after she moved in, Julie’s new home closed in May 2022. Thankfully, Noah Homes was able to welcome Julie as a new resident and she was reunited with Laura and many of her other friends from St. Madeleine Sophie’s Center.

2. Noah Homes Caregiving Staff Perseveres: We wouldn’t have been able to survive the pandemic without such an amazing staff! This year, our COO/Program Director Sandra Rocco-Melville celebrated her 35th year at Noah Homes. We now have more than 35 employees who have been at Noah Homes for five or more years. Together, they have provided nearly 1 million hours of care to residents since 1983!

3. Karen Finds a Heavenly Home: Karen was outgoing and determined - obtaining a degree, living independently in a one-bedroom apartment, and working for more than 20 years. In 2020, she began showing signs of dementia. At the same time, her mother was terminally ill with leukemia. Karen was able to move into Casa de Fe at Noah Homes in January of 2021. That April she moved into Casa de Lauridsen as her dementia quickly progressed. Her mother died two months later, finding peace in knowing her daughter had a loving, lifelong home. In her short time at Noah Homes, Karen made many friends and took on her own role as a caregiver for her fellow residents. Karen left us to meet her mom in Heaven on November 27, 2022. We were blessed to have a place for her at Noah Homes and blessed to be a part of her life.

New Residents

Laura S.  Julie C.
John L.  Carl L.
Timeline

MY HOME. MY CHOICE.

Noah Homes residents advocate for the right to choose their homes

April 1
The California Department of Developmental Services froze reimbursement rates — without warning — for all community care facilities that provide housing for more than six adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This is the main source of funding for Noah Homes.

June 9
Noah Homes immediately went to work, rallying supporters and asking advocates for help. The Ferrantelli family gifted Noah Homes with $1 million to use to cover the operating deficit. This meant our residents were all safe and we could focus our full attention on reversing the DDS funding decision moving forward.
June 14
To bring awareness to this critical housing issue, Noah Homes worked with Supervisor Joel Anderson and Supervisor Nathan Fletcher on a co-sponsored agenda item to bring forward at the San Diego County Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, June 14. Over 100 advocates, including people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, staff, family members, ActivCare, San Diego Regional Center, and many others in the community, attended to show their support, and dozens shared their comments during the actual meeting. The Supervisors voted YES unanimously to write a letter to Governor Newsom asking for his support.

September 20
DDS announced Noah Homes’ reimbursement rate – and all other large home providers across the state – was being increased to better align with the actual costs of care. The change is retroactive, restoring funding starting April 1, 2022.

November 7
Noah Homes formalized a policy committee to ensure Noah Homes is included and supported in future policy decisions locally, within California, and nationally.

Future
Our goal is to grow a $30 million Noah’s Ark Angel Foundation sustainable investment fund, using the fund growth to offset Noah Homes’ deficit annually.