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GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries, Inc.

EIN: 58-1871974



Year in Review 2020



You have been a part of the transformation of senior's lives! Here are a few examples of the outcomes of the mission of **GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries:**

- "...the donated items impacted my life tremendously. Regaining the sense of independence is priceless and receiving an unexpected blessing is a gift truly from God. All the items have provided a sense of relief to my life. It has inspired me to help others as well."
- "Since she moved in, her life is calmer and peaceful now. She enjoys having a place she can call home. When she received her furniture, she was so excited because this meant no more sleeping on her friends couch. The day I dropped her move-in kit off, her friends/neighbors assisted her with transferring all of her move-in kit into her apartment. She said this is life changing for her and by moving here is truly a blessing."
- "The resident stated he was living in his car. He stated the Golden Cross assistance brought him to tears and reassured him that there is a God in Heaven. He feels as if his life has been turned around and the Golden. Cross and Wesley Living is to credit. Through prayer the Golden Cross was an angel sent by God as the resident stated with tears of joy."

Mission Statement

"To enhance the quality of life for all seniors served by Wesley Living."

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Thoughts from the President...

2020 was a remarkable year and your support made it possible for our mission and ministry to continue to transform many senior's lives even in the midst of the pandemic. Your contributions and donations produced many blessings for the approximately 2,200 seniors served.

For example:

- \$36,187 was spent providing social interactions in the form of COVID appropriate community events and social activities. Onsite staff creatively implemented these programs to stimulate social interactions, combat loneliness, restore hope and reduce feelings of isolation.
- 33 formerly homeless seniors were provided sanctuary through the GOLDEN CROSS Homeless Senior Interventions. These seniors now have <u>permanent</u> housing solutions, basic household items, furniture and food.
- \$38,077 was spent on providing basic furniture, basic household items, daily use consumables and cleaning supplies to make a home for these seniors.
- \$30,757 was spent for Christmas ensuring all of our seniors had a catered Christmas meal delivered to their apartment. Each resident also received a gift from GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries.
- **44** of the most "Frail" residents were provided needed personal care through the "Personal Support Services Scholarship" program.

<u>100%</u> of your thoughtful and loving contributions go directly to the material support of the seniors we serve.

Please use the included envelope to return a blessing for the seniors served. You can text the word "seniors" to 44321 to make a one time or re-occurring donation. Donating on our website is easy at www.goldencross.org.

Your continued support of the mission of GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries enables us to handle the growing challenges facing an increasing number of seniors in need. Why is it so important?

Because no senior should ever have to travel life's journey alone!

David Kabakoff- President

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Endowment News

Be a part of the future of GOLDEN CROSS. Gifts to the GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries **Endowment Fund** are permanent. Only income growth derived from investments may ever be used in support of the Operations of the organization. Your gift keeps giving for many years to come!

It is never too late to make a lasting gift to the **Endowment**. Every dollar donated helps! Gifts from donor advised funds, distributions from qualified retirement accounts, stocks and other securities, cash and even real estate are appropriate instruments to donate.

An interestingly easy option may be to designate GOLDEN Cross Senior Ministries as a beneficiary. Beyond life insurance, many assets have designated beneficiaries.

Please consult your insurance, tax and/or estate professionals for the very best way for you to partner with GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries and maximize your long term impact.

Here is our tax ID and address for your convenience:

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Another interesting way to make a lasting impact is to include GOLDEN CROSS in your estate planning.

Frequently, people seek to leave behind a legacy that really makes a lasting difference. This type of legacy giving ensures that your generosity lives on and that the future of GOLDEN CROSS' ability to fulfill our mission and ministry is even more certain.

Please let us know how we can assist you and thank you for your support!

This article is intended to be used for educational purposes, rather than as advice. Donors are encouraged to share this information with their legal counsel, tax adviser or other qualified adviser. It is recommended that anyone undertaking estate planning do so with the consultation of an attorney.

Operations Notes...

2020 was full of unexpected happenings for us all! From a National pandemic to quarantines and wearing masks full time, we all adjusted to the times and did our part to stay safe and healthy.

GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries made adjustments as well to ensure the health of everyone. The Board of Trustees and the GOLDEN CROSS Key Women's group started meeting virtually over Zoom as well as interacting with Wesley Staff through video. The GOLDEN CROSS office was unable to receive donations into the building and get them out to the residents as quickly as we have been able to in the past, but we improvised and began having donations shipped directly to the communities. GOLDEN CROSS staff began dividing the workweek in the office and remotely as well. While some transitions were a learning process, we all kept moving forward to ensure the mission of GOLDEN CROSS continued on.

GOLDEN CROSS purchased over 10,000 masks for all seniors served as well as thermometers, hand sanitizer and other cleaning products. We were blessed with many groups wanting to help with bountiful donations of paper goods, hand soap and sanitizer, sanitizing and cleaning products as well as individual activities for residents to do in their homes. Donors, staff, residents and GOLDEN CROSS all working together saw great results during this time of change. Thank you to everyone for helping to make the necessary transitions as smooth as possible and helping to ensure the needs of those GOLDEN CROSS serves were met, even in a pandemic.

"We keep moving forward, opening a new door and doing new things because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths."- Walt Disney

Kristi Owens

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Bolton UMC

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Christ Memphis UMC

Joy Class

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Positive Christian Singles

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Agape Class

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Open Door Sunday School Class

Parables Class

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Colonial Park UMC

Adult Class

Covenant Class

Covenant UMC

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Seekers Class

UMW

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Emmanuel UMC

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Wesley Class

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Faith Oakland UMC

The Rock Sunday School Class

First Church Memphis UMC

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Martin's Chapel UMC

Memphis Conference UMW

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Newman Class

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Coming up...

Mark your calendars for **April 6, 2021** at 10am for the first ever

"GOLDEN CROSS Virtual Open House"

Take a "tour" of the many ways this ministry transforms the lives of the seniors we serve and discover how many opportunities there are to get involved. It is a great way to invite others to find out even more.

Please go to

www.goldencross.org





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SAVE THE DATE!!!

21st Annual GOLDEN CROSS Golf Classic

Thursday September 9, 2021
Windyke Country Club
Memphis, TN
If you only play once per year,





It is never too late or too early to truly make a difference in the lives of the approximately 2,200 seniors served by Wesley Living and celebrate

GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries.

Contact us at **901.213.1930** or **info@goldencross.org** to make contributions or to request GOLDEN CROSS Senior Ministries materials.

Hearing GOLDEN CROSS stories of life transformations can be very inspirational. Invite us to speak at your church service, Sunday School class or other group meeting.

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