

# Waterman Communities FOUNDATION

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Dear Residents and Donors:

Have you noticed the giving thermometers around the campus? They have recently been upgraded to show something just short of a miracle. The Waterman Communities Foundation has succeeded in fulfilling its goal of creating a \$500,000 + fund in just eight months. In fact, we're well over our goal and still counting.

What brought this success about? A genuine expression of gratitude, love and generosity by many of our resident givers is clearly evident. Waterman Village residents, along with some employees and outside vendors, said "yes, we want to build for the future". This large fund will now ensure a steady flow of income for the Foundation's Board of Directors to expend on behalf of residents and employees.

So how did this happen so quickly? It's very typical for a campaign of this nature to drag on for more than a year. A lot of preparatory work was put in place by a dedicated Committee of eight naive but eager Board members. The Committee laid out strategy, produced a volume of campaign literature and endeavored to raise community awareness about the Waterman Communities Foundation.

It appears we were successful and you as donors heard our message. Over thirty percent of the living units on the campus contributed. Are we done? Of course not! This is only the beginning. The Foundation Board of Directors has recently created a Resident Donor Focus Group to assist in plotting a path forward, guiding the BOD in structure and spending.

We encourage your continued annual contributions. We also ask you to consider the Foundation in your estate plan to help us build a much larger footprint on the Waterman Campus. For folks who contributed, we are forever grateful. For those who haven't yet given, opportunity awaits. We thank you in advance.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,



Arvon D. Byle, President