

Dear _____,

November 2016

Meet Roger, Tom, & Midge who serve on the Participant Advisory Council at Grace Center. They have asked for the opportunity to tell you, a fellow community member, what **your support** of Grace Center **means to them** & their fellow participants.



Roger – “A place for everyone”

Here at Grace Center, everyone is accepted. There is a wide variety of people at Grace Center with different conditions, different backgrounds, & different needs. **It’s ok to be me here.** We are treated as individuals. This is a place of peace, not of conflict or criticism. Grace Center understands disabilities but focuses on abilities. We enjoy each other & share with each other. I see it as friends helping you along the way.

Your support helps create equality.
Grace Center treats everyone we serve with
compassion, dignity, & respect

Tom – “A place of my own”

When I’m at home, my life revolves around my kids. And I love that. But when I’m here, I can work on my art & focus on myself. Recovering from my stroke is a long road. I need to practice every single day. Like working on my speech – my ability to speak is getting better because I’m able to talk with people a lot here. It’s nice being around other people & having a place to go outside of my home. I do my walking here too. And I use the nu-step exercise machine. I like that **I have choice when I’m here.**



Your gift will assist Grace Center in continuing to empower Tom & others by supporting diversity, self-determination, & independence.

Midge – “My home away from home”

Grace Center cares about us & that is wonderful! I like the people here, I like the staff – they are beautiful! **I am respected here.** There is always someone encouraging you who cares about you. If it weren’t for Grace Center, I would be at home every day just doing puzzles, coloring, & watching TV. My daughter is at work all day. I like to be here to talk to people about my life & share my memories with them. It’s a break from just being in my head all day when I’m alone. It feels good to share my thoughts & life with people.

A donation to Grace Center supports our efforts of excellence by acting with integrity & striving for the highest quality care & service.



Grace Center’s mission is to provide day services that optimize the cognitive & physical abilities of seniors & adults with disabilities so they can remain as independent as possible & in their homes. **Our goal this year is to raise \$25,000** to help advance our services through innovative practices which keep families together & our communities intergenerational. **Here’s what your gift can accomplish:**

- \$100** provides a participant a weekly shower for 1 month
- \$500** allows a family caregiver to attend a monthly support group/training for an entire year
- \$1000** offers 2 participants 6 months’ worth of weekly, 1 hour exercise & therapy sessions
- \$1500** enables Grace Center to expand on innovative memory care practices

Grace Center relies on the faithful financial giving of you, our supporter, to continue to provide affordable adult day services benefiting our participants & their family care partners. Thank you for caring about the community you live in & for supporting people like Roger, Tom, & Midge. After all, **investing in one person is investing in an entire community.**

Your fellow community members,

Rene Knight
Rene Knight
Director of Operations

Roger
Roger

Tera Stegner
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Director of Community Relations

Tom
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