

INSIDE THE FRONT DOOR



A FATHER'S LOVE

Derek never needed help supporting his family. Then the pandemic hit and he lost his job.

Derek is a local chef and the sole provider for his wife and their 13-year-old-daughter. Last year, his job was furloughed because of the COVID-19 pandemic. He received unemployment, but it was nowhere close to his salary. Soon, he fell behind on rent.

"I found myself without my job and in real need, shaking the stability of our family in ways I could not have predicted," Derek said. "We have never asked for assistance before and I was not even sure how to go about doing such."

Derek came to the Front Door Agency and worked with our Housing Stability Program Manager, Doug Howard, to get the assistance he needed to prevent his eviction. "The whole situation was very embarrassing for me," said Derek. "And Doug did everything to not make me feel embarrassed."

Today, Derek is self-sufficient again. "You saved us from a terrible situation that could have included homelessness," he said. "And you did so in the most effective and empowering way."

For more information on our Housing Stability Program, or to apply for assistance, please visit us online at www.frontdooragency.org.

"I would like to thank everyone at The Front Door Agency (especially Doug) for not just the assistance that you provided, but rather the way in which you provided it."



Maryse Wirbal, CEO

With summer just around the corner and things returning to normal in our community, we have a lot to be grateful for!

First, I'd like to thank our partners like the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua who help the single mothers in our Transformational Housing Program access affordable childcare, especially during the summer. This helps these women pursue academic and professional goals, ultimately allowing them to build a better future for their families.

Next, I'd like to thank three long-time Agency supporters who are stepping down from our Board of Directors: Cory Hussey (7 years of service), Tina-Marie Liles (2 years of service), and Dave McGinley (9 years of service). I cannot thank them enough for their various contributions to the Agency. I'd also like to welcome three new professionals to our Board: Jim Kuhnert (Consultant & Educator), Bill Luk (BAE Systems) and Tony Rozon (Santander Bank). Welcome to the Front Door Agency family!

Finally, thank you to everyone who participated in the 33rd Annual Gourmet Festival & Auction! You helped us raise \$142,000 to help families in Greater Nashua. I can't wait to see everyone in person at next year's event!



FRONT DOOR AGENCY EXPANDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING INVENTORY

Earlier this year, the Agency purchased 57-59 Marshall Street in Nashua. The duplex is the sixth property owned by the Agency that offers affordable housing to local families that qualify. The purchase was made possible thanks to funding from the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery Shelter Modification Grant, the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire, the Ann De Nicola Trust, and the Mary Louise Billings Trust.

AGENCY AWARDED \$125,000 TO ADDRESS RENTAL CRISIS



The Front Door Agency, the leading homelessness prevention provider in Greater Nashua, is one of 32 recipients of this year's TD Charitable Foundation's Annual Housing For Everyone grant. The Agency will use these funds to help local individuals and families through its Housing Stability Program, which offers assistance with most housing-related costs, interest-free security deposit loans, and rapid rehousing.



A MESSAGE FROM THE REV. DR. ROBERT "ODIE" ODIERNA

As a long-time supporter of the Front Door Agency, I sincerely appreciate your faith in us as a worthy cause. As you can imagine, the need for the Agency's services in our community is increasing. But with your support, we provide the tools, direction and support necessary for families to stabilize, transform and flourish as contributing members of our community. I'd like to invite you to consider the Agency's Planned Giving Program by joining our Legacy Society. It's easy to join, and your gift will help us transform the lives of families in our community for generations to come. To learn more, scan the QR code with your cell phone camera, or contact Nicole Ennis at (603) 816-0293. Thank you, and God bless!





**Vote for the Front Door Agency!
(You could win \$100)**

The Agency was nominated for Bellwether Community Credit Union's 100 Days of Giving Back Sweepstakes! Through August 9, everyone that votes for their favorite charity will be entered to win one of five \$100 cash prizes. With each \$100 drawing, Bellwether will donate \$500 to the charity with the most votes. The two charities with the most total votes at the end of the contest will receive an additional \$1,000!

Scan the QR code
to vote now!



MAIN OFFICE RENOVATIONS ARE COMPLETE!



The first floor of our main office on 7 Concord Street in Nashua was renovated to accommodate our growing team and to help us better serve our clients. The highlight of the renovation is our new reception area, pictured left. An updated heating

and cooling system was installed throughout the building, additional office space was created, and all three bathrooms were updated. A big thank you to everyone who made this project possible, including Schroeder Construction Management.

For before and after photos of our main office renovation and our recent Norwell Home renovation, scan the QR code:



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**33rd Annual Gourmet Festival
& ONLINE
AUCTION**



You helped us raise \$142,000 to fight homelessness in Greater Nashua!

Thank you to those who donated or bid on auction items, purchased meal tickets, participated in our Golden Brick Raffle, or donated to our Fund-A-Need. We look forward to seeing everyone in person next year!

INSIDE: How your support helped a local father avoid eviction, a special message from Odie, and exciting news about our fight to address the rental crisis in Greater Nashua.

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS PARTNERS FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT!

