

Fall 2021 Newsletter



Maryse Wirbal, CEO

This summer brought a sense of hope. We thought we overcame the worst of the pandemic. Holidays were celebrated, people attended

in-person events, and we became less dependent on Zoom. But the Delta variant had other plans. While we've all felt frustration and uncertainty, we've also experienced compassion and resiliency. As more people get vaccinated and we continue to demonstrate kindness to one another, we will persevere!

In January, the Front Door Agency will celebrate its 35th anniversary! As we celebrate, we will build on lessons learned, opportunities gained and embark on our next strategic planning initiative. This process will help shape the vision of the Agency, including how to best meet the evolving needs of our community. We will ask supporters, community friends and clients we serve for input. Thank you in advance for sharing your thoughts!

I would like to recognize my wonderful team who work tirelessly to help our most vulnerable neighbors stabilize, transform and flourish into self-sufficiency. I am proud of their work, and of our many client accomplishments.

I hope you enjoy the fall season! Please continue to be kind to one another, be safe and be well.



COUPLE DONATES STIMULUS CHECK TO HELP A LOCAL NURSE & SINGLE MOTHER OF TWO

Like many of us, Robert and Sarah received a stimulus check earlier this year. When they talked about what to do with it, they agreed that there are people in the community who could use the money more than they could.

They decided they wanted to help someone impacted by the pandemic, particularly a first responder or nurse, and a landlord struggling to make ends meet due to their tenants inability to pay rent.

Robert and Sarah were referred to the Front Door Agency, and their generous donation was put to use right away. Rebecca, a single mother of two employed as an LNA, had recently reached out to us for assistance with her rent. She got injured at work and was out for almost a month. When she returned to work, she was put on light duty and her hours were reduced, leaving her behind on bills and struggling to make ends meet.

Our Housing Stability Program Manager helped Rebecca create a plan to pay back part of what she owed, and Robert and Sarah's donation covered the rest. Their donation not only helped a young mother and her children avoid eviction, but also supported Rebecca's landlord who would have gone without the rental income he relies on.



Robert and Sarah, Nashua



BACK-TO-SCHOOL HAS NEVER LOOKED SO GOOD!

A generous donation from the Amherst Junior Women's Club allowed every mother and child in our Transformational Housing Program to pick out a new pair of shoes from Alec's Shoes in Nashua. Each child also received a gift card to purchase a new outfit, and a backpack filled with school supplies from the Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter, and the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Many families that move into our Norwell Home arrive with nothing but the clothes on their backs. New back-to-school gear is a huge confidence boost for the 13 kids in the Program who returned to the classroom this fall and are desperate to fit in with their peers. Thank you for helping them start the year off on the right foot as their mothers work hard to become self-sufficient!

DONATIONS NEEDED!

We are in need of paper products for the families living in our Norwell Home (toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, and Clorox wipes). If you can help, please drop items off or ship them to:

**The Norwell Home
12 Concord Street
Nashua, NH 03064**

A little goes a long way.



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Great Taste, Great Cause!

October 1 - December 31

Odd Fellows will donate \$1 to the Front Door Agency for every pint of their **VISION IPA** purchased.

Help a child in need this Holiday Season!



Last year, hundreds of donors provided gifts, warm clothing, and food to **500** children in need through our Holiday Program. If you can help fulfill a child's wishlist, or if you need assistance this holiday season, please scan the QR code to the right.



INSIDE: How one couple's stimulus check helped a local nurse and single mother of two avoid eviction, back-to-school for the children in our Transformational Housing Program, donations needed, and more!



Thank you to the students who celebrated Rivier University's Day of Service by volunteering with us!



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