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Summer 2021



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BONA VISTA PROGRAMS ARE NOW
PARTNERING TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



I knew 2021 was going to be challenging coming out of the rollercoaster that was 2020. I also knew that this community would come together, rise together and support each other through another year of uncharted waters. With that being said, I am always so taken back in awe and so very grateful for the people that continuously show up to support Bona Vista Programs. Staff, donors, sponsors – all of you play such a huge part in our successes.

To the staff – thank you to all of you that have provided such excellent care to those that are unable to care for themselves. The work you do is absolutely selfless. No matter what your day is like, how much you have worked, you always put those we serve before yourselves. You are their family. Thank you.

To the donors and sponsors – as a non-profit, this is essential to our livelihood. Thank you to those who donate your hard earned money to our cause. It allows us to focus our resources in many different program areas, and to you, we are continuously and forever thankful.

Finally, I want to address our most recent and exciting news – the merger. Bona Vista Programs merged with Developmental Services, Inc. (DSI) based out of Columbus, Indiana. It has been a smooth transition, and we are so excited to provide comprehensive care together in Southern and Central Indiana. Don't worry, we are still Bona Vista Programs locally, and that will remain true.

I look forward to cooler weather and more exciting news to come as we move into the future with DSI and you – our community, our family and our friends.

Stay well,

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Sponsor Spotlight

Thank you to our All-Inclusive Sponsors that decided at the beginning of the year to donate to EACH of our special events throughout 2021! The following sponsors supported Bona Vista at Viva Las Vista, Disability Awareness Basketball Game and the Birdies, Bourbons & Beer Golf Outing! Thank you for your ongoing support!

TO ENCOURAGE

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TO BUILD



GRANTED 3 Wishes...

Thank you to these three grants
received over the summer:

1



Duke Energy granted Bona Vista's employment program, WorkForce Diversity, money to pay a weekly stipend to students enrolled in the Pre-Employment Transition Program to train as a Direct Support Professional!

2



CITY of KOKOMO

Community Development Block Grant funds were granted to Bona Vista to support the Adult Day Services at our newly renovated Crossing location – 1221 S. Plate Street – Kokomo.

3



United Way of Howard & Tipton Counties granted funds to Bona Vista to support all Adult Day Programs and our community partnerships to strengthen resources available to those in our communities.



CHRISTMAS *in July* 2021

Christmas Celebrations looked a lot different in 2020 with COVID looming over us, so we waited until we could celebrate safely outside and socially distanced in July! Boy, it was a HOT one; but so much fun! Bona Vista provided lunch, cotton candy, popcorn and ice cream to all staff and clients enrolled in our services. There were over 30 clients in our Christmas Talent show which was hosted by Kokomo Fire Chief, Chris Frazier and judged by Jessica Green from Z92.5, Jonathan Rogers from WWKI, Kevin Summers representing IUK Police, and Kokomo Firefighter Kevin Cox.





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