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## ROBERT'S STORY: NEVER LOSING HOPE

At 56, Robert's life changed in an instant.

A serious injury on the job left him unable to work. Without family or a safety net, medical bills quickly mounted. Despite his best efforts, Robert lost his housing and found himself living in his car with nowhere else to go.

Standing 6 foot 2 inches tall, the cramped confines of his small vehicle made each night a painful ordeal.

His injuries worsened from the long, uncomfortable hours trying to sleep, but Robert refused to lose hope. He became a familiar face at The Lord's Place Fortin Family Campus, arriving most days for breakfast and lunch before reluctantly returning to his car each evening.

What struck staff most about Robert was his unfailing positivity.

Every single day, he walked through the doors with a genuine smile and grateful for the meals and services he received and hopeful that one day he might be a candidate for our housing programs. His good attitude and determination didn't go unnoticed.

In November 2023, Robert's patience and perseverance paid off.

He was accepted into the William K. Mann Place for Men, where his true healing journey began. Finally in a safe, stable home, Robert was connected to medical benefits and social security. He quickly became a model resident, always the first to help the next person in line or lend a hand to staff members.

EVERYONE DESERVES A STABLE HOME WHERE THEY CAN AGE WITH DIGNITY.

is designed to serve—an aging adult facing chronic health conditions and long-term challenges, who deserves a stable home where he can age with dignity and access the comprehensive care he needs.

Today, Robert is awaiting surgery that, while necessary, means he will never be able to return to work due to the extent of his injuries.

Our team is working diligently to find him subsidized housing, but Robert represents exactly the type of individual Bill's Place

Robert's journey reminds us why projects like Bill's Place are so vital. With the right support and housing designed for his needs, individuals like Robert can move beyond survival to truly heal, rebuild, and look toward the future with hope.



ROBERT WAS CONNECTED TO MEDICAL BENEFITS AND SOCIAL SECURITY.

## A NEW CHAPTER OF HOPE: BILL'S PLACE TAKES SHAPE!

We are thrilled to share exciting progress on Bill's Place, our long-awaited 15-bed supportive housing campus designed specifically for aging men experiencing homelessness in West Palm Beach!

The beautiful campus includes six residential cottages and a central main house. Each cottage will provide a warm, shared home for two residents, while the main house will accommodate three individuals with higher health needs and include dedicated space for on-site staff. We're delighted to report that cottage



renovations are complete, and work on the main house is progressing beautifully! Construction will be complete by early April, with the campus ready to welcome residents by late summer or early fall.

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Bill's Place will serve up to 15 single adult men, age 55 and older, facing complex challenges such as chronic health conditions, behavioral health needs, and long-term instability. Residents will have access to safe, affordable housing paired with comprehensive wraparound services—including case management, benefits navigation, peer support, life skills instruction, job training, and SOAR assistance.

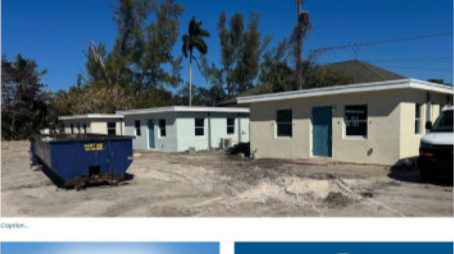
Health care coordination will be a cornerstone of this transformative program. All residents will be screened for The Lord's Place CARE Team, our integrated health care initiative. Through our multidisciplinary approach, residents receive support with insurance enrollment, medical transportation, primary and behavioral health care connections, and housing stabilization—proven to reduce emergency service use while dramatically improving long-term outcomes.

Bill's Place is intentionally designed for older adults with compassion and dignity, beyond accessibility and health supports,

programming emphasizes social connection and quality of life through activities that reduce isolation, promote wellness, strengthen relationships, and support independence. Residents also receive guidance on long-term planning, including health decision-making and end-of-life preparation.

The need has never been greater. More than 200 services age 62 and older experience homelessness in Palm Beach County daily, with many more over 55 living in frail health. Nationally, older adults are the fastest-growing segment of the homeless population, yet age-specific supportive housing remains critically limited.

Bill's Place represents a momentous step forward—providing quality housing with age-responsive services that help older adults stabilize, heal, and age with dignity. This vital project is made possible by the generous support of the Pulte Family Foundation and Palm Beach County. We are deeply grateful to everyone who has made this dream a reality, and we look forward to welcoming our first residents home!



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It only takes a few minutes to set up. Share it with family, friends, and coworkers. Whether it's for a special occasion like a birthday or anniversary, or a fun event like a bake sale, you can invite others to join you in helping to break the cycle of homelessness in Palm Beach County.

Scan the QR code to get started today!

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## 2ND ANNUAL MARCH TO END HOMELESSNESS MARCHING FOR PEACE, LOVE, AND HOUSING

THE LORD'S PLACE MARCH TO END HOMELESSNESS



On Friday, February 27th, The Lord's Place hosted its 2nd Annual March to End Homelessness, welcoming more than 200 passionate marchers united by a shared belief that everyone deserves a home.



The Honorable Ann Brown

The celebratory event featured inspiring testimonies from past and current clients of The Lord's Place — Dominique Adams and Sabena. There was live music and delicious food provided by Café Joshua and the Miel Mobile. The M.A.R.C.H. Award — honoring those who Mobilize, Advocate, Respond, and Commit to end Homelessness — was proudly presented to Secretary Denney Scarpola Reinhardt & Shipley.

The March surpassed its \$350,000 fundraising goal, raising more than \$400,000 — a total that will be matched by the Honorable Ann Brown. Generous support from top sponsors, including the Ewelyn Burke Private Foundation and CL Homes, made this incredible milestone possible.

From start to finish, the day was a powerful testament to community and advocacy, all in the spirit of "Peace, Love, and Housing!"



Marchers Ellen Kaufmann, Annie Cardelus, Jones and Kathryn Henderson



The Lord's Place Staff Dignity Ashley and Rupert Williams



The Lord's Place Staff Charles Hill and Brittany Dorn



The Lord's Place CEO Christine Frederick, Jack Scarpola and Cornelia Thornburgh, The Lord's Place Board Chair



Staff and community advocating for change.

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## THE LORD'S PLACE BOARD

ON THE MOVE

Jim Kukula



Jim is assuming the role of Board Chair this Spring after a decade of dedicated service to The Lord's Place, including instrumental work as volunteer architect on the new Fortin Family Campus and hands-on support in the Job Ready Program.

His deep commitment to TLP's mission and extensive contributions through the Board of Directors and Housing and Facilities Committee make him exceptionally prepared to lead the organization forward. Cornelia Thornburgh transitions from Board Chair to focus her leadership on The Lord's Place Foundation, where she will continue championing the organization's vital work.



WELCOME

Luisa Borges



Luisa brings extensive community leadership experience and deep personal commitment to The Lord's Place Board, having volunteered regularly at Café Joshua for five years serving meals and connecting with those experiencing homelessness.

A former aviation executive and active board member with organizations, including Cross for Success Boston and The Martha's Vineyard Museum, she is eager to deepen her impact and support TLP's mission at a strategic level.

Kerry Diaz



Kerry joins The Lord's Place Board with unparalleled institutional knowledge, having served as the organization's interim CEO in 2025 and COO from 2021-2022.

An attorney and nonprofit consultant with more than 30 years of experience—including prior leadership as CEO of Quantum Foundation—she brings expertise across all dimensions of nonprofit management and remains inspired by TLP's compassionate, street-level approach to serving people in need.

WE WELCOME LUISA AND KERRY TO THE BOARD WITH OPEN ARMS, AND ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR THEIR SERVICE ALONGSIDE OUR NEW LEADER, JIM!

## WHY BECOME A MONTHLY DONOR?

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Become a monthly donor and help us bring about positive change in our community. Your consistent support means the world to our clients!

\$100 pays for an entire month of Café Joshua lunch for one client.



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## FREE TOURS

Discover The Lord's Place in Action!

Experience firsthand the impact of our life-changing work by joining us for a campus tour. Choose from three convenient options:



1 **Virtual Tour**  
Take our engaging 5-minute virtual tour featuring Christine Frederick, available anytime at [TheLordsPlace.org/Our-Events/Take-a-Tour/](https://TheLordsPlace.org/Our-Events/Take-a-Tour/)

2 **In-Person Tour**  
Visit us on-site to see our facilities and meet our team and clients.

3 **Zoom Tour**  
Join us monthly from the comfort of your computer or phone for a live, interactive experience.

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