Volunteers and Donors Recognized

155 donors, volunteers, friends, and staff virtually attended the 2021 Volunteer and Donor Recognition—Hope is in the Air. During the pandemic in 2020, Needs
emerged without clear solutions. Staff responded quickly with ingenuity. We often reached out to donors and volunteers for help and they responded quickly to unanticipated needs.

**Congrats to new U.S. Citizen, Sarah Mwah**

On May 6 Sarah was sworn in as an American Citizen. Sarah is from Liberia and has been with Episcopal Homes since January of 2013. She started off as a Homemaker and is now on the Housekeeping Team. When needed, she is always willing to jump back into her Homemaking role and prepare food for the Residents. Sarah primarily works in the Sister Annette and Isabella Households. Lately she has been taking on special deep clean projects in all the Kitchens and Spa's for the Campus.

**Inez Kalle, ECH DON, featured on MPR**

According to the Minnesota Department of Health, 57 percent of staff in skilled nursing homes statewide have their shots, and a somewhat smaller percentage — 48 percent — of workers in assisted living facilities are vaccinated. A much higher proportion of long-term care residents, 80 to 90 percent, have their vaccines.

*Inez shared Episcopal Homes' efforts in helping our staff become vaccinated against Covid. Inez is truly a role model and leader—we're so lucky to have her!*

**Employee Emergency**
Assistance Program

During June, Episcopal Homes Foundation will work with facility managers to roll out our Employee Emergency Assistance Program for the first time. Our goal was to raise $50,000 before making any awards, and with the goodwill and gifts of our donors - including staff members and residents - we have now reached our goal! More details to come in the coming weeks.

NeighborCare now on campus for residents

Recently, all home care and services at Episcopal Homes have now been transferred to the care of NeighborCare, Episcopal Homes' innovative home care model.

Refer a friend, get rewarded!

Employee Anniversaries
Thank you for your commitment!

One Year
Martina Grecequet
Carolina Moore
Katelyn Klefstad
Dorothy Akanwa

Two Years
Sigurd Ostlie-Olson
Christina Waters
Christine Bezio
Jess Demeules
Betty Tuolee Yama

Three Years
Gabriela Lazo
Kaitlin Kubes
Carolyn Roy

Four Years
Theresa Onyancha
Angerline Chubby
Todd Hanson

Five Years
Jennifer Bisek
Kelsey Syltie

Welcome to our New Hires!

Housekeeper
Gemechu Genemo

Culinary Aide
Loreali Carlson
Travis Ecklund
Cassie Leland

NAR
Zaybrea Jenkins

Shahbaz
Virginia Robinson
Sia Sesay

Server
Eleanor Bliss

Episcopal Homes Foundation
Kristin Rigg

Welcome Kristin Rigg!
Kristin joined Episcopal Homes Foundation in April this year. She last was the Director of Development and Communications at a housing nonprofit in Plymouth that serves victims of domestic violence and people experiencing substance use disorder. She worked at LifeSource, the Alzheimer’s Association and as a consultant to nonprofits, focused on development/fundraising and governance. She has a Master’s in Nonprofit Management from the Hamline University School of Business. Kristin is excited to bring her talents, experience and passion for senior care to Episcopal Homes and the Foundation.

Personally, she has navigated being a member of the “sandwich generation” and is launching her third child who will be a sophomore at Grinnell College in the fall. An avid runner, she runs the Lakes of Minneapolis every weekend, stopping to watch the wildlife, especially eagles and migratory waterfowl.

As we are able to go between buildings, look for Kristin and introduce yourself to her. She wants to know each of you and learn what makes you excited to work here.
Are you a part of our employee Facebook group?

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