GILEAD
COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC
Improving Lives, Building Futures

2021 Annual Report

A TRADITION OF GIVING

For 25 years, the Simon Family brings warmth to a Winter's Day! It's a holiday tradition. Every Christmas morning, the Simon family wakes early and heads to Gilead's Social Club to cook a special meal for clients.

"We've been doing it for 25 years," says Barry Simon, President and CEO of Oak Hill. "My kids were there from the beginning. Even helping as toddlers, bringing chips to the tables, playing games with the clients and helping to clean up."

For Barry's family, his wife Sue, and daughters Mareyna, Nyla and Taryn, this act of generosity marks an annual reminder that the "season of giving" is more than a cliché printed on a holiday greeting card.

"From the beginning, it was a fabulous opportunity to teach my daughters about volunteering, giving, and seeing the difference they could make," Simon says.

This tradition started when Simon was just beginning his career. In 1993 Simon was working with the ACT team. He formed close relationships and made countless connections with clients during his time at Gilead. He learned that an ACT client celebrated her birthday on December 25th alone. He saw that she, along with many other clients, had nowhere to go and no one to spend that day with.

"It's all about forming relationships and creating trust. This holiday dinner was a special way to strengthen these connections," Barry says.

Barry and his family prepare the meal at the Social Club for about 20-30 clients with everything needed to celebrate the day – ham, mashed potatoes, vegetables, salad, and of course dessert! Clients are sent home with leftovers for another meal.

Barry's family is so committed, they even schedule their vacation around it. "Occasionally we'd be heading out for a holiday trip, but we made sure the meal came first. Then we'd leave Gilead and go straight to the airport. The importance of it to the family is pretty remarkable."

The relationships formed between the clients and family are real. "It's more than just providing a meal. This has been one of those genuine times together. Year after year – the kids would ask about clients. Clearly they were making connections as well."

Things changed during the pandemic when a get-together at the Social Club was not possible. For the past two years, Barry and his family prepared special holiday boxed meals, with Gilead staff delivering to client's homes. **"It was even more important to try and do something special during the pandemic. But honestly, we can't wait until we're able to all sit in the same room again to enjoy the meal together."**

LEGACY SOCIETY

We are truly grateful to the members of Gilead's Legacy Society. Cathy and Bob Boone share why they are committed to investing in Gilead's future.

When I joined the Board in 2016, I knew Gilead did good work in the community but we didn't realize how far reaching their impact was. Through events like Quizine and the Road Race, and Board service we have since seen the tremendous work the organization does with its clients.

Gilead maintains the spirit of the agency's founders who wanted to help Connecticut Valley Hospital clients who were being released into the community with little or no support. Since 1968, Gilead has provided structure to their lives and improved the quality of those lives. Gilead's impact on the community benefits all by reducing the stigma of mental illness and having clients seen as neighbors and friends. Gilead's staff are amazing and give far more than they are rewarded for. For these reasons and more, we are proud to support Gilead!

As we have gotten to know more about Gilead, we have increased our giving to the agency. We have made a posthumous gift to insure that our support survives us.

- Cathy & Bob Boone

2021: WITH GRATITUDE!

As 2021 came to an end, and we reflected on a year that was filled with another 12 months of COVID protocols, restrictions, testing, vaccines, isolation, quarantines, sickness, recovery, loss, political tensions and perseverance, we are left with one resounding and unexpected emotion: **gratitude.**

LOVE & COMPASSION. This year, we gathered at the Middletown Social Rehab Center on a chilly fall morning to remember, mourn and celebrate the lives of several amazing people who will always remain part of the Gilead Family and who passed away over the last few years. While their circumstances were all different, some connected to the pandemic, others not, what was shared was the outpouring of love and compassion that was both given and received. This legacy of love and compassion is a unique mark of the Gilead experience and one that fills us all with such immense gratitude.

PERSEVERANCE & RESILIENCE. Throughout this challenging and rewarding year, we have also been filled with gratitude and amazement as we witness the steadfast perseverance and resilience of the people that we serve. Despite the day to day struggles and the challenges of a pandemic, our clients find the joy in life that lifts them above their obstacles. No experience this year was greater evidence of this than the 2021 Gilead Camping Trip! This highly anticipated destination event produced the reward of joy and relaxation because of the perseverance (and creativity) of our amazing clients!

INCREDIBLE STAFF. One certainty of 2021 is that we would not have persevered through this challenging year without the commitment, compassion and endless sacrifices made by our incredible staff. Each challenge that this year could offer was met with creativity, determination and grace from people who choose to serve others as their vocation. We are filled with gratitude for the hundreds of grocery runs, game nights, outdoor adventures, new apartments, months of sobriety, families reunited, healing and growth achieved because of the personalized and compassionate approach of our amazing staff!

GENEROSITY. With all of its challenges, this year was another example of the boundless generosity of our dedicated and committed supporters. In fact, the generosity that was expressed by our donors this year was unprecedented. Our reimagined outdoor Quizine event was a huge success for the second straight year; our movement event engaged hundreds while giving back to our community; and our Annual Appeal and Matching Campaign raised record level donations from our amazing and generous supporters!

IMPACT. This year will forever be marked by the continued impact that this organization has been able to have on the lives of the people that we serve. We were able to expand the range of our services through the Gilead Community Resource Coordination Program, which provided essential services and basic needs supports to thousands of people in our community throughout the pandemic. Finally, in the midst of a pandemic and societal tensions it has been the love, commitment and courage to stand up for what is right that has allowed Gilead to continue to shine as a place of hope and recovery! Landmark rulings in Gilead's Fair Housing and Tax Exemption legal cases have protected the rights of people with disabilities in Connecticut and across the country.

For all of this and for the hope of the New Year, we are forever grateful for all of you and for the compassion and love that marks Gilead as a special place of hope and recovery!

- Dan Osborne, CEO &
Laura Patey, Board Chair

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Our Gilead family came together on a chilly day in November to celebrate and honor the clients, staff and friends who had passed away over the last few years.

While it was a somber event, we were graced by clients and staff sharing memories of those that they had worked with, and for. People mentioned favorite nicknames of one client, and a favorite song of another. Client and staff antics described as happy memories filtered through the group. Pastor, Peter Zipf, carried us along during the Ceremony.

We purchased three Japanese Willows to be planted in honor of our loved ones. Several clients helped to plant them the day before the Ceremony. One part of the morning was writing on ribbons and attaching them to the three trees in front of the building. Some people wrote messages, others wrote a name, to honor a client or friend. Today, the ribbons ride on the breezes that come around that corner of the Clubhouse.

We enjoyed a tasty smorgasbord of fruit, muffins and danish after the Ceremony, still sharing stories and living for a small moment in the lives of those that have passed.

- Patricia Burke, Community Program Director
Social Rehabilitation Center

DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

Gilead understands that necessary change related to injustice, inequality and systemic racism will not happen overnight. As an organization and in partnership with Oak Hill and Easterseals, we are committed to take the next steps to examine ourselves and ask the right questions to ensure that we are moving in the right direction and contributing to the healing that needs to take place all around us.

With that in mind, we have been working with SERC, a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Consultant, to support our efforts to create an anti-racist and inclusive work culture. This work started with our Boards of Directors and cascaded throughout the organization. Leaders in all of our affiliated organizations are working closely to develop and implement a philosophy throughout the organization and across all programs.

1st Annual "Liberation Day" Festival
Middletown, CT on June 19, 2021

Gilead created a DEI Leadership and Planning Team that worked in partnership with SERC to provide agency-wide racial equity trainings to all staff.

This is only the beginning of a long term process, but we are excited to be initiating these important steps that will be happening over the next three years and for many years to come.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

As we come out of the pandemic, COVID-19 has seriously impacted mental health and has driven up the number of adults experiencing poor mental health up by 30%. Before the pandemic, 11% of adults reported symptoms of anxiety and depression. Now it's 41% who are reporting at least one adverse mental or behavioral health problem, and this is directly related to the pandemic.

Gilead's Mental Health Resource Center (MHRC) is a comprehensive and centralized approach to address complex mental health needs through a wide range of service offerings and starts to change the conversation about mental health. Lovette Johnson, MHRC Program Director, shares a recent example of how the MHRC was able to help. Lovette received a desperate phone call for help from a woman who was worried about her friend. The friend suffered from mental illness and substance abuse and had relapsed due to the stress of COVID. She desperately needed a detox bed with a 1 to 1 treatment program but none were available in Connecticut. The two had been isolating in her home together because of the fear of relapse. This friend had called 23 providers and had not heard back from anyone. Gilead was call number 24. Within 24 hours, Lovette was able to find an intake appointment at a treatment program. The ladies were brought to tears and overwhelmed with how quickly they were attended to.

Gilead continues to provide Community Resource Coordination (CRC) to help those impacted by Covid-19. Individuals that require services or supports to successfully quarantine are referred to Gilead by the Department of Public Health (DPH). We work with them to provide assistance, such as food boxes, cash cards, and safe places to quarantine.

Velma Razor, Community Resource Coordinator, was noticing that a number of isolation clients staying in a hotel for their quarantine were having trouble staying for the entire timeframe. This was not only unsafe, but causing a complication to the hotel relationship because they were having to discharge these guests once they left the hotel. Velma asked clients why they were leaving and found it was due to food insecurity. They simply couldn't afford to pay for the hotel food and would leave to purchase less expensive food elsewhere. Velma came up with an idea and partnered with the hotel to work out an arrangement. The hotel agreed to provide extra servings and packaged food items at breakfast at no cost to the guests. Not only did this help solve the food insecurities but Velma was also able to strengthen the partnership between the hotel chain and Gilead.

The Parenting Education Program (PEP) helps divorcing parents foster positive parenting following a divorce. Gilead offers the mandated Connecticut Superior Court classes, facilitated by experienced clinicians who follow a state approved curriculum. To address the health and safety of participants during the pandemic and still meet the needs of these transitioning families, Lorena Barham, PEP Facilitator, offered virtual evening classes for working parents. This allowed us to not only continue to serve families in Middlesex County, but throughout Connecticut as well as individuals living out of state. Gilead will continue the virtual classes until the summer of 2022.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

The financial results presented below have been excerpted from Oak Hill's consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 2021.

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

	2021
ASSETS	
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$780,432
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance	427,674
Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets	212,424
Investments	733,147
Property and Equipment, Net	5,367,777
TOTAL ASSETS	7,521,484
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	
Liabilities	
Account Payable and Accrued Expenses	$258,390
Accrued Wages and Benefits	653,697
Line of Credit	0
Deferred Revenue	42,493
Long-Term Debt, Net	2,055,038
Funds Held on Behalf of Others	45,748
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,055,366
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted	$4,360,539
Temporarily Restricted	105,579
TOTAL NET ASSETS	4,466,118
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	7,521,484

Consolidated Statement of Activities & Changes in Net Assets

	2021
PUBLIC SUPPORT & REVENUE	
State & Federal Grants	$10,443,839
Fees Earned:	
Room and Board	522,701
Fee for Service - Clinics & Wise	793,888
Medicaid Residential	1,981,356
Rental Income	85,218
Other	352,519
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT & REVENUE	14,179,520
EXPENSES	
Salaries	$8,838,944
Employee Benefits	2,763,223
Purchased Services	1,826,026
Materials and Supplies	683,284
Miscellaneous Expenses	232,764
Interest Expense	109,307
Depreciation Expense	449,335
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	14,902,883
OTHER INCOME	
Investment Income, Net	$5,366
Federal COVID-19 PPP Grant	1,312,802
Gifts, Grants and Bequests	528,998
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains on Investments	150,688
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	1,997,854
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	
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2020-21 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair: Laura Patey
Vice Chair: Paul Zakarian
Assistant Secretary: Russ Hassmann
Assistant Treasurer: David Porteus
Oak Hill Ex Officio Member: Michael Hannah

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While the Administrative offices were closed to the public, Gilead Board Member Suzanne Gaskell took the opportunity to design, paint and refresh the Baldwin building's reception room. Suzanne's original 50th commemorative artwork looks amazing in the new space. Thank you Suzanne!

GIVING

Gilead Community Services is so grateful to everyone who has given to Gilead in the past fiscal year and would like to highlight individuals, foundations, civic organizations and businesses that made financial contributions or in-kind gifts to our organization during the 2021 Fiscal Year (July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021). If we have inadvertently omitted or misspelled your name, please accept our apologies and contact the Chief Development Officer at (860) 343-5300 x3423.

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RECOVERY: $25,000+

American Savings Foundation
Department of Children & Families
Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services
Russ & Leslie Hassmann(1)
Middlesex United Way
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INDEPENDENCE: $10,000-$24,999

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Maximillian E. & Marion O. Hoffman Foundation, Inc.
Jane McMillan (2)
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Peach Pit Foundation (*)(1)(2)(20)(27)
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SELF ADVOCACY: $5,000-$9,999

Community Foundation of Middlesex County
Coughlin Services Corporation (1)
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Microsoft Matching Gifts Program
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CONFIDENCE: $3,500-$4,999

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DIGNITY: $2,000-$3,499

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RESPONSIBILITY: $1,000-$1,999

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SELF SUFFICIENCY: $750-$999

A.R. Mazzotta Employment Specialists (2)
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Mary-Kathryn Harrity (4)
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Smith & Bishel Company (1)

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to Jordan Agricula, a recent Wesleyan University graduate, and Gilead advocate, on being awarded the Limbach Prize – one of four University Prizes given out by Student Affairs at Wesleyan.

"This prize is awarded annually to the student who has contributed the most imaginative, generous, thoughtful, and understanding social service to the people of the City of Middletown and/or the Wesleyan community," explains Laura Patey, Wesleyan Dean for Academic Achievement and Gilead's Board Chair, "Doesn't that just say who Jordan is!"

We met Jordan when he was placed as an Ex Officio Board Member at Gilead as part of a Wesleyan course, 'Nonprofit Boards: Theory and Practice'. He served on the Mental Health Resource Center Project Workgroup and Clinical Planning Team. He also helped to develop an Outreach Plan for a new Veterans program. Lucky for us, he continued to volunteer for Gilead beyond the scope of the course.

"During the spring semester of 2019, I was able to gather 6 Wesleyan students and 2 Wesleyan staff to participate in the annual 5k that took place in Middletown and we were able to raise $300 to be donated to Gilead. Unfortunately, during the spring semester of 2020, the in-person 5K was canceled due to the Coronavirus outbreak. However, our team was still able to raise about $225 that year. I was very excited for the 2021 event because we were able to grow our team to 26 Wesleyan affiliated members to raise $780 to either cover registration costs for Veterans or be donated directly to Gilead. These events have helped create a relationship between Wesleyan and a portion of the Middletown community that I trust will continue to grow."

We think that this is a glimpse into why we love Jordan so much! He has truly been a bridge builder!

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Maggie Stokes
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Lauren Wells
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$44,000 from American Savings Foundation to replace and repair flooring at Farrell Treatment Center.

$15,000 from the Maximillian E. & Marion O. Hoffman Foundation, Inc. for a new handicapped ramp at Juniper Home.

$5,000 from Atkins Memorial Foundation to subsidize counseling services for under- and un-insured clients.

$5,000 from the Community Foundation of Middlesex County for business consultation for our Mental Health Resource Center.

$3,000 from the Swindell's Foundation to subsidize counseling services for under- and un-insured clients.

$2,000 from Essex Community Fund to subsidize counseling services for under- and un-insured clients.

$700 from the Community Service Fund of Frontier Communications for a new gazebo and chairs for the Social Rehab Center.

$3,500 from both the Town of Westbrook and ***Town of Essex*** to subsidize counseling services for under- and un-insured clients at the Outpatient Clinic.

$22,750 was approved through the ***Middletown Community Development Block Grants*** program for a generator for Liberty Home.

$15,000 of renewed funding from CVSHealth and ***Easterseals*** for outreach and services for Veterans.

$29,000 from Middlesex United Way to subsidize counseling services for under- and un-insured clients at the Outpatient Clinic.

$3,000 from the George A. & Grace L. Long Foundation to subsidize counseling services for under- and un-insured clients.

$3,000 from the New Britain Community Chest for Farrell Treatment Center bathroom renovations.

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Client Awards

Clients & Staff Enjoying a Walk in the Woods

Vox Volunteers, Repairing & Painting the Valor Home Deck

Pet Therapy at Valor Home

Valor Home Fall Decorations

Holiday Toy Donations from *A Promise for Jordan* for Farrell client's families

Preparing Lunch at the Social Club

Decking the Halls at Women's Home

Road Race Committee enjoying some down time at the lake

Staff Summer Retreat at Camp Hemlocks

Sharing Memories at the "Celebration of Life"

Nathan Wise, Anchorage staff, in the performance of Ruddigore, with Kyle & Dan Osborne

Harkness Park Fall Camping Trip

Music at Camp Harkness

GII Moving for Every 1!

Dan Osborne with the litigation team in the Fair Housing Case

Quizine for a Cause

Quizine for a Cause Staff Volunteers

OPENING DOORS

After another successful Quizine event, Gilead was able to replenish our Opening Doors Fund. This fund provides money that managers and direct care staff can request to help clients in their recovery. Everything from basic needs items to housing are funded through Opening Doors.

Anchorage Home celebrated a young man who was leaving the program to move to a more independent setting. He has been with them for three years and has made tremendous progress. Jessica Gallman, Program Director explained that this was a very big deal that he wanted to celebrate this achievement, as he is usually quite reserved and does not like to be in the spotlight. The group of staff and residents went to Osaka restaurant for his very first experience at a Hibachi restaurant. Everyone enjoyed the outing, which would not have been able to happen without the support from Opening Doors.

The Opening Doors fund was able help two VOCA (Victim Support Services) clients. One client was in need of new furniture because her apartment had been infested with bed bugs. Scott Enright, VOCA Psychotherapist was able to work with her to make a list of what she needed, what she could afford and help her set budget limits. A request was made through Opening Doors, and with Scott's help, she was able to receive new pillows, a mattress and protector, vacuum and totes to store her items. "Opening Doors was a great way to take one of her stresses away!" says Scott.

This client, along with an additional VOCA individual, recently lost a significant amount of weight and both desperately needed new clothes. With funds from Opening Doors, one received a new winter coat and another received new pants. This client had experienced trauma and having pants that were too loose was triggering negative memories and anxiety. "Opening Doors has been a God-send for these clients," says Scott.

The annual Quizine for a Cause helps fund the Opening Doors Fund

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