

#### **Greetings!**

We hope you've enjoyed the summer as much as we have. While these last warm and sunny days always seem to fly by, there is still much to look forward to and share. This month, we have a few announcements, some tips, and a special spotlight we think you'll like - check it out!

#### **New Team Member Alert**

Stop in to see us and you'll find a friendly new face at the front desk. Say "hi" to Betty Strom who has joined our team as Administrative Assistant. Betty worked for GHACF in the spring as a temporary employee and previously worked for over 23 years at Herman Miller.



Betty grew within the Herman Miller organization, working in different roles as an Accounts Payable/Invoicing Clerk, Customer Service Representative, Concierge, and a Project Coordinator.

Betty is excited to join our team and make a difference in the community where she lives. If you need anything, Betty is here and happy to help!

# Community Wish List: Supporting Our Seniors

Have you checked out our <u>Community Wish List</u> lately? It's a great place to find organizations and/or causes that interest you, that you might like to like

support! While the list has all sorts of local charitable opportunities, today we spotlight those offering resources to local seniors:

AgeWell Services of West Michigan Meals on Wheels program – Ensuring our community's seniors stay healthy with proper nutrition at their doorstep.

<u>Forget Me Not Ministry Adopt-A-Senior program</u> – Connecting volunteers with assisted-living residents for love and support, including cards on special occasions that mean so much.

<u>Little Red House</u> – Providing daytime "home-like" care so seniors can age in place.

<u>Senior Resources of West Michigan</u> – Are wishing to purchase personal medical and safety equipment not covered by insurance.

If you'd like to support any of the opportunities on the Community Wish List, instructions can also be found here.

### Make a Will and Make a Difference!

Last month, we shared <u>five good reasons</u>
to make a will. Before August ends, we're
sharing **five types of Foundation funds**that can help simplify your charitable
giving. They are:



Greatest Needs Funds – Giving to or establishing a named Greatest
 Needs Fund (unrestricted) enables the Foundation to remain proactive,
 responsive, and flexible in meeting our community's most critical needs.
 It's a gift that keeps on giving!

- Field of Interest Funds This allows you to target your gifts to highimpact opportunities that connect with your personal values and address area needs most important to you.
- 3. <u>Donor Advised Funds</u> Giving to an established Donor Advised Fund at the Foundation that has clearly communicated and agreed upon succession, can allow younger generations an opportunity administer the recommendation of grants to qualified recipients.
- 4. <u>Designated Funds</u> You can support the mission of your favorite 501(c)3 organization by designating them as a beneficiary of your fund.
- 5. <u>Scholarship Funds</u> This is a wonderful choice if you wish to invest in the next generation by providing post-secondary education assistance.

Ready to get started or to learn more? Our experts will work with you to tailor your giving to what you care about most, so you can leave exactly the legacy you want, and make a lasting difference in the lives of others.

**Contact Our Team** 

## **Holiday Hours Heads-Up**

The Foundation will close at noon on **Friday, August 29th** and will remain closed all day on **Monday, September 1st** for the Labor Day holiday. We will be back on Tuesday refreshed and ready to serve. Enjoy your holiday weekend!

For more information about establishing a Donor Advised Fund, joining the Legacy Society, or if you're simply interested in making a difference, email the VP of Advancement & Donor Services Chris Riker or Advancement & Donor Services Manager Sarah Enlow.

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**See Community Needs** 

Start A Fund

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