



DANIEL'S JOURNEY

"Remember when I used to stay around the corner and had a pet rat?" Daniel asked his Case Manager. When Daniel first came to Paul's Place, he was staying in an abandoned unit. Case Management began working with him to get an Emergency Housing Voucher and identify an apartment that he could call home. Daniel had a background in the food service industry so, upon learning about Paul's Place's Culinary Training program at Groundwork Kitchen, he knew he had to enroll. Daniel successfully graduated from the program, earning industry-recognized credentials. While Daniel works with our training program staff to find his next job, he comes to Paul's Place to work on some of his other goals with the Case Management team. He has started volunteering in the Paul's Place kitchen, building his resume as he gives back. **Housing and training are just the beginning for Daniel, and we are glad he found us and that he is now part of the Paul's Place community.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Friends of Paul's Place,

It is hard to believe that I am nearing my one-year anniversary here, but as we get closer to it, I find myself reflecting on what we have already accomplished. We have:



- **Expanded our meals program** to include breakfast.
- **Added a second elementary school** to our After-3 program.
- **Graduated five cohorts from the Culinary Training program,** with the sixth in session.
- **Partnered with and hosted ReStart,** a rental property management workforce development program through the Institute for Real Estate Management, and are gearing up for another cohort.
- **Celebrated the 40th birthday of Paul's Place** with an open house in September.
- **Hired a great team to re-open and run Groundwork Kitchen,** our social enterprise restaurant.
- **Secured a van to continue the outreach work** intensified during the pandemic to provide resources and care to members of the community who, for a variety of reasons, cannot get to Paul's Place.
- **Been gifted a second van,** this one for Groundwork Kitchen's catering operations, from Humanim.
- **Been named the non-profit partner** for the Baltimore Magazine's Best Restaurant event in March.
- **Engaged Maryland Non-Profits** to help us develop a new strategic plan.
- **Been planning our 40th anniversary** event to celebrate our 40 years of service to Southwest Baltimore and to unveil the strategic plan that will guide our work for the next several years.

None of this could be accomplished without philanthropic support. From volunteer hours and donations of clothing, toiletries, and food to financial support, we hope you know that all contributions toward our work are celebrated. Financial support makes it possible to pay our incredibly dedicated staff, ensure our kitchen equipment is in working order for two meals a day, secure vital documents for guests, purchase furniture and household starter kits for guests moving into a home, and keep the lights on at Ward Street. Our Annual and Donor Reports that recognize your support and the resulting impact will be available soon, so keep an eye out and know that what is described there is only possible because of you. Finally, mark your calendars and purchase your ticket for our 40th anniversary celebration taking place on April 20, 2023 at the B&O Railroad Museum.

Paul's Place is an exceptional organization with staff, volunteers, and donors truly dedicated to making Southwest Baltimore a stronger, resourced community. I am glad to be part of the work and I hope that each of you are, too.

Sincerely,

Tim Regan
Executive Director

Paul's Place Updates



Paul's Place @ 40! Gratitude, Service, Opportunity

April 20, 2023 | 6:00-9:00 pm
B&O Railroad Museum
901 W. Pratt Street
Baltimore, MD 21223

Join us as we honor our history, celebrate our successes, and share our plans to strengthen Southwest Baltimore.

For information about sponsorship opportunities and tickets, please visit: paulsplaceoutreach.org/40years

Breakfast is Ready!

We've added breakfast! In the first week we served 65 breakfasts, but word spread and the numbers grew.

From September through December, we served nearly 5,000 breakfasts!



2022 By the Numbers: Daily Services

- Lunches served – 27,425
- Breakfasts served – 4,755
- Food boxes distributed – 746
- Laundry loads done – 1,415
- Showers taken – 1,484

Yay for the Holidays!

In December, students in our free After-3 program at Southwest Baltimore Charter School were treated to a holiday party, complete with presents donated by St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in Owings Mills.



Eviction Prevention

Paul's Place now has an eviction prevention program among our resources. Combined with other funding, it can give qualifying individuals time to find solutions to their housing crisis and avoid homelessness.

Moving Forward

For those in housing crisis, Paul's Place has a history of helping them to find stable housing, working together to secure a better situation. Daniel and Phyllis are just two examples of the many who, like them, experienced the joy of move-in day. In 2022, Case Management found housing for 3 families and 12 individuals!

MONTHLY GIVING

In the non-profit world, donors who spread their giving over the year with recurring, monthly donations are often called "sustaining donors" – a fitting description! A consistent, reliable source of funding of any amount is important to our success and ongoing support of the community. **It sustains us.** Please consider starting your monthly donation, so the individuals and families who come to Paul's Place for help achieving a goal or the comfort of our daily services can continue to count on us.

Ready to make a difference? Go to: www.paulsplaceoutreach.org/donateonline and click "Recurring Donation" today!



Quote Worthy

"You changed my life. Don't ever change. You pushed me to do hard things. If I can ever help Paul's Place, please let me know. **I wouldn't have done this on my own. WE DID THIS!**"

– PHYLLIS ON MOVE-IN DAY



We love our volunteers and corporate partners

In this Valentine's month, we send our love out to some unsung heroes who keep Paul's Place running. To the **volunteers** who help prepare and serve two meals a day, sort donations, staff Market Place, and pitch in where needed. To the **corporate partners** – including Baker Donelson, BD, BGE, CareFirst, CBRE, Emergent, Erickson Senior Living, Exelon, First National Bank, Gilbane, JJ McDonnell, Kaiser Permanente, Maryland Multi-Housing Association, PNC, T. Rowe Price, Under Armour, UPS, and Vectorworks – who include us in their community service programs with volunteer hours and donations of clothing, toiletries, and other necessities. **Thank you for all you do!**

Under Armour volunteers

