

Newsletter

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The Season of Thankfulness

When it comes to the types of donations one can make to a nonprofit agency, there are many possibilities. Donating time, resources and contributing financially are ways that donors help nonprofits fulfill their missions. Through the generosity of those in the community who believe in and support their work, nonprofits continue to thrive.

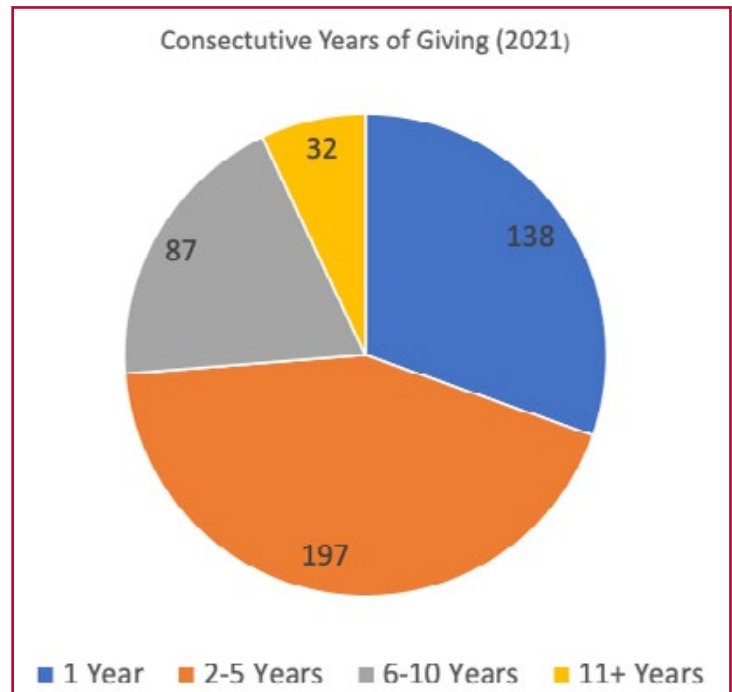
Why do community members choose to donate to a non-profit like Caregivers? Chris Kelly of ReMax/Bayside, a Board member and donor, states that Caregivers provides “one of the most basic needs for our community,” a “helping hand for those who need it most.” He notes that it provides for a simple idea: life, companionship, food for our Neighbors.

John Moulton of Moulton Farm, a longtime donor, sees ICCL as “filling a gap for the elderly and homebound who need extra help.” He notes that many services, usually medically indicated, like visiting nurses, are reimbursable. However, non-medical support services, as provided by Caregivers, are at no charge thanks to generous donations from local businesses and individuals.

We thank Chris, John and all who support Interlakes Community Caregivers. We, the Board and staff of Caregivers, thank our volunteers who donate their time and resources to provide rides, visits and run errands for Neighbors. We thank our donors, the individuals and businesses, who support us financially. We thank you, our generous and caring community, for giving us the means to do this work.

FINANCIAL FOCUS DURING SHIFTING TIMES

As a service-oriented nonprofit, almost every aspect of our operation has changed over the past two years. Like many nonprofits, ICCL has navigated shifting priorities, a new employment landscape, and changes in fundraising and hosting events. As we continue to reimagine what our future will look like, our financial stability and donor engagement is at the top of the list. Two funding sources that were available to ICCL last year, that will not be available this coming year, are the Tufts Momentum Grant for \$10,000 and the “We Care” concert fundraiser that raised \$16,757 this past spring. That is \$26,757 we know will not be available in 2023. ICCL does not receive state or federal funding of any kind, but relies solely on individuals, businesses, organizations, foundations, and grants to continue our business helping Neighbors stay independent, while supporting the vitality of the communities we serve.

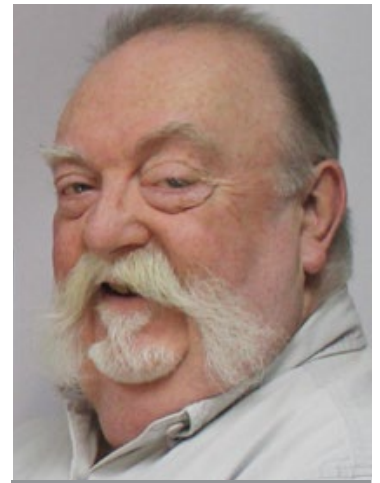


The graphic displays the breakout of ICCL consecutive donors over the years by sector and how long constituents have remained donating to the organization.

I hope you have enjoyed all the colors and fairs of this fine Fall season. As ICCI is gearing up for the winter, we are concerned about peoples' ability to stay safe in their homes. As a result, ICCI has entered into a partnership with the local Fire Departments to ensure your smoke alarms are all in good working order. Please let ICCI know if you need any assistance with these and we will ask your local Fire Department personnel to come by and check them for you.

This Fall we are also preparing for our Annual Appeal. This is one of our most important fundraising efforts. Your donations fund our staff, office and training and supports for our Volunteers. We could never provide the services our Volunteers do, if it weren't for the support of caring people in our communities. For this we thank you.

As always, ICCI is seeking additional volunteers, especially within our agency committees and on the Board of Directors. Thanks to all our Volunteers who serve on committees and the Board, we could not get it done without you.



**PRESIDENT'S
MESSAGE**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



**SIGN
UP
TODAY**

Do you love helping others?

Do you have a few hours each month to help in our community?

If you do, please consider volunteering to be a driver for ICCI. We help our Neighbors by driving them to medical appointments, grocery stores, pharmacies, and other local errands. Volunteers are greatly needed! If you are interested, **please contact Amy, Lead Coordinator, at 603-253-9275 ext. 2.** Or email ablongy@interlakescares.org.

LOOK FOR OUR ANNUAL APPEAL LETTER

ICCI thanks you for your past donation and invites you to continue to support us.

SERVICES

JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2022

Services Provided: 1,695

Hours Donated: 1,841

Miles Driven: 32,518



If you would like to receive the ICCI Newsletter via email, please email Kathryn Holt at kholt@interlakescares.org to be put on our email list.

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HOLIDAY EVENTS

Silver Bells Craft Fair

Date: Saturday, November 5

10 am - 4 pm

Location: Outlets, 120 Laconia Rd. Tilton

Community Holiday Craft Fair

Date: Saturday, November 19

9 am - 2 pm

Location: Meredith Community Center

1 Circle Dr., Meredith

Christmas at the Castle

Date: November 19, 20, 25 and 27

4:30 - 9 pm

Location: Castle in the Clouds

Gift of Lights

Date: November 24- December 30

4:30 - 9 pm

Location: New Hampshire Motor
Speedway, Loudon

Craft Fair & Chowder Luncheon

Date: Saturday, December 3

Lunch 11 am - 2 pm, Craft Fair 9 am to 4 pm

Location: Methodist Meetinghouse,
Main Street, Center Sandwich

A Charlie Brown Jazz Christmas

Date: December 15 at 6 pm

Hermit Woods, Meredith



Thank You to a Dedicated ICCI Volunteer



Connie Cunningham

It is with great reluctance that the ICCI Board of Directors accepted the resignation from the Board by Connie Cunningham. Connie has served as a driver, a coordinator, newsletter preparer and editor of the newsletter and chair of various committees as well as a member of the ICCI Board of Directors for 7 years.

As a resident of Sandwich, she first volunteered for Sandwich Caregivers sometime in the late 1990s as a driver, substitute coordinator and finally in 2011 as a member of the Board of Directors. When the merger between Sandwich Caregivers and the larger Center Harbor, Meredith and Moultonborough Caregivers occurred in 2012 Connie continued her volunteer service with the newly formed Interlakes Community Caregivers.

Connie says, "Volunteering for Caregivers has been a very rewarding experience. I have met so many interesting people that I would never have met if I hadn't volunteered to drive Neighbors. It is the Neighbors who make volunteering for ICCI worthwhile." She has been doing this volunteering for over 20 years.

The strength of ICCI is due to Volunteers like Connie. The Board and staff of ICCI thank her for her many years of service to ICCI and wish her the best in her future works.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Serving people, helping them stay safe, with dignity and independence, and making an impact in peoples' lives is what we do at ICCI. To continue our work we look to you for assistance.

Our ICCI Annual Appeal will be sent out in early November and, we again, are asking for your financial support. As a nonprofit that does not accept state or federal money, we rely solely on individuals, service organizations, foundations, businesses, and grants for our funding.

For those of you who have supported ICCI with time, money and talent over the years, our Neighbors in the communities where you live are extremely grateful to be part of such a caring, supportive region. Our Neighbors share their appreciation with us saying:

"...My Mom couldn't have survived her rehab in her home after surgery if it wasn't for your amazing volunteers and organization. You are all angels."

A 92-year-old female Neighbor from Meredith wrote:

"...It is such a handicap not being able to drive anymore. You make my life so much easier by taking me to my doctor appointments and the pharmacy. My volunteer was such a delight too."

ICCI continues to recruit volunteers to drive, serve on committees and become Board members. If you would like to find out more information, please contact us at www.interlakescares.org or call 603-253-9275 x3. May you enjoy a safe and Happy Holiday Season!

Warmly, Pam Joyal

Interlakes Community Caregivers will be celebrating 25 years of service in 2023!

We are excited to honor everyone who has assisted us over the years!

More details to come!



ICCI Weather Cancellation Policy

A scheduled service is automatically cancelled if the schools are delayed (if the service is in the morning) or closed (service at any time of that day) in Meredith, Center Harbor, or Sandwich (Interlakes School District) or Moultonborough School District or at the destination of your service.

In addition, if a Volunteer assigned, for any reason, feels it is unsafe to drive, then the service should be cancelled. Volunteers are encouraged to make the decision the day before a ride if possible. **The Volunteer assigned must contact the Neighbor and the Service Line at 603-253-9100 with the cancellation information.**



ICCI Board of Directors

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MISSION STATEMENT

Interlakes Community Caregivers, Inc. supports the independence, safety, comfort and dignity of our adult Neighbors within our designated communities through the services provided by our volunteers.

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