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The Heart of L'Arche Society was created in 2009 to build a sustainable foundation for L'Arche's financial future. Donors pledge \$1,000 or more per year for five years, allowing L'Arche to plan ahead. To date, 101 members have pledged more than \$195,000 annually. **Thank you!**

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

At L'Arche Greater Washington, D.C., community life centers on four homes where sixteen core people, members with intellectual disabilities, live together with the people who assist them. In addition to these life-long homes, L'Arche provides professional-support services and seeks ways for core people to be actively engaged in the social, civic, and spiritual life of Greater Washington, D.C.

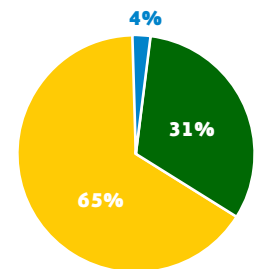
Thank you to the many generous donors whose financial gifts supplement government contracts, making a holistic, high-quality life possible for L'Arche members.

### Summary of L'Arche's Fiscal Year 2012 Audited Financial Statement:

A complete audited financial statement is available upon request.

#### Revenue

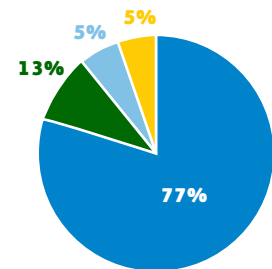
Government Contracts	\$1,723,077
Grants and Contributions <sup>1</sup>	\$829,543
Rental and Other Income	\$94,677
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,647,297</b>



Government Contracts  
Grants & Contributions  
Rental & Other

#### Expenses

Program (homes)	\$1,994,357
Education and Outreach	\$344,122
Administration	\$128,507
Fundraising	\$133,056
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,600,042</b>



Program  
Education & Outreach  
Administration  
Fundraising

#### Assets

Current Assets	\$1,244,959
Long-Term Assets	\$4,733,640
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$5,978,599</b>

#### Liabilities

Current Liabilities	\$177,424
Notes Payable	\$1,827,768
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$2,005,192</b>
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$3,973,407</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes gifts from foundations, corporations, faith-based organizations, individuals, and donated services.

## L'Arche Greater Washington, D.C.

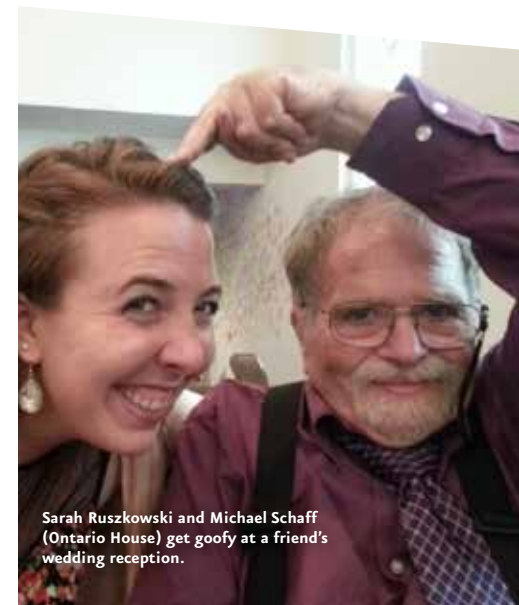
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Sarah Clemmer and Fritz Schloss (Highland House) spend a day advocating on the Hill.



Calvin "Sonny" Clarke and EunSung Kim (Euclid House) perform an original number at L'Arche's annual talent show.



Sarah Ruszkowski and Michael Schaff (Ontario House) get goofy at a friend's wedding reception.



Michele Calamari and Eva Hernandez (6th Street House) enjoy a poolside picnic.

It is in belonging that people discover what it means to be human.

JEAN VANIER, FOUNDER OF L'ARCHE INTERNATIONAL

## DEAR FRIENDS,

Who among us has not known the deep-seated fear of exclusion and isolation? In suffering loneliness and rejection we develop a longing for community—a desire to become part of a whole, of a group of people who love and accept us for who we are.

Jean Vanier understood both this pain and its counterpoint longing and showed the rest of the world a simple but profound way to bring people together. In a humble home in the French countryside, Jean and two men with intellectual disabilities founded the first L'Arche community, and the dream of L'Arche was born. This beautiful, radical notion—that people with and without intellectual disabilities could belong to each other in a place of safety—resonated with people longing to belong, and L'Arche homes began opening first across France, then North America, and soon all over the world.

This year, as L'Arche Greater Washington, D.C., celebrates thirty years of belonging, we reflect on how our members, board, volunteers, families, friends, and even passing strangers have felt the warmth of acceptance we nurture in our homes and hearts.

The desire to belong is fundamental to human beings. It is essential to each assistant and core person who walks through our door. It is what transforms strangers into friends, friends into family. And it is from this sense of belonging that our work flows: we build community, provide personalized support, and advocate for and with each other because we belong to each other.

As we look ahead to our next thirty years, we concertedly weave the thread of belonging into our strategic plan: over the next few years we hope to open additional homes, deepen our advocacy for each other, and find new, even more meaningful ways to share with others what L'Arche offers, thereby expanding and deepening our commitment to welcome and to each other.

The miracle of L'Arche is this: among the most isolated is found the warmest welcome; those most stung by society's rejection offer the balm of belonging, an invitation with no strings attached, no caveats or quid pro quos.

Thank you, friends, for accepting the invitation.

Tom Gaunt, S.J.

Fr. Thomas P. Gaunt, SJ Board President

# Looking Back

1977

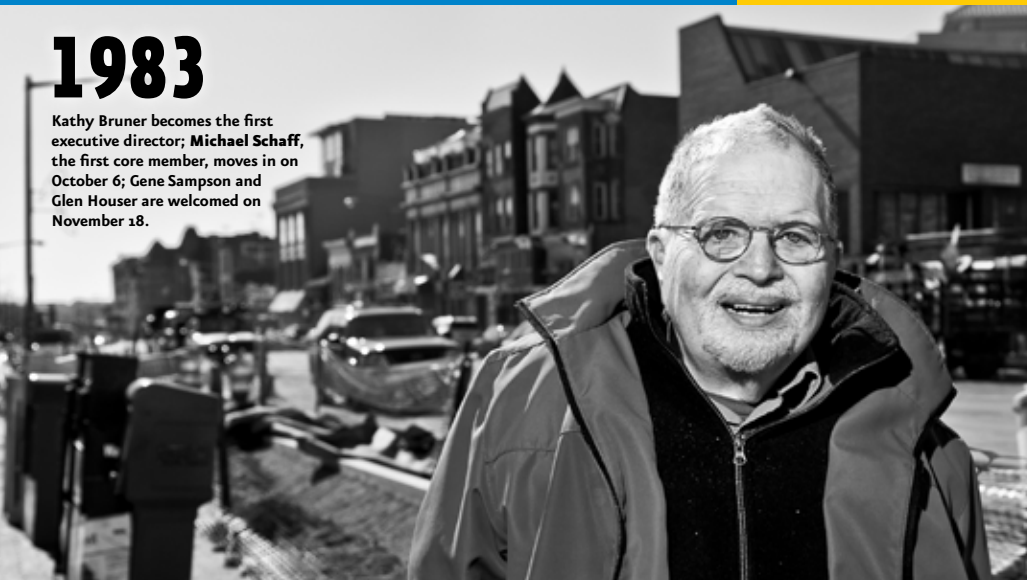
Jean Vanier speaks at Georgetown University; a planning group is formed to open a L'Arche community in Washington, D.C.

1980

Eighth Day Church gives 2474 Ontario Road to the planning group.

1983

Kathy Bruner becomes the first executive director; Michael Schaff, the first core member, moves in on October 6; Gene Sampson and Glen Houser are welcomed on November 18.



1988

1724 Euclid Street is rented from Virginia Schofield and opens on December 11 when Glen and Gene move over from Ontario; John Schofield moves into Ontario House.



1999

Katherine Boo of the Washington Post recognizes L'Arche as one of the best organizations caring for people with intellectual disabilities.



2000

2472 Ontario Road is purchased in preparation for expansion.



2002

Members of Ontario move to a rented home on Belmont Street while renovations are done on the Ontario Road houses; Calvin "Sonny" Clarke is welcomed to Euclid; Jean Vanier visits.

2001

Elizabeth Styles passes away in January, and Diane Lewis joins the community.



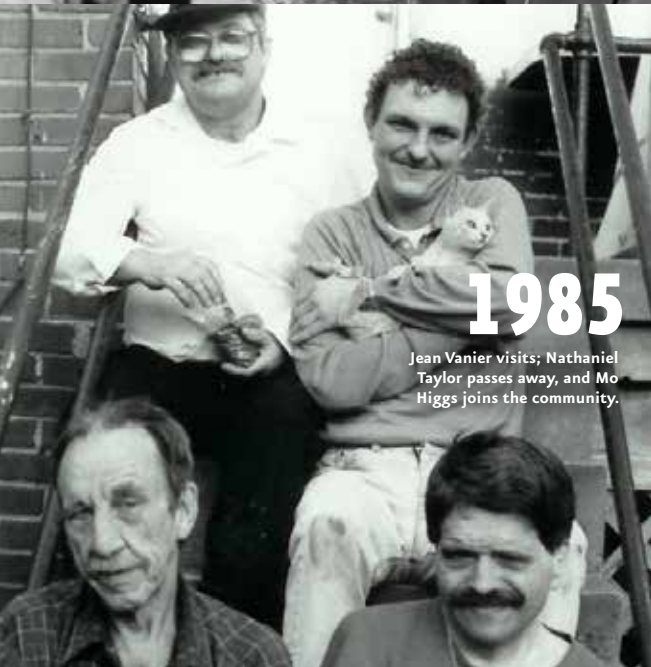
2008

Twenty-fifth anniversary! Eduardo leaves, and Eric Arntson arrives at Highland House.



2010

6th Street House opens in August when Charles Clark, Eva Hernandez, Francene Short, and Bruce Weaver are welcomed.



1985

Jean Vanier visits; Nathaniel Taylor passes away, and Mo Higgs joins the community.

1984

Nathaniel Taylor is welcomed at Ontario House.

1986

Dennis Calderone becomes executive director; Henri Nouwen becomes pastor of L'Arche Daybreak, north of Toronto.



1989

Melanie Nelson and Barbara Palmer move into Euclid House; Eileen Schofield moves in when Barbara leaves; Ray Thomas joins Ontario House for less than a year.



1996

John Cook becomes executive director; Lory Blair joins Euclid House; Melanie Nelson leaves community; Henri Nouwen passes away.



1997

Debora Green is welcomed at Euclid; Henri Nouwen's book Adam: God's Beloved is published posthumously.

1992

Elizabeth Styles is welcomed at Ontario.



2003

Ontario House renovations are completed, and Walton Schofield is welcomed; Glen Houser and Diane Lewis move on from community.



2006

Highland House opens in Arlington when Eduardo Delcaprio, Hazel Pulliam, Fritz Schloss, and Linda Garcia, are welcomed.



2004

Debora Green moves to Ontario; Andrew Commisso is welcomed at Euclid; two properties are purchased in Arlington in anticipation of expansion.

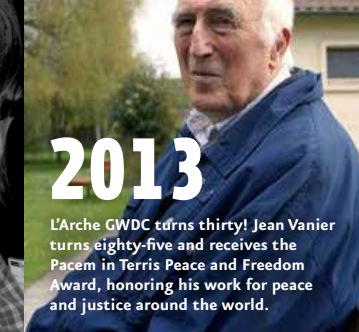


Bruce Weaver



2011

Gene Sampson passes away from lung cancer on August 11.



2013

L'Arche GWDC turns thirty! Jean Vanier turns eighty-five and receives the Pacem in Terris Peace and Freedom Award, honoring his work for peace and justice around the world.

# Looking Ahead

IN 2013, L'ARCHE GREATER WASHINGTON, D.C., BEGAN IMPLEMENTING A FOUR-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN. TOP OBJECTIVES INCLUDE:

- creating a new community in D.C. consisting of two to three homes,
- exploring the possibility of opening new communities in Maryland or Virginia,
- developing an advocacy plan, and
- writing a human-services curriculum based on L'Arche's core values to share with other providers of residential services.



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