

ANNUAL REPORT 2018

A YEAR OF COMMUNITY

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LIVING THE MISSION

It is that time, my dear friends, when I like to reflect on both our successes and our struggles of the year. With an ever-aging community and the end of my term as Community Leader on the horizon, the joy for and support of our mission became the force leading our outreach efforts this year--and what a year it was!

For 46 years, L'Arche Erie has maintained a distinct model of community which continues to set us apart from other agencies that provide similar programs and services. This year we readjusted our perspective, not to be a nonprofit that is always in need, but one that was truly a supportive neighbor to our local community.

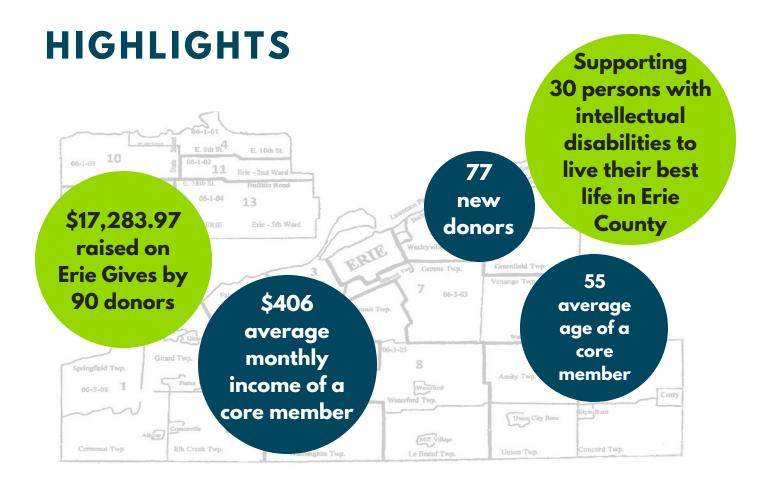
How better to affirm the importance of friendship across difference than to reach out beyond our L'Arche community to the wider Erie community? Our homes teamed up with Emmaus Soup Kitchen to provide sweet treats for their daily meals. Our crew also laid the groundwork for a hydroponics greenhouse initiative that, while not moving ahead as quickly as we'd hoped, opened up the opportunity to make new friends with the Gannon University Scholars of Excellence in Engineering and Computer Science program.

In addition to speaking life into the Erie region through the core members sharing their gifts, we also saw growth within our own community. We welcomed two new board members, a development director, several assistants, and a home leader. An intentional recruitment team was formed to aid in supporting life in our seven homes in 2019 and beyond.

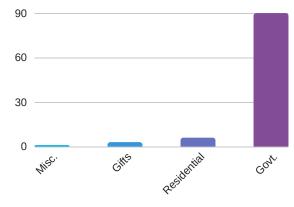
Keep in mind, the growth we are blessed to have seen over the year was not without its challenges. However, it is because of wonderful neighbors, supporters, and donors like you that L'Arche Erie rounds out 2018 on a high note.

I thank each of you for your ongoing dedication to the message of hope L'Arche brings to our world. It is with a joyful heart that I look optimistically toward the new year and the good it holds for each of us.

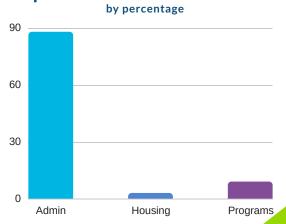
-Vicki Washek, Executive Director/Community Leader



Revenue by percentage



Expenses



Donate NOW and help enrich the lives of our core members! Your donations allow core members and assistants to take part in many awesome adventures throughout the year - everything we do is made possible by your generous contributions. Here are just a few of the things your donations support:

- -Send members on a spiritual retreat.
- -Provide a safe home for people with intellectual disabilities.
- -Allow members to travel and enjoy all of life's activities.
- -Care for people with intellectual disabilities, not only in Erie, PA, but in developing countries, too.

Interested in leaving a lasting legacy? Consider adding L'Arche Erie to your will, include us in your IRA Charitable Distribution, or honor a loved one through a gift to the L'Arche Erie Endowment Fund. To learn more about these opportunities, contact Sandie at development@larcheerie.org.

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