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Greetings!

Dear Friends,

As we approach the end of 2022, we are all grateful to see friends and family once again in person. The last two years have been difficult for everyone, but those living with dementia are especially affected by the distance and isolation. We are proud of our Innovation Program grantees for finding creative ways to remain connected and applaud their efforts to support care partners as well as persons living with dementia.

This has been a busy year for I'm Still Here. Not only have we funded new programs, but we have a new logo, new look and new website! Over the last several weeks, we have been working to capture the latest news, showcase our most recent programs, and highlight the I'm Still Here principles in programs that offer the best in dementia care.

Check it out at www.imstillhere.org Also, check out our 2022 Annual report for details about our programs and work. We welcome your feedback.

Finally, we hope you will take this opportunity to consider a tax deductible donation to ensure that our work continues into the new year and beyond. The I'm Still Here approach is proven to reduce the symptoms of dementia through engagement in life, family and community. Your contribution will make a difference in the lives of many.

All of us at I'm Still Here wish you a happy and healthy holiday season with your loved ones.

Mary Anne Grant Executive Director

Support our work!

Our Programs

I'm Still Here has selected new grantees for the 2022 Innovation Program. Readers will recall that ISH announced in July our first Innovation winner the **Poydras Home of New**

Orleans for their **Generation 2 Generation Baking** program. You may read more about this innovative program on the website.

[Find out more](#)

Poydras Home Newsroom

WWL TV: Baking Outreach Brings Community Together
Generation 2 Generation Baking made possible through an Innovation Grant from the I'm Still Here Foundation

Baking outreach brings community together



Poydras Home organizers say the intergenerational connection being made is important.

Author: wwltv.com
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Another ISH Winner:

I'm Still Here awarded a grant to **HOPE Dementia Support**, a program of CDM Caregiving Services in Vancouver, Washington. This monthly program, "**Music and Memories**", allows persons living with dementia and their care partners to experience meaningful music connections and practice music relational skills. The program brings music into the home and care routines through technology, music streaming and training to transfer the skills of music engagement into practical and helpful tools to decrease agitation and increase communication.

The new monthly group is facilitated by board certified music therapists for those with memory loss and their care partners. Therapists play accordion and guitar and provide instruments such as drums and rattles for the participants to use as they sing along. The program will also help participants to create personalized music playlists and offer a holiday celebration, "Jingling for HOPE."



The flyer is titled "HOPE" in large, colorful letters, with "A PROGRAM OF CDM CAREGIVING SERVICES" underneath. Below this, the event title "Music and Memories" is written in a purple script font. A purple-bordered box contains the text "A program funded through a grant from the I'm Still Here Foundation" and the "I'M STILL HERE" logo. The event details are listed in bold black text: "For the Individual Living with Dementia and Their Care Partner", "2nd Wednesday of the Month", "December 14, 2022", "10:00 AM to 11:00 AM", "Doors open at 9:45", "Register via Eventbrite", and "http://tiny.cc/Musicandmemories Or call 360 513 5754". A small photo of Lisa Peterson, Music Therapist at Come On, Let's Sing LLC, is included. At the bottom, there is a photo of the Church of the Good Shepherd building and its address: "Church of the Good Shepherd, 805 SE Ellsworth Road, Vancouver, WA 98664".

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Please join us in congratulating these two organizations for their creative work to support those living with dementia and their care partners.

2021 Featured Program: Martha's Vineyard Community Social Connections

The Martha's Vineyard Center for Living developed a program to reach into the community to support persons living with dementia and their care partners. The Community Social Connections program has offered monthly musical performances in a variety of public settings including the local arboretum, history museum, butterfly sanctuary, an equine learning center and more. Participants in these events enjoyed the music and the different venues, such as being in the woods and refreshments. The goal of these programs was not only to provide engagement and dignity through familiar music and local places, but also to reduce the stigma associated with dementia by including those living with dementia in the community.

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ISH: Maude's Awards Winner

I'm Still Here has been recognized by Maude's Awards with a \$25,000 grant for excellence in supporting care partners of those living with dementia. Based in Seattle, Washington, Maude's Awards was created to enrich the quality of life for persons living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and their care partners. I'm Still Here is one of only three recipient organizations. [Read more here.](#)

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Welcome Kenneth Goldstein

I'm Still Here is pleased to welcome new Board member Kenneth Goldstein, an attorney practicing in Brookline, Massachusetts. In addition to his work as a senior partner at Goldstein & Herndon, LLP, Ken has served his community for many years, including as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen in Brookline and Chairman of the Brookline Planning Board. Ken is also a committed community volunteer, including membership in the Brookline Rotary Club, Brookline/Kent Station Street Affordable Senior Housing Committee, and more. Welcome Ken!

Support our work!



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