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## **From the President and CEO**

# **Melanie Ribeiro**

Storm Brewing for Funding Affordable Senior Housing

Many of us think fondly of summertime as a time for enjoying being with family and friends with outdoor activities, vacations, and more leisure time. However, we know that this time of year can also be hot and stormy, with the need to prepare and take precautions, or suffer the consequences.

Recent actions by Congress seem to reflect this year's historic heat wave with forecasts for stormier times ahead, including its vital role of funding the federal government's services and programs, including affordable senior housing.

In the spring issue of *Housing with a Heart*, I expressed EHDOC's concerns that federal funding for programs that assist our residents and other older Americans, including the Section 202 Supportive Housing Program for the elderly, could be drastically cut as a result of the highly partisan Congressional conflict over raising the national debt ceiling.

We were relieved that a down-to-the-wire bi-partisan agreement was finally reached, enacted on June 3rd, to allow the essential debt ceiling increase until January 2025. However, under the conditions for the agreement, funding for FY2024 would be limited to the current funding levels (FY2023 Appropriations) and allow only a 1% increase for domestic programs in FY2025. Unfortunately, given the high inflation rates and the dramatic increase in housing costs, this "flat funding" represents a significant cut for building and operating affordable senior housing.

One of the most important responsibilities of Congress is to pass its 12 annual Appropriations bills, including for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that administers the Section 202 Supportive Housing Program. Unfortunately, (at press time) none of the twelve FY2024 Appropriations have been enacted. Congress went on their August Recess until after Labor Day. This leaves very few legislative days to complete action on all 12 Appropriation bills, or the federal government will shut down on September 30th.

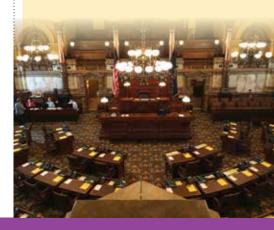
Of interest to organizations like EHDOC is that the House Appropriations Committee and Senate Appropriations Committee bills have very different proposed funding for HUD.

The National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) reported that:

- House bill: Provides \$68.2 billion for HUD (a \$6.4 billion or 10% increase over FY2023 funding)
- Senate bill: Provides \$70 billion for HUD (an \$8.26 billion or 13% increase).

However, there are significant differences among the HUD programs. LeadingAge reported that:

- House bill: Cuts the Section 202 program by 15%
- Senate bill: Provides about \$1 billion for Section 202 elderly housing (the same as FY2023)
- House bill: No funding for additional development of Section 202 senior housing facilities
- Senate bill: Provides \$152 million for Section 202 development to assist non-profit organizations like EHDOC with the development of additional affordable senior housing (to help those on our multi-year waiting lists).





EHDOC is somewhat pleased that our collaborative efforts with our partners LeadingAge, the National Low-Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) and others, have been successful so far to spare HUD from some of the more severe funding cuts proposed for other Departments and agencies.

However, the thunder clouds are now gathering for the next major Congressional storm when members return in early September. EHDOC urges our residents, partners, and all concerned with the need for affordable senior housing to reach out and communicate with your Congressional members while they are in their home state and district to:

- a) Inform them of the need for more quality affordable senior housing,
- b) Urge them **not** to cut funding for affordable senior housing, and
- c) Support the Senate bill for funding the cost-effective Section 202 Supportive Housing Program.

Many extremely low and low-income elderly, their families, and local communities need your timely assistance to secure funding for more safe, affordable, supportive senior housing.

Thank you to EHDOC Special Assistant Larry McNickle for the help in gathering this information. You are always appreciated!

#### **Louisiana Advocacy Day**



Louisiana Advocacy Day was held at the Louisiana State Capital on May 22, 2023. Advocacy Day was organized by AARP to support the Louisiana legislative bills on the House and Senate floors.

Celena Regan, EHDOC Service Coordinator for our Louisiana communities Leisure Lane and Morse Manor, joined other advocates to get our voices heard on the need for more home and community-based services.

The Day's outcome saw Senate Bill 39 passed! More funding will be put towards home and community-based services when the state of Louisiana recognizes excess revenue, so that seniors and adults with disabilities have options for services to remain in their homes.

Also, House Bill 1 was amended to include an additional 500 Community Choice Waiver slots. Victory was achieved, and we appreciate Celena's dedication to senior housing!



# MISSION STATEMENT

EHDOC develops and manages safe, secure and affordable housing for senior citizens across the United States, Washington, DC & Puerto Rico. EHDOC advocates for the highest quality of life for the seniors of today and tomorrow.



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# William "Bill" Skalitzky Attorney, Applegate & Thorne-Thomsen, Chicago



EHDOC admires and celebrates humanitarians and those that truly exemplify, "Housing with a Heart." EHDOC is honored to provide William "Bill" Skalitzky with our Vendor Excellence award. Bill is EHDOC's trusted legal advisor, friend, and part of our family. He continues to fight for what is right for EHDOC and for others. We continue to be humbled by his kind and generous nature, while at the same time his strong and relentless, mission driven character assisting our seniors. Bill's guidance and direction has allowed EHDOC to remain strong and be able to continue to grow.

Bill – from the bottom of our Hearts...THANK YOU - for your precise, unique and unprecedented guidance, for your compassion for nonprofit organizations and most of all for being YOU











# EHDOC Roundup

# - Welcome Our Vew Vice President

A warm EHDOC welcome to Brian Zitnik, our new Vice President of Property Management. Brian is a seasoned professional and will be working with our Executive Team, Regional Managers and Community Managers on the EHDOC property portfolio.

Brian began his career as a leasing agent and discovered that he had a passion for helping to provide people with a home where they and their families could thrive. In the following years, he developed his skills in management, particularly in the tax credit arena, and was most recently a Vice President of Property Management for a large property management company, managing over 50 properties from Minnesota to Florida.

Brian noted, "I am honored to be part of an organization whose non-profit motives truly align with my long-standing passion of providing safe, affordable homes to our nation's most vulnerable populations."







# Leading Age Service Coordinator of the Year!

# Leading Age®

At EHDOC, we are proud to have such an amazing team! Delia Sanchez, Service Coordinator for our Palermo Lakes community in Miami, FL was honored at the LeadingAge Convention held on July 17 as the 2023 Service Coordinator of the Year!

In her award video, Delia noted she feels so happy for the recognition. "I do my best with the residents, and work not only with local agencies and the state but try to go forward by looking for even more things to make the residents' lives easier."

Our team supported Delia at the event held in Orlando, FL at the Rosen Shingle Creek Convention Hotel. They had many wonderful words to describe Delia and her caring heart.



Congratulations, Delia, you deserve it!



- Compassionate
- Provides life-changing one-on-one resident services
- Amazing at what she does
- Participates and engages with residents
- We are proud to have her
- Sits down and listens
- Happy all the time
- Finds ways to make residents smile
- Gentle caring soul that makes residents comfortable
- Makes them feel heard
- Works with residents' families
- Introduced the Kindness Day event to the building



#### **COUNCIL HOUSE**

Suitland, MD

To recognize Older Americans Month in May, Council House held a fun paint party! We discovered that our residents are very talented! They enjoyed creating their field of flowers paintings together.



# EHDOC Celebrates Older Americans Month

The theme for the 2023 Older Americans Month was "Aging Unbound." Our communities found a variety of ways to observe the month.





MAYFIELD MANOR I, II, III

Canton, OH

The residents and staff celebrated Older Americans Month on May 19, 2023, with tacos and cake. The residents enjoyed playing games including "fishing", and the staff also joined in.



**JACK KENNY MEMORIAL** 

Rochester, NY

For Older Americans Month, the residents enjoyed an afternoon of step-by-step painting instructions to recreate the nighttime forest picture. There is definitely some truth to the saying, "you are never too old to learn something new!"



Ville Platte, LA

The Evangeline Council on Aging Senior Center assisted us with a paint class for our residents. The residents painted butterflies on canvas to reflect the theme "Aging Unbound", just like a butterfly is unbound. Pictured is Kirk Dupre with Ocean's Behavioral Hospital which donated the canvases, paint, paint brushes and paint trays. Following the painting class, we held a crawfish boil to celebrate with the canvases displayed in the lobby. Our Board Member and Clerk of Court, Randy Deshotel, opened the event with a speech honoring Older Americans and a prayer.



#### **PINE GROVE APARTMENTS**

Pineville, LA

Our Older Americans Month activity was a fun "Sip and Paint". Residents came out and enjoyed socializing, painting, and refreshments. Our 3D flower vases were beautiful! We thank Laginappe Home Care/ Kim Dauzat who donated all the supplies.

#### STEEL PLAZA

Los Angeles, CA

A month-long observance for Older Americans Month was led by the 'Administration for Community Living' to promote flexible thinking about

aging. Residents gained awareness by learning how they can benefit from each other when they remain active, engaged and included. Using

> exercise to motivate each other, residents joined together for a community walk for 30 minutes and cheered each other on.



#### **STONINGTON ARMS**

Pawcatuck, CT

On May 1, 2023 Stonington Arms residents joined staff for a combined Older Americans / May Day / Kentucky Derby pancake breakfast. Fun was

had by all, as residents wore their decorated Kentucky Derby hats and won prizes for their wind-up chick and bunny races. Staff paid tribute to all residents by thanking them for each part they play in keeping the community connected.





What Is Independent Living at EHDOC Properties?

By Roland Broussard, Senior Vice President of Operations and Development

Although "Independent Living" sounds as if you live solely without services or help from any support agencies, independent living actually refers to a wide range of residential options that afford older adults the opportunity to live on their own while taking advantage of various quality management services, resident services, and amenities like EHDOC communities have to offer. Independent living rental options are usually designed and arranged specifically for older adults, and the type of housing they provide, from apartments to townhomes to single family homes, can vary.

EHDOC's independent living rental communities are specifically developed and managed for seniors, generally ages 62+, who don't need assistance with activities of daily living but are looking for a living environment that offers privacy with additional

supportive services with access to resources, onsite amenities, and voluntary social programs and activities.

While many seniors are living longer and prefer to age in-place in their homes versus in licensed assisted living or skilled nursing facilities, there are myriad of benefits to moving into an independent living affordable housing community like EHDOC

provides. Living in an EHDOC community can enhance the lives of seniors, allowing quiet enjoyment of daily living independently while offering communal support that extends well beyond just doctors and family members.

There are several factors to consider when looking for an independent living rental community that suits you or your loved ones. For some, access to quality onsite management and services are important while others prefer the amenities of a retirement community. EHDOC develops and manages quality affordable housing because we believe in promoting an 'aging-in-place' concept while providing superior management and resident services including ease of access to community-based organizations, entitlements, healthcare, transportation, food, and shopping.

All 58 EHDOC properties across the country, DC and Puerto Rico offer a variety of amenities such as spacious apartments, community rooms, computer labs, library, dining hall, lounge, craft and game rooms and fitness centers. Some are even equipped with an onsite beauty salon for hair appointments, and our properties in Illinois offer campus transportation to and from each building.



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"There are several factors to consider when looking for an independent living rental community that suits you or your loved ones."

-Roland Broussard

Another quality amenity that EHDOC has to offer is an impressive array of qualified and well-trained staff, from executives, senior management, administrative staff, maintenance personnel, to resident service coordinators – they are all the BEST! Our qualified and trained staff are the reason for EHDOC's success. Their commitment to 'Housing With A Heart' makes all the difference.

While seniors have a choice and may choose to move to an independent living rental community to achieve a sense of self-sufficiency, there is no place like home in an EHDOC community.

# The Robert Odom Maintenance Technician of the Year Award





July 25, 1965 - May 19, 2023

The EHDOC Family misses Robert Odom, (July 1965-May 2023). Robert was a beloved Maintenance Person at Savoy Heights Apartments in Louisiana. Robert was born in Memphis, TN and was a resident of Duralde, Louisiana. He enjoyed fishing for bass at Chicot State Park and loved to sit on his back porch, drinking coffee.



In 2023, Robert was the recipient of our "Maintenance Technician of the Year" award. In recognition of his contributions, the award has fondly been renamed "The Robert Odom Maintenance Technician of the Year" award.

The award recognition coincided with EHDOC's celebration of the 1st Annual Global Maintenance Day on Friday, June 9, where a moment of silence was observed as we each reflected on Robert's achievements, admired his dedication, and missed his presence with us.

Robert's wife Tessie sent a thank you card to EHDOC expressing her appreciation for the loyalty and friendship expressed by the staff throughout Robert's illness. She said, "Robert so much loved working for your company, EHDOC."

Another story, from Savoy Heights Community Manager Amanda Duplechin, demonstrates the camaraderie and caring of Robert with his peers at EHDOC. "I wanted to share that Robert's caring, positive, and unselfish personality was present until his last dying breath," she says. "As there are only three employees here at the property, together we came up with a unique code word when one of us was either having a bad day or something was stressing us out - to change the mindset. Our code word was "18".

Upon being notified of Robert's passing, when the exact time was discovered...chills came over our bodies. Robert passed away on the morning of Friday, May 19th at 8:18 am. With all our hearts we believe that Robert waited for both of us to arrive at work that morning as scheduled at 8:00 and took his last breath 18 minutes later as a sign that everything was going to be ok, and so was he. So, the number 18 will always hold a special meaning for us."

Our appreciation of Robert's hard work and dedication is immense as we mourn this insurmountable loss. All of our love and thoughts go out to his family and friends.



Global Maintenance Day on June 9th was established as a day to promote and celebrate the value of maintenance in our lives. The Day recognized the dedication of all maintenance technicians and their contributions to the community and well-being of humanity.

According to the event website, globalmaintenanceday.com, besides its main task of keeping things running, good maintenance has many other positive influences and impacts that we do not consider at first glance, such as economic benefit, sustainable development, and increased safety.

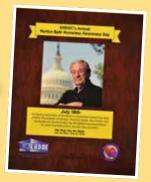
Proper maintenance usually takes place behind the scenes, so we are not always aware of its importance. Good technicians ensure that everything runs smoothly, even before a problem arises. Often, we don't even realize that maintenance has been carried out nor are we aware that we can contribute to it ourselves by small actions such as cleaning our coffee machine, greasing our bike, etc.

Global Maintenance Day is initiated by the Global Forum on Maintenance and Asset Management (GFMAM) to put forward the importance of maintenance in different aspects of life.



# **Working Together**

### for Morton Bahr Homeless Awareness Day



Our former leader Chairman Emeritus Morton Bahr holds a special place in our hearts. He was devoted to the plight of the homeless. Therefore, every year on Mr. Bahr's birthday, July 18, our communities hold donation drives to collect clothing and personal hygiene products to donate to organizations which benefit the homeless. Our residents enjoy giving their time and resources. Read on to learn about the impact of our seniors and staff!



#### **HOME OFFICE**

Plantation, FL

EHDOC's Home Office created a display with balloons, the Morton Bahr plague, plus food and clothing collection boxes to benefit the homeless. The staff and visitors contributed to the goods which were delivered to an organization called The Homeless Voice, Davie, FL.



#### **EARL M. BOURDON CENTRE**

Claremont, NH

Karmen Letourneau (center), Earl M. Bourdon Centre Admin, along with Linda Schettino (right), Service Coordinator for the property, present Sherry Hallock (left), Director of the local Homeless Shelter with the items collected from our Morton Bahr Homeless Awareness Drive.



We held a donation drive and delivered all items to St. Vincent De Paul Mission of Bristol. Residents donated money and items for the event. All items were donated on July 18th.





#### JOHN PIAZZA APARTMENTS, DINO PAPAVERO APARTMENTS

Fontana, CA

Neighboring properties John Piazza & Dino Papavero collaborated to encourage residents to participate in the Morton Bahr Homeless Awareness Day drive. Several boxes of hygiene and toiletries products were collected at Donation/Drop off locations. The items were donated to the local Catholic Charities organization, which was very appreciated.



#### **MAYFIELD MANOR I, II, III**

Canton, OH

On July 18, the residents donated goods for the Refuge of Hope Homeless Shelter to celebrate Morton Bahr Homeless Awareness Day. In addition, the residents enjoyed a Paint and Sip event given by Karina Rapalo, owner of Silver Lining Medicare. Karina and her mother donated items and taught the residents how to paint beautiful flowers.



## MORTON & FLORENCE BAHR TOWERS

Washington, DC

Morton & Florence Bahr Towers decided to hold a "Sock Drive" for the homeless. We donated the socks to The Family Center which is part of Central Union Mission of DC.

## OAKWOOD APARTMENTS

Cheneyville, LA

Oakwood Apartments and citizens from the town of Cheneyville donated essential items to the Central Louisiana Homeless Coalition. The Supportive Services



Manager was very appreciative and expressed a dire need for donations. One of our residents has already begun making a donation list for next year.



#### **PALERMO LAKES**

Miami, FL

In honor of Morton Bahr Homeless Awareness Day, residents at Palermo Lakes donated summer clothing and hygiene products to Miami Rescue Mission/Caring Places, a homeless shelter in Miami. We thank our volunteers for organizing and packaging the items. Caring Places came to pick up the donation for the homeless and were very grateful.

## Mr. Bahr's Mission Continues....



#### **PINE GROVE APARTMENTS**

Pineville, LA

Pine Grove Apartments collected hygiene items for the homeless in remembrance of Morton Bahr. All items were donated to the Homeless Coalition of Alexandria, LA.



#### ROBERT SHARP TOWERS I & II

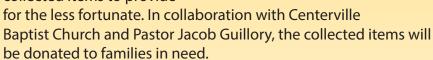
Miami, FL

In honor of one of Morton Bahr's favorite passions, to support the homeless and bring awareness to homelessness, residents of Robert Sharp Towers I & II collected personal hygiene products and socks. The items were donated to New Hope C.O.R.P., an agency that provides community-based services including transitional housing for the homeless.

## SAVOY HEIGHTS APARTMENTS

Mamou, LA

In honor of Morton Bahr Homeless Awareness Day, Savoy Heights residents and staff collected items to provide





# Morton Bahr Awareness Homeless Day Logs Appeles MISSION DONATION BOX

#### **STEEL PLAZA**

Los Angeles, CA

Residents contributed donations which were given to the Los Angeles Mission. Items donated included SPF Sun Face shields, socks, hand sanitation wipes and water bottles. Shown is resident Duk Won Ahn with a donation box.



#### STEELWORKERS TOWER

Pittsburgh, PA

Steelworkers Tower residents donated Bombas® Socks to The Sheppard's Heart Homeless Shelter for Veterans. Thank you to resident Mr. Robert Pitts for his assistance.



## TEAMSTERS RESIDENCES

Maumee, OH

In memory of Morton Bahr, the residents at Teamsters Residence collected household and bathroom items to donate to the Aurora Project, a homeless shelter.



#### **TORRE JESUS SANCHEZ ERAZO**

Bayamón, PR

In honor of Morton Bahr Homeless Awareness
Day, the Torre Jesus choo-choo train came back to "deliver" collected items to benefit Project Hogar Amaparo. Residents Juan Fernandez (far left) and Joyce Shaw (2nd from right) pose with personnel from the homeless agency.



#### **VILLAGE DE MEMOIRE**

Ville Platte, LA

Residents came together and purchased ribbons, ice cream sandwiches and popsicles at Village de Memoire on July 18, 2023 to raise funds to benefit the homeless. All proceeds were donated to the Xtra Mile Program to assist the homeless. What a great way to honor the wonderful Morton Bahr!!



#### **WORLEY'S PLACE**

Jacksonville, AR

The residents at Worley's Place collected donations for the annual Morton Bahr Homeless Day. All the donations were taken to a local business that caters to the homeless called Fishnet. Clothing, shoes, food, and money were donated and delivered on Tuesday, July 18th.



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THANK YOU!

## **You Can Help Our Seniors!**

EHDOC's Senior Relief Fund is a part of our 'Housing with a Heart' mission that, among many things, assists residents who struggle with gaps in paying for monthly household and healthcare expenses. Thanks to our generous partners and friends like you, the Senior Relief Fund provides peace of mind to our seniors nationwide. Won't you help us make a difference?



# Community Anniversary Celebrations

Our EHDOC communities in Massachusetts and Connecticut welcomed members of the Executive Team as they celebrated their property anniversaries. We are proud of our senior communities that keep providing quality and caring independent living for seniors, year after year!



We thank the Boston Mayor's Office for the permission to use these event photos.

# Robert A. Georgine Tower 28th Anniversary

The 28th anniversary of Robert A. Georgine Tower, Charlestown, MA, was big media news! In the July 13, 2023 edition of the *Boston Orange*, a publication distributed by the Boston Mayor's Office, Robert A. Georgine Tower was featured on the front page as Mayor Michelle Wu joined EHDOC staff and residents in celebrating. The *Charlestown Patriot Bridge* published another article on July 27, 2023 which recognized the anniversary, talked about the state of senior housing in Boston and congratulated the staff on the asset that Robert A. Georgine Tower is to the community.

Melanie Ribeiro, EHDOC's President and CEO, and Melissa Tarrant, Vice President of Field Operations, along with Regional Manager Steven Boddie traveled to Charlestown to enjoy the event.

In addition to Mayor Wu, other dignitaries attending the celebration who spoke included: Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta and State Representative Dan Ryan.



(L-R) Valerie K. Frias, CEO of Ethos; Emily Shea, Director of the Age Strong Commission; Paul Sullivan, EHDOC Community Manager of Robert A. Georgine Tower; Michelle Wu, Mayor of Boston; Steven Boddie, EHDOC Regional Manager; Tracy Campbell, EHDOC Resident Service Coordinator of Robert A. Georgine Tower; Melissa Tarrant, EHDOC Vice President of Field Operations; and Melanie Ribeiro, EHDOC President and CEO.





Robert A. Georgine Community Manager Paul Sullivan thanked the Mayor and other guests for their attendance and for their support in the work to make more affordable housing available.

The link to the Charleston Patriot Bridge article may be found here: **bit.ly/Georgine28.** 

# Congratulations,

Robert A. Georgine Tower!





Staff and residents enjoyed coffee, pastries and fun while celebrating the 37th anniversary of Anthony Delorenzo Towers, Bristol, CT, on May 17. Community Manager Jeffrey Edelson was the Master of Ceremonies, and welcomed resident and veteran Gary Morgan who led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Dorothy Maffei from Saint Stanislaus Parish who gave the invocation.

Speakers included Mayor Jeff Caggiano; City Councilman Andrew Howe; Former President of the AFL-CIO and EHDOC Board of Director John Olsen: Vice President of Field Operations Melissa Tarrant; and closing remarks by EHDOC President and CEO Melanie Ribeiro. Other EHDOC staff attending included Regional Manager Steven Boddie and Todd Hughes, Vice President of Maintenance. Special recognition was given to the property's longestterm resident Barbara Capaldo who has lived at Anthony Delorenzo Tower for 37 years, and to the property's oldest resident, Lorraine Sherman, who is 90.



(L-R) Judy Reilly, Community Manager at South Boston Elderly, Resident Thomas White, Resident Joseph Russo, EHDOC President and CEO Melanie Ribeiro, and Vice President of Field Operations Melissa Tarrant

#### **South Boston Elderly** 25th Anniversary

South Boston Elderly in Boston, MA celebrated its 25th Anniversary on July 13, 2023. EHDOC President and CEO Melanie Ribeiro and Vice President of Field **Operations Melissa Tarrant** 

along with Regional Manager Steven Boddie attended the happy day. Residents enjoyed refreshments and the soulful tunes of the bagpipes played by Patrick McClellan. Speakers included Elissa Sherman, President of Leading Age Massachusetts, and Boston City Council President Edward Flynn. Recognition certificates for the oldest residents were presented by Community Manager Judy Reilly to Thomas White and Joseph Russo. Also attending was Emily Shea, Director of the Age Strong Commission.

#### **Stonington Arms** 28th Anniversary

Stonington Arms, Pawcatuck, CT, held a party on May 17 celebrating the community's 25th through 28th year anniversaries. Thirty residents attended. Charlotte Whipple Resident recognized as the longest-term resident at Stonington Arms, and Rosemarie Michalak as the oldest resident at age 93. The community welcomed EHDOC staff including Melanie Ribeiro, President and CEO; Melissa Tarrant,



Vice President of Field Operations; Todd Hughes, Vice President of Maintenance; and Steven Boddie, Regional Manager of CT, ME, NH and MA. In addition, John Olsen, Former President of the AFL-CIO and EHDOC Board of Director attended, as well as First Selectman Danielle Chesebrough. The residents remarked that it was a beautiful festivity, and they were proud to call Stonington Arms their home. Purple frosted cupcakes and purple lemonade were served, and goody bags were distributed to all residents.

#### Torre Jesus Sanchez Erazo **40th Anniversary**

The residents and staff of Torre Jesus Sanchez Erazo, Bayamón, Puerto Rico, held an internal gathering to

celebrate the 40th anniversary of the building. Residents enjoyed live music and meals and honored those who have been in the community for a long time. An audiovisual presentation of different important

events in the community's history was followed by socializing and dancing.





## ANTHONY DELORENZO TOWERS LP

Bristol, CT

Annually, EHDOC Anthony DeLorenzo Towers hosts a resident picnic. This year it was held on Friday, May 19, 2023. Residents enjoyed hotdogs and hamburgers grilled by our Community Manager Jeffrey Edelson along with chips and soda. Many residents brought baked goods and salads to go with the main fare.

# HOUSING WITH A HEART...



#### **STONINGTON ARMS**

Pawcatuck, CT

We held our annual National Root Beer Float Day celebration on August 3, 2023. The residents had a wonderful time socializing together over root beer floats, reminiscing about the 1950's when



these sweet treats were all the rage. Residents Sonja Anderson and Nora Kelly decorated the community room with 1950's memorabilia and old Bee Bee dairy signs to take residents back to a simpler time.



#### **ROBERT A. GEORGINE**

Charlestown, MA

On August 4, we had Hercules the therapy horse from Horses over America

in conjunction with the Boston Police Department visit the residents. Hercules is a spectacular 17.3 hand Friesian gelding. Residents got to feed Hercules all kinds of treats. We had a big turnout, and everyone was so excited to see Hercules who is gorgeous (and enormous!) The Founder & Executive Director of Horses over America is Lieutenant Colonel Gerry Scott, US Army Reserve-Retired. Lieutenant Colonel Gerry was fortunate when he was a Captain to command one of our Army's three horse units. Officer Frank Wong and Officer Robert DiRienzo work with Wrangler Gerry Scott when he visits places around Boston. The Boston Police Department is starting a new therapy horse program to help the residents of the City of Boston.



## J. MICHAEL FITZGERALD LP APARTMENTS

Chicago, IL

We observed World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) on June 15. We helped raise awareness by

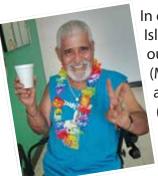
creating posters from the Elder Abuse Awareness Fact Sheets and hanging them in the Community Room. Approximately 16 residents enjoyed

exhibiting paintings and making signs about preventing elder abuse. Refreshments were served.



#### **TORRE JESUS SANCHEZ ERAZO**

Bayamón, PR



In our tropical Caribbean Island, we usually refer to our seasons as: summer (May-June-July) and Christmas (January) because our environment

doesn't match with the

seasons of winter, spring, summer and fall. Here, it is just hot, or a little bit cold. Residents including Ramon Sierra enjoyed a hot dog and Coke® to welcome summer.



#### **STONINGTON ARMS**

Pawcatuck, CT

On July 7, Stonington Arms staff and the Sunshine Committee held a National Peace and Love Day cookout. International Peace & Love Day was introduced by the Beatles' drummer Ringo Starr for his July 7 birthday in 2008. Residents enjoyed hamburgers and hotdogs. They paused to recognize the peace and love in their lives and discussed how to focus on positive energy.



## MONTFORT HEIGHTS & LA MAISON ACADIENNE

St. John Valley, ME

On Friday, June 30th, EHDOC's Regional Service Coordinator Jessica Savoie & Community Manager Eric Frugé set up a resource table to help the community interested in senior housing in St. John Valley. They gave out applications, flyers, pens, water bottles, lanyards & bottled water while sharing information on our north Maine properties, Montfort Heights and La Maison

Acadienne. The resource fair was a huge success!



# ...EVERY DAY JOY AT EHDOC RESIDENCES



#### **MORSE MANOR**

Morse, LA

children.

Morse Manor residents gathered on June 12th and

16th to cut, sew, stuff and make over 65 small dolls for Healing House Children. Healing House is an organization that counsels young children who have experienced a loss/death of a close family member, serving about 500 children per year. The dolls are placed into coping kits and distributed to new

# Podcasts: Education & Entertainment

What is a podcast? It is an audio recording that you can listen to on your mobile phone. Podcasts can be fun and there is a huge variety to choose from. From fiction to mysteries, to tools for life, how-to's, travel or just about any topic you can think of, podcasts can be a great entertainment source to add to your day.

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**Android:** Visit Google Playstore, search "podcast player" to bring up your options, and install.

**Iphone:** Tap the App Store icon and be sure you are signed in including your Apple ID and password. Use the search function to find the podcast app you like and install it.

#### **Choices may include:**

- Apple Podcasts
- Overcast
- Pocket Casts
- Castro
- Google Podcasts
- Spotify
- Podcast Player

Some podcast apps may have free trials and then ask for a small fee, so read the fine print about each app to see if it suits your needs.





#### **6 Podcasts for Seniors**

From **www.seniorliving.org**, here are some appealing podcasts for seniors:

#### 1. Happy Place

Interviews with people about happiness and well-being.

#### 2. Life Kit

This podcast by NPR teaches how to do just about everything.

#### 3. The Mindful Minute

Learn the benefits of meditation to reduce stress and anxiety.

#### 4. Griefcast

Award-winning podcast hosted by comedians, blends raw topics with humor.

#### 5. Feel Better, Live More

Hosted by a doctor, hear experts on practical health topics and health myths.

#### 6. Better Health While Aging

Common problems people face as they age, hosted by a geriatrics specialist.



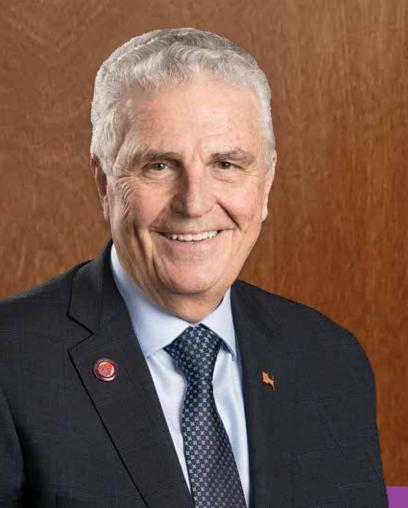






# STEVE PROTULIS

December 19, 1941 – April 19, 2021



## **EHDOC Communities Nationwide**

Working to meet the need for senior housing across the country

**Arkansas** 

Jacksonville Towers

*Iacksonville* 

100 units | 9 story

Worley's Place

Jacksonville

44 units | 3 story

**California** 

Dino Papavero Senior Centre

Fontana

150 units | 11 story

Murray Place

Bell

71 units | 5 story

Steel Plaza

Los Angeles

65 units | 11 story

John Piazza Apartments

Fontana

59 units | 4 story

Minerva Manor

Fontana

63 units | 3 story

Connecticut

Anthony J. DeLorenzo Towers

Bristol

90 units | 5 story

Stonington Arms

Pawcatuck

75 units | 2 story quadraplex

**Florida** 

Council Towers North

Miami Beach

125 units | 12 story

**Council Towers South** 

Miami Beach

125 units | 12 story

**EHDOC MC Pepper Towers** 

150 units | 12 story

Mosaico

Miami

271 units | 13 story

Palermo Lakes Apartments

109 units | 15 story

Robert Sharp Towers I

Miami Gardens

109 units | 7 story

Robert Sharp Towers II

Miami Gardens

109 units | 7 story

Steve Protulis Tower East

Miami

50 units | 5 story

Steve Protulis Tower West

Miami

69 units | 7 story

Illinois

North Park Village Apartments

Chicago

180 units | 2 & 3 story

**Prete Apartments** 

Chicago

75 units | 4 story

**Senate Apartments** 

Chicago

240 units | 4 story

Edward M. Marx Apartments

Chicago

31 units | 3 story

J. Michael Fitzgerald

**Apartments** 

Chicago

63 units

Louisiana

Chateau des Amis

Ville Platte

49 units | 2 story

Leisure Lane Apartments

19 units | garden style

Morse Manor

Morse

19 units | garden style

**Oakwood Apartments** 

Cheneyville

16 units | garden style

Pine Grove Apartments

Pineville

77 units | 2 story

Point Villa Apartments

Church Point

19 units | garden style

**Riverbend Apartments** 

Mermentau

22 units | garden style

Savoy Heights Apartments

Mamou

54 units | 2 story

**Sunshine Center Apartments** 

Leesville

37 units | garden style

Village de Memoire

Ville Platte

115 units | 2 story

Maine

Chateau Cushnoc

Augusta

60 units | 3 story

La Maison Acadienne

Madawaska

62 units | 3 story

Spring Rock Park Leeds

Leeds

20 units | 2 story

John Marvin Tower

Augusta

32 units | 3 story

**Montfort Heights** 

St. Agatha

21 units | 3 story

Maryland/ Washington, DC

Council House

Marlow Heights 161 units | 9 story

Morton & Florence Bahr Towers

Washington

54 units | 5 story

Massachusetts

Robert A. Georgine Tower

Charlestown

42 units | 6 story

South Boston Elderly

Boston 50 units | 3 story

**New Hampshire** 

Earl M. Bourdon Centre

Claremont 80 units | 3 story

**New Mexico** 

40 units | 4 story

**Edward Romero Terrace** Albuquerque

**New York** 

Clyde F. Simon Lakeview I

150 units | 5 story

Clyde F. Simon Lakeview II

Bath

39 units | 3 story

**Jack Kenny Memorial** 

91 units | 6 Bldg - 2 story

Ohio

Mayfield Manor I

Canton

144 units | 6 story

Mayfield Manor II

Canton

66 units | 8 story

Mayfield Manor III Canton

40 units | 4 story

**Teamsters Residence** 

Maumee

52 units | 1 story quadraplex William W. Winpisinger

Cleveland 42 units | 7 story

**Pennsylvania** 

**Hugh Carcella Apartments** 

120 units | 11 story

I.W. Abel Place

Pittsburgh 49 units | 6 story

Lloyd McBride Court

Millvale

58 units | 5 story

Lynn Williams Apartments

Pittsburgh 42 units | 5 story

Steelworkers Tower

Pittsburgh 79 units | 11 story

**Puerto Rico** 

Torre Jesus Sanchez Erazo

100 units | 11 story

Bayamon

**EHDOC Communities** 

as of September 2023









