



GIVING GUIDE

Friendship Ark Homes is a 501(c)(3) registered non-profit organization. All of our homes and other assets were acquired as a result of private donations from families, friends or caring individuals in the community.

Medicaid's Home and Community Based Service program (HCBS) pays for the daily direct care costs of providing services to our core members.

Administrative costs are not covered by HCBS. These costs must be covered through donations.

Ways to Give	Services Funded	How to Give
Operating Expenses	Administrative Salaries, Office Rent, various overhead expenses such as Liability Insurance.	Donate Cash, Property, or Securities as a one-time gift or on a regular basis.
		Sponsor the Fall Benefit.
		Donate Auction Items for the Fall Benefit.
		Attend the Fall Benefit (\$45 of your registration is tax deductible).
		Purchase donated items at the Fall Benefit.
		Donate prizes for 5! on the 4 th !
		Participate in the 5! on the 4 th ! Race.
		Use this link to shop online and give back 0.05% to FAH http://smile.amazon.com/ch/42-1489488
Capital Campaign	Construction of additional homes. Our waiting list is growing regularly.	Donate Cash, Property, or Securities.
Endowment Fund	We established the Friendship Ark Homes Endowment Fund to ensure the long term success of the organization. This fund operates under the Story County Community Foundation (SCCF), which is affiliated with the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines (CFGDM). Our Fund is managed by the CFGDM for a nominal fee. Donations to this fund are not only tax deductible, but also give you a 25% Endow Iowa tax credit.	Donate cash or securities to the Friendship Ark Homes Endowment Fund. Bequeath a part of your estate to the Fund.

NOTE: All donations of property or securities are immediately sold at fair market value unless the property is directly usable.

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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



OUR MISSION:

Friendship Ark celebrates the uniqueness of adults with intellectual disabilities by providing homes and community services. We help those core members reach their fullest potential through faith, family and friendship.

Friendship Ark's spacious, comfortable homes provide cozy, family-oriented spaces for the core members who live together. They truly become a family. Core members have private bedrooms, which they personalize to reflect their interests. They have common living spaces where family activities and meals are shared. The homes are accessible for core members who have physical disabilities.

Community services integrate core members into the community, with activities such as gardening, swimming, fishing and trips to parks. These services are available to core members who live in our homes and who have other living arrangements. The Friendship Ark day habilitation program is one of the first of its kind in Iowa.

Friendship Ark is witnessing growing demand for both homes and community services at the same time that some funding sources are expected to decline. Parents and guardians of potential core members are attracted to Friendship Ark for a variety of reasons, such as:

- The organization is faith-based.
- It has a reputation for achieving the developmental goals set for each core member.
- The staff is compassionate, caring and committed.
- Friendship Ark is fully accredited by the Commission on Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).

Opportunities that lie ahead for Friendship Ark include:

- Construction of a 5th home in 2017 to serve additional individuals who are on the waiting list.
- Growth of the endowment through the Story County Community Foundation will expand resources for day habilitation and other programs, allowing more core members to be served.
- Ensure a strong long-range future by securing commitments for deferred gifts.

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CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HOME

Friendship Ark plans to build a home in west Ames in 2017 to expand its services to adults with developmental disabilities. The home must be funded with donations.

- Your gifts may be cash or marketable securities.
- Pledges may be paid over a period of up to five years (completed by 2021).
- You may benefit from tax savings if you contribute assets that have grown in value. When considering how to complete your gift, please consult with your tax advisor.

Fundraising goal: \$500,000 in gifts and pledges by March 2017

ENDOWMENT GROWTH

An endowed fund designated for Friendship Ark Homes at the Story County Community Foundation (SCCF) is intended to help Friendship Ark sustain and expand its services.

- Five percent of the endowment balance is available to support Friendship Ark programs and services each year.
- Gifts to qualified SCCF endowed funds are eligible for Endow Iowa Tax Credits (EITC). Taxpayers may take a 25% Iowa tax credit in addition to the normal federal income tax deductions for charitable gifts up to \$300,000 per taxpayer per year. The \$6 million allocated for EITC each year is available until the funds have been used. Additional information is available from SCCF: 515-232-9200, storycounty@storycountyfoundation.org.

Endowment fundraising goal: \$500,000 by 2018

DEFERRED GIFTS

With an eye to the future, Friendship Ark is working with people who want to ensure that the organization will be strong for years to come. This can be done in a variety of ways, such as:

- **LIFE INSURANCE:** You can name Friendship Ark as a beneficiary on a new or existing policy.
- **WILL:** You can name Friendship Ark as a beneficiary of a specific dollar amount or a percent of your estate.
- **CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST:** Depending on your current and future income needs, a charitable trust can offer several advantages. You transfer an asset to the trust, take the tax deduction, and receive income from the trust during your lifetime. Friendship Ark will receive the proceeds that remain.

Deferred gifts goal: \$1,000,000 by 2018

ABOUT FRIENDSHIP ARK HOMES:

- Incorporated in 1999; started serving adults with disabilities in 2000
- Total number of core members served: 20 in 24 hour/group homes, 6 in hourly Supported Community Living, 28 in Day Habilitation
- Current waiting list has 26 referrals for 24 hour supports
- Employ over 50 full time and part time staff
- Annual operating budget for over \$2,000,000
- Mortgage free on all owned properties
- 3 Year Accreditation (highest given) from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehab Facilities (CARF)
- Services fees are paid for by the Home and Community Based Services Waiver through Medicaid
- An endowment established through the Story County Community Foundation makes donors eligible for the Endow Iowa Tax Credit
- Current Capital Campaign to raise \$450,000 to build a 5th home and reduce the waiting list



OUR VISION:

Our goal is to help our core members live as fully as they choose. Core members work, volunteer, participate in activities and attend church services. They go to the gym, library, concerts in the park, farmer's market, movies and more. We work together on daily living skill development such as: budgeting money, preparing meals, socialization and participation as part of a family/household. Our 24/7 staff appreciate their relationship with each core member and help them set goals that lead directly to accomplishing their dreams.