

2023 Annual Report

Aging-in-Place Solutions



WHO WE ARE

Bridge of Hope Aging-In-Place Solutions is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our mission is to provide the necessary in-home care resources to the senior community that will promote wellness and safety while bridging the financial gap that exists for in-home care services. We will endeavor to subsidize the cost of in-home, nonmedical care for eligible home-bound individuals through community donations, fundraising efforts, and grants.

Our vision is for every home-bound person to receive the care they need to age in place with compassion, dignity, and respect.

A YEAR OF GROWTH AND POSITIVE CHANGES

2023 was an incredible year of growth for Bridge of Hope. This was our first full year operating as a nonprofit, and it allowed us to truly define ourselves and make positive changes. One such change was our name. Bridge of Hope: Home Care Services became Bridge of Hope: Aging-in-place Solutions. We needed to reduce the confusion that we were not a home care agency, but rather a solution based non-profit for helping our local seniors remain in their own homes.

2023 NOTABLE NUMBERS

31 CLIENTS SERVED **12,456** HOURS OF I CARE H PROVIDED

INDEPENDENT HOME HEALTH AIDES CERTIFIED

18

25K+ VALUE OF SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT GIVEN OUT



The mission of getting the right resources and help to our community seniors, was never more evident by the incredible outcomes that we have witnessed.

Here are 3 of many stories:

Harmon and Dot were in a challenging situation. Both required 24-hour care. They had been slowly declining, one with advancing neurological disorder, the other with poor management of her health and medications. With coordination of care between home health aides, the medical-based home health clinicians, and guidance of our ED and OT, they reduced their in-home care, returned to their summer home in Montana and even came to our fundraiser! **Having oversight and assistance for proper nutrition, exercise and medication management made the difference.**



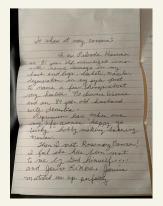


Viola was not recovering well from an illness and was at risk of remaining in a nursing home, as there was no family or care providers in place to support a discharge home. With a call from her friend and power of attorney. Bridge of Hope identified the care needs, equipment, and home health needs necessary to bring her home. With 24-hr care being staffed by independent providers, good case management by our ED, and follow through with Home Health Agency guidelines, Viola thrived and got out of bed. Eventually she attended social events, restaurants and even the ribbon cutting for Bridge of Hope. If not for the efforts of Bridge of Hope, Viola would have likely died in the nursing home and never returned to her home.

"I am Orlonda Hammer, an 81-year old woman with nerve damage in my back and legs, diabetic, macular degeneration in my eyes, just to name a few things about my health. No drivers license and an 89-year old husband with dementia.

Depression has taken over my life, a once "happy go lucky" hobby making baking maniac.

When I met Rosemary Bowser (caregiver), I feel she has been sent to me by God himself... and Janice LaMere. Janice matched us perfectly. "



Financial Snapshot:

INCOME:

Contributions: \$23,110.55

EXPENSES:

Operations:

NET CHANGE:

Programming Services: \$15,796.35 \$4,305.49

+3,008.71

Additional Highlights & Achievements:

- Janice LaMere is our non-medical case manager and Alan Prince is our Safety Equipment Specialist. They provide all assessments and put together a case plan for each client, with the help of the teams that are put in place.
- Launched our website at www.abridgeofhope.org.
- Became members of the Santa Maria Chamber of Commerce and SPOKES. Held our ribbon cutting with the Chamber.
- Started networking in the community and did a presentation at Oasis.
- We have been serving 5 clients from 2022. 31 new clients came to us in 2023. As of the end of 2023, we were still serving 21 clients with the hours of adding up to 12, 456 in 2023.
- We referred 18 Independent Home Health Aides Certified through Care Academy, registered through the CA Department Of Social Services, background checked, and fingerprinted. They are matched with clients.
- Attended courses and workshops through MCSC Women's Business Center and SCORE to better understand how to be successful.
- Articles were published in New Times, MCSC Women's Business Center and Coastal Home Living Magazine about our organization.
- We had our first Fundraiser at House of Bread in San Luis Obispo. Local musician Marci Jean Fambrini and friends donated time playing music.
- Funding came in from Costco and SESLOC as well as several personal donations.
- We donated several walkers, wheelchairs, shower seats, commodes, and much needed incontinence supplies, thus reducing the cost by literally thousands of dollars to our community's seniors.

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