

Phil & the Alessi Family
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#This is How We **VILLAGE**

Dear Phil & Alessi Family,

We are deeply thankful for your generous donation of a beautiful, delicious cake for our Village-Wide Holiday party and your ongoing support of our Wellness, Resilience and Character Development Program. At New Life Village, our program-rich residential community for adoptive, kinship and foster families is focused on providing a permanent supportive environment for children to heal from trauma in a safe community. It's the partnership of community partners within the greater community, such as yourself, that makes our mission a reality and keeps children out of foster care. We are living the proverb "**It takes a Village to raise a child**".



Wendy is a foster mom who moved to New Life Village in 2019. Since then, she has taken Michael, John and Grace into her care. This sibling group was placed into foster care due to an unsafe living environment. Wendy shares that her children have found true safety, stability and a sense of community since moving to New Life Village. "Michael and John are always so excited to come back home to the Village. And Grace says she loves all of the campus events. She truly feels like she is in a caring neighborhood." says Wendy.

NLV's intergenerational model offers an alternative to the existing foster care system and prevents the negative outcomes associated with it. As seniors, caregivers and children take part in our on-site *Wellness, Resilience and Character Development Program*, they engage in holistic, relationship-building programming such as support groups, tutoring, yoga, art therapy, pool time, movie nights, field trips and more. Staff also ensures that each family's individual needs are met by developing tailored case plans to connect them to community wellness resources. The services we provide within our community to caregivers and children ensure that families are supportive and supported. The senior residents of our Village add an extra dimension of assistance by serving as surrogate grandparents, mentors, tutors and respite care providers. Because of your contribution, New Life Village continues to provide families like Wendy's a loving and supportive environment where they can heal and thrive.

We hope you will stay in touch and follow our exciting updates on our webpage <https://newlifestvillage.org/> and our Facebook page at facebook.com/NLVillage/. We are blessed to have your ongoing support.

In Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mariah Hayden".

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