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Our Mission

At Adam’s House we believe every child should never grieve in isolation. Each child deserves a supportive and understanding community to learn and explore their feelings of loss. All grief journeys are unique. Grief is a natural reaction to a loss of a loved one. We strive for children to understand their complex grief feelings, increase resiliency and boost their self-esteem while they create their new normal.
Adam’s House celebrated a special 5-year milestone in 2021. When we started our journey five years ago, we began with a vision to plant a seed of hope in the lives of grieving families. A hope that there was a life beyond the grief and pain and one in which their loved ones would still hold a special place in their hearts.

Close to 200 children and adults have walked through our doors with heavy hearts and broken lives. Throughout our eight-week Helping Hearts Heal programs, children have found a place where they feel safe enough to share their feelings of grief with new friends their age and parents/guardians have found support from others who have suffered similar losses.

For many, it’s the first time they don’t feel alone. They start to share their own seeds filled with memories, feelings (both good and bad), worries, challenges and fears. As the weeks go on, they start to gain strength, begin to heal, and find hope for the future.

As we reflect on our past, we are encouraged by the growth of our organization over a relatively short period of time, especially during the 2020 pandemic and continued challenges our mission and our families faced during 2021. We have found Adam’s House to be resilient through it all and watched our families (brave enough to attend) gain in both hope and resiliency.

While some organizations were forced to temporarily or permanently close their doors during the pandemic, Adam’s House was able to continue helping grieving families during a time when they needed support the most. Thanks to our community of supporters, Adam’s House found the financial and volunteer support needed to not only continue services but add programming such as Holiday Hurdles and Jingle & Mingle to continue to help our Alumni families throughout the Holidays.

As we look to the future at Adam’s House, we foresee an even greater need on the horizon. I am pleased to say that we have been building a strong infrastructure of Board members, staff, volunteers, and supporters that will help us meet the ever-increasing challenges and most importantly, help us plant many more seeds of hope for families throughout Connecticut in the coming years.

~Allison
The Children We Proudly Serve
Community Support for Adam's House

Sperry Rail was our generous matching sponsor for the Great Give. Their support helped us raise over $30k during this social media event.

Adam’s House was awarded a three year grant totaling $70k that will help our organization develop many areas of our program.

THOR has generously sponsored a couple of events this year. One special event was the Shopping with Elves. Our program kids shop with our AH Elves for a surviving parent. THOR purchased gift cards for the kids to shop with. It was a sweet event!

Team Goldman, another generous sponsor for The Great Give, has graciously offered to donate snacks for our program children for the whole year!

The DiMatteo Family Charitable Foundation named Adam’s House as one of the recipients of their annual golf tournament this year. Their event raised $10k for our organization!

Town Fair Tire, Derby, presented Adam’s House with a grant from the Town Fair Tire Foundation.
EVENTS

Open House

Dancing with the Stars

Volunteer & Supporter Appreciation

Corporate Jingle and Mingle

The Great Give

Shopping Event with AH Elves

Friend In Grief (FIG) Trainings Graduates
Our total income for the fiscal year 2021 was $185,604.37 and our total expenditures were $139,459.50. This year has left us with a net gain of $46,144.87. This surplus is a result of a sizable 3-year grant award from the Valley Community Foundation, an increase in individual support with matched corporate donations during the Great Give, and an increase in corporate partnerships.

Despite the ongoing challenges with the global pandemic, we continue to be blessed by a philanthropic community that continues to believe in our mission of supporting bereaved children. We are grateful they give us a means to continue to plant seeds of hope with the bereaved families of Connecticut.
Thank you to our donors for your generous support to Adam’s House in 2021.

We sincerely apologize if you donated to Adam's House but your name was inadvertently left off of this report.
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2021 Facebook Fundraisers for Adam’s House

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David Cribbins
Tanya Grant
Tammy Gray
Michelle Jukoski
Chris Fontaine Maloney
Julie Penny
Denise Reiss

2021 Third-Party Fundraisers for Adam’s House

The DiMatteo Family Charitable Foundation
East Coast Training System
Patti Moonan
Procyon Partners
Thor Specialties, Inc.
Turnpike Spirits, Fairfield
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