



So Much to Celebrate

Approximately 250 guests gathered at the Lerner Crystal Ballroom on March 30 for Lacasa's Annual Luncheon. Lacasa uses this annual event to celebrate accomplishments, recognize sponsors, board and committee members, staff, and community partners, and hear impact stories from the past year. Among those recognized at the luncheon

was Barb Swartley, who was awarded the Moses Beachy "Friend of Lacasa" award. Lacasa is so thankful for its many partnership that help further the mission: *Lacasa works with individuals and community partners to create opportunity for personalemPOWERment, family stability, and neighborhood vitality.*



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A New Look for Elkhart's State Street

As Elkhart County's leading nonprofit in the affordable housing market, Lacasa takes pride in the quality of its work and the impact on community revitalization. And when Lacasa builds foundations, we build to last. If you don't believe it, just drive by one of the three new-construction duplexes or the historical renovation all located in the 100 block of State Street in Elkhart. Between those four

properties, Lacasa improved the street's façade, raised nearby property values, and provided high-quality, affordable housing to eight families. On May 19, community members, city officials, and Lacasa staff gathered for a ribbon cutting and open house celebration. For questions regarding availability at our State Street properties or any other Lacasa rentals, please call us at: 574.533.4450 ext. 59



Classes Provided for the Elkhart County Jail

Lacasa is proud to introduce its newest community partner – The Elkhart County Sheriff's Department...more specifically, the Correctional Complex. So far this year, Lacasa's Community Empowerment Department has hosted financial classes for over 110 inmates inside the jail. The inmates seem to respond well to the financial training. Inmate Erik was released four months ago with a credit score of 450. **"By taking the 'Master Your Money' course I was offered a credit-builder loan and Fresh Start checking account with Lake City Bank,"**. His credit score is now 600! If that's

not impressive enough, the certificate of completion from "Master Your Money" gives class participants access to a credit builder loan and a free checking and savings account through Lake City Bank. Our work in the jail has even caught the eye of our national partner, NeighborWorks. A copy of the coverage we received through their newsletter can be found [HERE](#).

If you would like Lacasa's staff to teach a class for a group with which you are involved, give us a call! 574.533.4450 ext. 73.



Retirement Announcements

Lacasa is both proud and saddened to announce the retirements of Jim Davis and Kevin Schrock. We cannot help but be humbled and inspired by the impact these two men have had on Lacasa over the years. Their contributions to our team, community partners, and residents of Elkhart County will be remembered for years

to come. Both Kevin and Jim have been true examples for new employees to follow. From the entire Lacasa team, we wish them both peace and happiness as they make their well-deserved transitions into retirement.

THANK YOU Jim Davis (15 years) and Kevin Schrock (11 years) for tirelessly pouring into Lacasa's mission.

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Charitable Distribution from your IRA

Taxpayers with a required minimum distribution (RMD) each year and can use a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) to donate directly from a traditional IRA to Lacasa without counting that amount as taxable income. Talk to your financial advisor or tax professional about your specific situation.

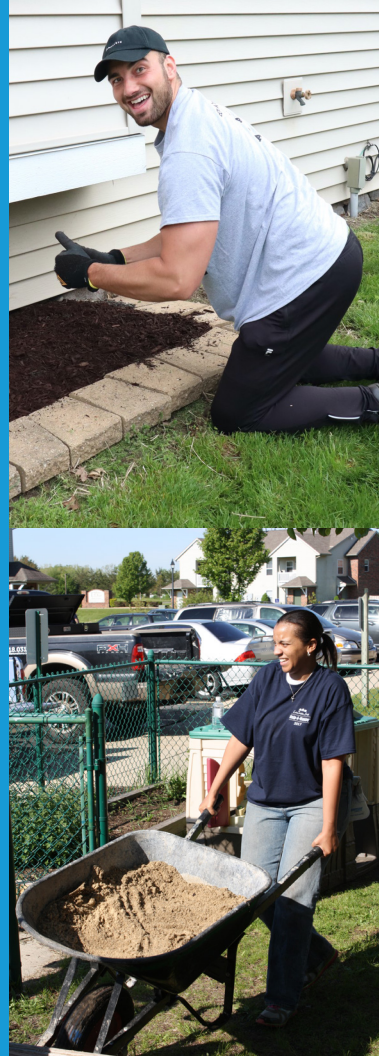
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Become a Member of the Lacasa Legacy Society

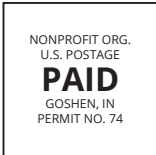
Planned gifts leave a lasting impact on real people and communities in Elkhart County. Please let us know if you have named Lacasa as a beneficiary to your estate or another form of planned giving, or if you'd like to talk about this possibility. Contact Heidi Stoltzfus McHugh by email at heidi.mchugh@lacasainc.net or by phone at 574.533.4450 ext. 26.

Lacasa is grateful for the many ways you contribute to support our mission. Your gifts help impact our community in a lasting way.



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