



40 Albert Street
New Haven, CT 06511

Leeway Ledger

Greetings! Happy Holidays!

We hope this holiday season finds you surrounded by all the things that bring you joy. Everyone at Leeway is preparing for another joyous holiday season as well. We have learned a lot since the beginning of the COVID pandemic. No greater lesson has been learned than not to take any day or moment for that matter for granted. We here at Leeway have been blessed to have been kept safe from the pandemic. Our residents and staff have upheld all necessary precautions to keep each other healthy and protected. Behind the masks are countless smiles because together we have maintained a COVID free facility. We are proud to be one of four skilled nursing facilities in the state of Connecticut that can say that. When you turn the corner onto Albert Street you see a sign that says "Heroes Work Here", truer words can not be spoken. We are grateful to everyone for their endless dedication and support to the Leeway residents.

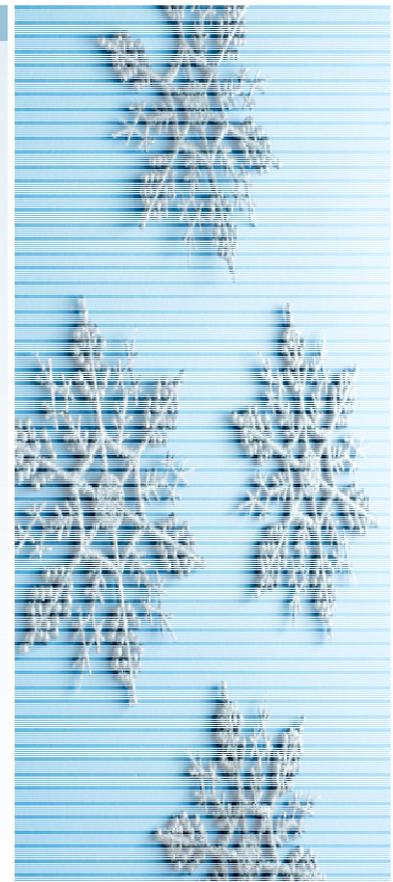
I hope that 2022 brings you good health and happy times. Thank you for your unending support of Leeway, Inc.

Jay Katz

Executive Director

Leeway Mission Statement

Leeway, an integral part of the continuum of AIDS care, is committed to being a center of excellence in providing inpatient rehabilitative and palliative care and creating new community treatment options so that those with AIDS can live as independently as possible. This expert care is respectfully provided with compassion and without regard to race, national origin, age, religion, handicap, gender or sexual orientation with a focus on the integration of body, mind, and spirit. We are committed to promoting quality of life and dignity to all those with HIV/AIDS.



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Community Garden provides fresh vegetables to Leeway Residents and Tenants



Located behind our housing units at Welton Street you will find our community garden. It isn't large but it sure is mighty! Skilled residents every spring volunteer to be a part of the Garden Club. They prepare the land, plant the plants and give the garden their tender loving care. Their tireless efforts paid

off! They were very proud to share the bounty with the entire Leeway Family. This year included tomatoes, peppers, corn, cucumbers, eggplant, mint and melons!

"He who has health has hope; and he who has hope has everything." Arabian proverb



Tree of Life

Sadly loss has touched each of us this. We lost close friends, Mothers, Fathers, Brothers, Sisters, Grandmothers, Grandfathers. The holidays can be an especially trying times, as we recall all the memories we shared with them. Although our loved ones lost will live on forever in our hearts, the holidays are a time of remembrance and doing something special in their honor. This year in the Leeway lobby will be a Tree of Life. The tree will hold snowflake ornaments. Our residents will be making personal ornaments to hang on the tree in the weekly art class. If you would like your loved one's first name on a snowflake ornament please email Elizabeth Daugherty at:

edaugherty@leeway.net.

There is no cost to you, however, you can also honor your loved by making a in memory donation to Leeway. Donations can be sent via check to 40 Albert Street New Haven, CT 06511 or easily done online at leeway.net.



Resident Spotlight

“Susie” was admitted to SNF back in January of 2018 with a handful of diagnoses which included HIV, Failure To Thrive, Anemia, and Chronic Kidney Disease, just to name a few. She arrived to us in a wheelchair unable to ambulate independently. Susie only knew who she was and could not explain why she was at Leeway. Susie was so frail she fell just a few hours after coming to the facility. She eventually got stronger and stronger with the care of the staff and therapy. She ultimately got so mentally and physically strong, she was able to discharge from SNF in November of 2018 and was able to move into our RCH unit. Since then, she has come even farther than before. She currently often goes out into the community with some good friends from RCH on the bus. They like to go shopping for clothing. She is such a fashionista! Susie is wonderful about maintaining her health by attending all her doctor’s appointments and takes full advantage of our newly provided in-house behavioral health team. Thanks to the staff at Leeway, and her strong will to regain her health, she has come so far within the past 3 years! When you ask Susie to say a few things about her time here you will see a woman who’s face beams with gratitude and delight. “This is the best place I have ever lived. The staff, the care, everything has helped me. Before coming here I didn’t talk to anyone. Now I have friends and even sang in the choir and attend groups.”

Upcoming Resident Events

November 25th

Thanksgiving
Feast

December 1st

Worlds AIDS Day
Celebration

December 21st

Holiday Party

December 23rd

Holiday Gift
Exchange

December 31st

New Year’s Eve
Celebration

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How You Can Help

During the Season of Thanks, we recognize those who have supported Leeway's vital work for people in Connecticut with HIV/AIDS. Like all of you, we understand how difficult the current economic climate is. We also know that those who are already marginalized are easily forgotten in hard times. As we approach the December holidays, please remember the urgent and ongoing needs of those we serve. Thank you and

Happy Holidays!

**Donations can be made on
leeway.net or checks can be mailed to
40 Albert St.
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Leave a Legacy

Have you ever thought about making a legacy gift to Leeway?

Some people think they must choose between leaving a gift to their family or their favorite charity. You can do both! Some charitable gifts may actually save your family money by decreasing inheritance taxes. It's as easy as a simple directive in your will. Please think about including Leeway in your estate plans.



Coming Spring 2022

Catherine Kennedy
Memorial Brick
Garden Expansion

Stayed tuned to
Leeway.net for details