



# Webster House

## 2024 Impact Report



Greetings from Webster House! In 2024, we celebrated 140 years of providing a safe and supportive home for New Hampshire's most vulnerable children. Our team provides a comprehensive program that goes beyond basic needs, offering clinical and academic support, independent living skills, and social activities. This year, our dedication earned us a three-year CARF accreditation, which recognizes the quality of care and services we provide.

Two key initiatives we introduced this year are The Seven Challenges® Program and CATCH My Breath Vaping Prevention Program. Seven Challenges is a nationally recognized counseling program for addressing drug issues. CATCH My Breath is the only evidence-based nicotine vaping prevention program for youth in grades 5-12. With substance use being a growing concern, we are proud to support our residents with these programs, offering them healthier coping strategies for a substance-free future.

As we reflect on the progress made this year, we are reminded that none of this would be possible without your steadfast support. Your generosity allows us to continue serving as a cornerstone of care for our community's children. We hope you will keep Webster House in mind as you plan for Giving Tuesday and your end-of-year contributions.

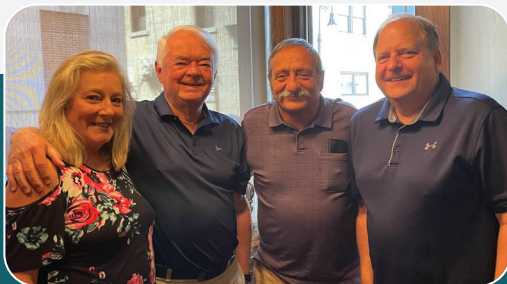
From our Webster House family to yours, we wish you a joyous holiday season filled with love and peace.



*Michelle O'Malley*  
CEO



*Sara James Hoag*  
Board of Directors President



*Pictured Here: Former resident of 6 years, Marlene Turcotte, former Executive Director (1973-1978) Bob O'Toole, former Executive Director (1975-2000) Frank Catano, and former resident of 8 years, Doug Boucher.*

### Donors at the \$5,000 Level and Higher



- Anthony and Gladys Sakowich Foundation
- Bishop's Charitable Association
- Cogswell Benevolent Trust
- Emile and Sue Tetu
- Frank and Celeste Catano
- Granite State Poker Alliance
- John Mann's Guitar Vault
- Madelaine von Weber Trust
- Manchester Auto Dealers Charitable Fund
- Samuel P Hunt Foundation
- William and Roberta Tilley

### SAVE THE DATE

4th Annual Webster House

*Night of Giving*

Presented by M&T Bank

**April 2, 2025**

## IMPACT STATEMENT:

*"I am so grateful that Webster House was there for me when I needed them. Without Webster House, I firmly believe I would not have had the same success I've enjoyed in my entire adult life!"*

-Doug Boucher, former resident of 8 years, graduated from the University of New Hampshire in 1984 and recently retired from teaching in Derry after 34 years. You can hear him on 95.7, WZID, where he has been a radio announcer since 1985.



*Pictured Here: Resident Ella and Blair Stairs, Executive Director. Ella received a \$1,000 scholarship thanks to the S. Richards and Patricia R. Penni Charitable Foundation organized by Maureen and John Cronin.*

# HELP FUND OUR MISSION!

While we receive state funding to support the children in our care, it falls short of covering the comforts and activities that help make Webster House feel like a true home, where every child feels part of a loving and supportive family. Additionally, it doesn't account for the critical needs of operating the Webster House like ongoing repairs and necessary upgrades to our historic home.



SCAN TO HELP

If you're interested in contributing this Giving Tuesday or during your year-end giving, here are a few impactful ways you can help:

## \$150

allows us to celebrate milestones, providing birthday presents, cake, and recognition for school achievements and graduations.

## \$250

ensures residents have seasonal essentials such as clothing, shoes, and personal care products to meet their needs year-round.

## \$500

covers weekend, school break, and summer vacation activities like escape rooms, movie nights at Chunky's, bowling, visits to Canobie Lake Park, Boston outings, and more.

## \$1,000

provides essential Independent Living Skills training for our residents, including driver's education, cooking classes, and community trips to foster independence.

## \$2,500

transforms a resident's bedroom into a cozy, home-like space, offering comfort and security for each child.

## \$5,000

helps fund major renovation and upgrade projects, such as refurbishing the recreation room or updating bathrooms to create a more welcoming environment.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Staff and residents participated in YouthWell's Mental Health First Aid training
- 22 residents 14 years and older participated in our Independent Living Program which includes financial literacy and sexual education
- 6 residents worked part time in the community in addition to attending school
- 3 residents participated in Driver's Ed Courses with one of them being a Drivability Course



## IMPACT STATEMENT:

*"Without the help of Webster House and their resources I would not have made the personal and professional connections that I have today. Webster House has also given me memories of normalcy. Webster House is a safe haven for all who enter its doors! My God, please continue to keep those doors open for the youth who need guidance as I did!"*

-DaSean Green, former resident off and on for 5 years. DaSean is a 21 year old motivational speaker, Magician, and consultant since 2019.