

**LITTLE BROTHERS  
FRIENDS OF  
THE ELDERLY**

**LBFE**

**UPPER MICHIGAN**

**2023 Fiscal Year  
Annual Report**

October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023

# FISCAL YEAR 2023

October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023

## INCOME

Contributions of cash and other financial assets	\$455,489
Foundation and community grants	288,809
Contributions of nonfinancial assets	113,548
Employee retention credit	124,942
Fundraising	18,390
Investment income, net of fees	6,182
Realized gain (loss) on investment securities	(1,794)
Unrealized gain (loss) on investment securities	6,476
Change in value of beneficial interest in funds held by others	189
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	14,472
Interest Income	171
Miscellaneous Income	\$54,185
<b>Total Revenues and Other Support</b>	<b>\$1,081,059</b>

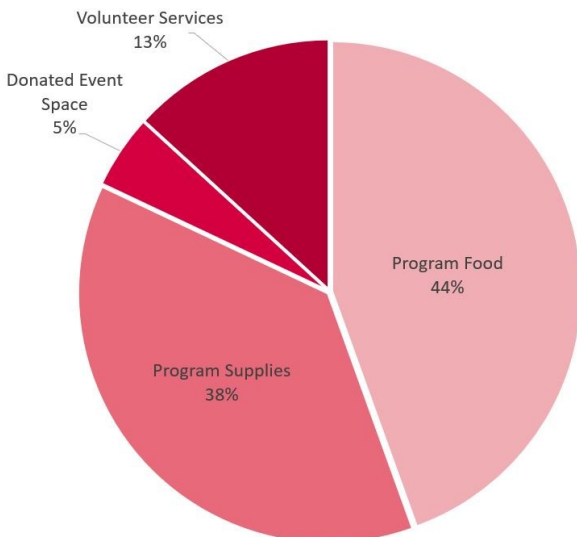
## EXPENSES

Program Services	\$680,480
Management and General	116,235
Fundraising	102,188
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$898,903</b>



## In-Kind Donation Report:

**Total Value \$113,412**



Dear Friends,

As we reflect on our accomplishments of the past year, we are filled with gratitude. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the older adult community.

In 2023, we launched a new Drive to Care initiative to reduce barriers to volunteering for our Medical Transportation Program. This volunteer engagement campaign strengthened an established program by renewing our internal procedures, publicizing the program, and providing incentives by offering mileage reimbursement.

At the end of the first year, the number of volunteer drivers increased by 31% with 32% of drivers utilizing the incentive.

The Medical Transportation Program served 16% more older adults and provided nearly 13% more transports than the previous year.

Overall, we experienced a 10% increase in the total number of older adults served through our seven core programs.

Additionally, program growth in our Marquette service area required growth of our working space. Last year, Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly moved to a new office location downtown where staff has more office space, can meet with donors and volunteers, and host small group activities. Please stop by their new office on West Washington street and say hello.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

*David Geisler*

David Geisler  
Board President

*Carol A. Korpela*

Carol A. Korpela  
Executive Director



**11,636**

Volunteer Hours

**1,193**

Volunteers



**\$367,581 value\***

\*Calculated at the 2023 value of Michigan volunteer time of \$31.59 by The Independent Sector.

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Joann Jurdzinski  
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Steven and Gail Koenigsnecht  
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Kathleen Michel  
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Northern Mutual Insurance Company  
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Larry Carroll and Mary Haller  
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Church of the Resurrection  
David and Kyla Cole  
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John Daavettila  
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Joann Dinneen  
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Ronald Eckart  
Joe and Gail Evans  
Gaylord and Sharon Faull  
Framed By Kathy

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 Sharon Gembrowski  
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 Scott and Kimberly Goffinet  
 Charles Goodwin  
 Willard Gougeon  
 Kristine Goupille  
 Paula Grasso  
 Great Lakes Mutual Insurance  
 Edith Greene  
 Adeline Grier-Welch  
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 John and Julianne Haischer  
 Karen Halonen  
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 Bill and Jill Hodges  
 Jim Holmquist  
 James and Marcia Houle  
 William and Marianne Huebler  
 Nancy Immonen  
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 Ronald and Donna Jutila  
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 Keweenaw Gem and Gift  
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 Barb Kinnunen  
 Grant Kolb  
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 Donald and Cynthia Koss  
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 William and Ethel Larsen  
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 William Lohela  
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 Michele Mukavetz  
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 John and Dala Beard  
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 Sarah Beeson  
 Dorthey Behrend  
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 Jim and Linda Belote  
 Bobbie Benson  
 Lydelle Bergquist  
 Dave Bezotte  
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 Daryl Birely  
 Pamela Blusk  
 Margaret Boden  
 Bodies In Balance  
 Chris and Marianne Bohjanen  
 Maryam Bohsaghcheghazel  
 Andre Bonen  
 John Boujoulian  
 Michael and Julie Boushelle  
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 Thomas Braun  
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 Gerald and Gail Carlson  
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 Michele Cheshareck  
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 Small Group  
 Activities

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 Mark and Karen Halkola  
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 Janyth Hess  
 Howard and Joann Hilshorst  
 Mary Hindelang  
 Tom Hindert and Pam Barnaby  
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 Christine Hodges  
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 Marlene Lehmann  
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 Rudy and Joann Palonen  
 Steve Palosaari  
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 Eileen Pare  
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 Robert and Karen Parssinen  
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 Marianne Piirala  
 Carol Plante  
 Ronald Plotezka  
 David and Kathy Plowe  
 Eugene and Jill Probe  
 Thomas Proulx  
 Russell Provost  
 Stephen Pummill  
 Millie Pyorala  
 Polly Raday  
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 Paul and Linda Ramey  
 Karlyn Rapport



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## Loads of Firewood Delivered

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 Karl and Carolyn Rundman  
 Sherry Ruotsala  
 Michael and Sandi Ruotsi  
 John Ryan  
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 Robert and Carol Salmi  
 Dave Page and Ann Sarnecki  
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 Donald Savera  
 Holly Schipper  
 Horst Schmidt  
 Tim and Charlene Schnelle  
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 Tony and Richele Schwaller  
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 Harold and Kay Seppala  
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 Joseph and Lauralee Shawhan  
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 Karen and Paul Sherzer  
 Elizabeth Shimatz and Norma Michor

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Lily Siller  
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Randall and Betty Simonsen  
Jim and Marcia Slater  
Marge Sliva  
Graham and Louise Sloan  
Gail Smith  
Mikel and Linda Smith  
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Joe and Claire Snow  
Milton and Bodil Soderberg  
Ted and Alice Soldan

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St. Paul the Apostle  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
John and Helen Stenvig  
Jo Anne Stimac  
Mary Jo Stimac  
James and Marcia Stone  
Charles and Carol Streicher  
Judy Sturvist  
Michael Swaney  
Daniel and Denise Swantick  
Jim and Fredi Taddeucci  
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## Bags of Food Delivered



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## Forever Friends

Kirk Yarina and Nancy Reed  
Suzanne Yerg and Daniel Plant  
Brenna Zavadsky  
Clare Zuraw  
Larry and Linda Zurawski

# Memorials

**In memory of Alberta Herveat**  
Andrew Waisanen

**In memory of Alvin Gebeau**  
Janice Gebeau

**In memory of Andrea Jensen**  
Laurie Jensen

**In memory of Angel**  
Anonymous

**In memory of Angeline Moilanen**  
Joanne Edwards  
Paul and Lorraine Tomasi

**In memory of Anna Belleville**  
Helen Mueller

**In memory of Arthur "Art" Coppo**  
Colleen and James Baldrice  
Craig and Gale Boggio  
William and Wendy Hill  
Donna Ryan  
John Ryan  
Kelly Ryan  
Kimberly Shanks

**In memory of Beatrice Wyse**  
Anonymous

**In memory of Betsy and Carl Danielson**  
Michelle Danielson

**In memory of Betty Carlson**  
Gerald and Gail Carlson

**In memory of Bill Sewell**  
Lois Berg

**In memory of Bob and Barbara Filer**  
Sarah Zollweg

**In memory of Brenda Cornock**  
Frank and Elizabeth Allen  
Sandra Howes  
Kelly Kurin  
Dennis and Sharrone Peters  
Kay and Byron Pool  
Melissa Potulny  
Holly Powell  
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Ron and Kathy Strazzinski

**In memory of Butch**  
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**In memory of Carl and Martha Nikkinen**  
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Chuck and Julie Johnson  
Robert Lewis  
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**In memory of Catherine Anderson**  
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**In memory of Cecelia Luttinen**  
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**In memory of Dale Plante**  
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**In memory of Dani**  
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Laura Foster

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Denise Cormier  
Susan Levake  
Sharon Poisson  
Kenneth Seaton  
Julie Walsh

**In memory of Dimitra Pelos**  
Susan Leipholtz

**In memory of Dominic Quello**  
Duane Quello

**In memory of Don Hiltunen**  
Charles and Carol Streicher

**In memory of Donald Dodge**  
Kenneth Seaton

**In memory of Donald J. May**  
Donna LaBonte

**In memory of Donald Mikkola**  
Charles and Carol Streicher

**In memory of Donald Sturvist**  
Anonymous

**In memory of Donald W. Culp**  
Heather Boujoulian  
John Boujoulian  
JoAnn Culp  
Jane Limbacher  
Sue, Mary, Fed and Carla  
Rykaczewski  
Charity Vandenberg

**In memory of Doris Moyle**  
Dana Reichardt

**In memory of Dorothy Norkol**  
Cindy Paavola  
Paul and Lorraine Tomasi

**In memory of Dorothy Nutini**  
Bob and Paula Nutini

**In memory of Dorothy Szymanski**  
Kelly Ryan

**In memory of Ed and Hilda Storm**  
Mary Storm



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## Holiday Meals Served

**In memory of Ed and Mary Grandchamp**  
Kathleen Michel

**In memory of Eila Keski-Hynnala**  
Donald and Terri Keski-Hynnala

**In memory of Eleanor "Cookie" Johnson**  
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**In memory of Gene and Frank Suino**  
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Gretchen Deo  
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**In memory of Glenn Hietala**  
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George and Miriam Kuklenski  
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**In memory of Ida W. Nelson**  
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Kathleen Michel

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Jim and Linda Belote  
Anthony and Marsha Lampinen  
William and Patricia Litchy  
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Audra Morse

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Daryl Birely  
Michele Chesharek  
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Linda Luse

**In memory of Paul Ozzie Winquist**  
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Mary Jo and John Buckett

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## Visits to Lonely Older Adults



Calumet High School Class of '73  
 Veronica Damoulis  
 Raymond and Virginia Douglas  
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 Paul and Janice Jurmu  
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 Chester and Evelyn Rheault  
 Joann Stark

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 David Clapp

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 Bobbie Benson

**In memory of Raymond Wilbert Marttila**  
 Sarah Beeson  
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 Kana Greenawalt  
 Julie Gremaux  
 Erik and Erika Heinonen  
 Don Juntunen and Marie Kangas  
 Joanne Kimata  
 Robert Kolehmainen  
 David Lahnala  
 Thomas and Jennifer Lahnala  
 Beatrice Lahti  
 Mary Muraoka  
 Tom Murto  
 Pat Ovist  
 Joseph and Lisa Pyykkonen  
 Thomas and Sandra Evett  
 Mary Yrana

**In memory of Reino Tuominen**  
 David and Cynthia Allen

**In memory of Richard and Kathryn Sutinen**  
 Robert and Naina Howard

**In memory of Robert Hodges**  
 Bill and Jill Hodges  
 Christine Hodges  
 Marlene Houle  
 Keith and Mary Jenich  
 Marilyn Jukuri  
 Cheryl Kangas  
 Mark and Gale LaFond  
 Nancy Langley  
 Mary McKendrick  
 Jack and Ann Mendelin  
 Shirley Pickette  
 JT Reno  
 Barbara Scally  
 Kay Thomas

**In memory of Robert Sibilsky**  
 Duane and Diana Lyon  
 Jerry and Nancy Sullivan

**In memory of Ronald "Ron" P. Helman**  
 Lou Elynn Helman  
 Trish Mathe  
 Karen Reese

**In memory of Ruth Swift Campbell**  
 Cathy Buckmaster

**In memory of Shirley Sullivan**  
 Dennis and Kathleen Lewandowski

**In memory of Shirley V. Johnson**  
 William and Patricia Stark

**In memory of Sippo and Bernice Mikkola**  
 Gail Smith

**In memory of Stephen H. Sowka**  
 Bryan and Patti Milde  
 Joel Pitts

**In memory of Tessie Parks**  
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 Russ Kratowicz and Julie Badel  
 Mike and Cathy Aten  
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**In memory of Viola Hedin**  
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**In memory of Walt Tuomi**  
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**In memory of William and Joyce Penegor**  
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 Debra Tolonen

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 Angie Pellegrini  
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## One-Way Medical Trips



## Honoraria

**In honor of Abbey and Chris Green**  
 Fred and Janice Reese

**In honor of Aspirus Human Resources Department**  
 Chad and Rhonda Rowe

**In honor of Barbara Laurie**  
 Brenna Zavadsky

**In honor of Bruce and Beau**  
 Daniel and Janey Sargent

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 Bill and Barry Fink  
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 Bruce and Dawn King

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 Erin Minne and Stephen McMullin

**In honor of Charles T. Slusser Family**  
 Anonymous

**In honor of Connie Smith**  
 Maureen Ronquist

**In honor of Dr. Donald and Cydne Mitchell**  
 Anonymous

**In honor of Dr. Tom McConnon**  
 Fred and Janice Reese

**In honor of Eleanore Laurie**  
 Brenna Zavadsky

**In honor of Gail Hakola and Norm Tikkanen**  
 Pamela Johnston

**In honor of Irene Swetish**  
 Celia Gehm

**In honor of Janice Henkel**  
 Richard and JoAnn Dionne

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 Pete and Kim Hinzy  
 Suzanne Rich

**In honor of John Welch and Rosemary Grier**  
 Adeline Grier-Welch

**In honor of Larry Doyle**  
 Carrie Doyle

**In honor of Lora Purdy and family**  
 Tom Hindert and Pam Barnaby

**In honor of Michael Henly's Birthday**  
 Carole Patrikakos

**In honor of Mike Aten**  
 Calvin and Clelia Giles  
 Ronald Paavo

**In honor of Mike Aten's and Mike Henley's Birthdays**  
 Paul Goudreault and Katie Grier

**In honor of Noreen McCann**  
 Patricia Hogan

**In honor of Norm Tikkanen**  
 Pamela Johnston

**In honor of Patty Lins**  
 Paula Grasso

**In honor of Richard and JoAnn Dionne**  
 Janice Henkel

**In honor of Robert "Bob" Durocher**  
 Framed By Kathy

**In honor of Robert "Bob" Swanson**  
 Kenneth Riutta

**In honor of Ruth Canales**  
 Anonymous

**In honor of Sandra Hulsey**  
 Tanya Hulsey

**In honor of Thomas M. Braun**  
 Anonymous

We are grateful for your financial support. Your name is important to us. We regret and apologize for any omissions, misspellings, or errors. Please bring them to the attention of the Development Office for correction. 906-482-6944. This annual report reflects the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.



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LETTER FROM THE FOUNDATION DIRECTOR

I have always loved the mission of Little Brothers and have the fortune of being part of its grass roots beginnings, success, and growth through the years. Now, as Director of the Foundation, it is my privilege to be in a role that ensures Little Brothers will be here for years to come!

Since the creation of the local Little Brothers Foundation in 2014, we have continued to grow and are a constant source of income the chapter can rely on to provide their services. The more we grow, the more the chapter can too! We cannot thank our donors enough for your support and belief in the mission.

By remembering Little Brothers Foundation in your will or estate plan, you are helping to ensure that the mission of friendship and service to our elderly community will be here even after our lifetimes. What a special gift and commitment to make! I am so grateful for your support and excited for our future!

**Cathy Kass-Aten, Foundation Director**



FROM THE PRESIDENT

As my term as board president comes to an end, I am truly honored to have worked with such a caring organization. I want to thank all the wonderful employees, volunteers, and donors for their commitment to making our community better. I look forward to serving Little Brothers in other capacities in the future.

**Ted Simonsen, Foundation Board President**



NOTE FROM THE FOUNDER

I will always be so grateful to the Houghton County community for its support in 1982 when the first rural Little Brothers Chapter opened its doors in Upper Michigan.

With the help of many volunteers and donors our programs and services grew quickly from humble beginnings. In 1990, it became very obvious that we had to do something to help secure the Financial Future of the organization. We established an unofficial "Foundation Fund", created policies, and started to make regular payouts to the Chapter in 1995.

We officially incorporated in 2014 as "Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly, Upper Michigan Foundation". From those early days through today we have distributed \$1,435,294 to the Michigan Chapter which provides programs and services in five U.P. counties.

I am so grateful to the staff, donors, and volunteers who shared this vision of creating the Foundation. Having a local Little Brothers Foundation is key to the existence of the Little Brothers programs for generations to come.

**Mike Aten, Founder Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly Upper Michigan Chapter and former Foundation Director**



LITTLE BROTHERS - FRIENDS OF THE ELDERLY  
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Secure the Future of Little Brothers

Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly makes a lasting commitment to our Forever Friends. You can help us honor that commitment by naming Little Brothers in your will or estate plan.

Consider the best way to share with Little Brothers and make the most of your charitable dollars.

These options give you flexibility as you plan.

We encourage you to consult with your attorney or financial advisor regarding your intent.

Legal identification:

Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly Upper Michigan Foundation is a tax-exempt non-profit organization as described IRS 501 (c) (3).

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WAYS TO GIVE

Wills, Bequests, Trusts

Life Insurance

Endowed Funds

Retirement Planning including RMD

Life Estate

Appreciated Assets

**ENDOWED FUNDS**

Little Brothers Foundation includes three Endowed Funds which support specific programs the Chapter provides. Anyone can contribute to these funds which are invested in perpetuity and provide yearly income to the chapter to support the specific program.

***John and Cookie Johnson Needs Endowed Fund***



This Fund was established in 2015 in honor of John and Cookie Johnson, both longtime supporters of Little Brothers. Contributions to this endowed fund enable the Chapter to offer support services for Forever Friends who have

urgent, unique, or unexpected financial hardship. Without this fund, the Chapter would not have the resources to assist our Forever Friends in these situations. Past projects have included furnace repair, ramps, new appliances, and hearing aids.

***Wood Program Endowed Fund***

This fund was established in 2018 with a gift from John and Lynn Gierke, long time volunteers and supporters of the Firewood Program. John and Lynn want to ensure that our elderly friends in need will be provided with firewood for many years to come. Funds will help purchase logs and equipment needed for the Chapter’s Firewood program.



***Lola Yoder Expansion Fund***



This fund provides financial support to the Chapter for expansion of services in Upper Michigan. Lola Yoder was so impressed with the personalized services that Little Brothers provides and wanted to help expand those services throughout Upper Michigan. She

died at the age of 99 and left a gift through her estate to create this fund.

LITTLE BROTHERS - FRIENDS OF THE ELDERLY  
**UPPER MICHIGAN FOUNDATION**

Secure the Future of Little Brothers

**How are we different from the Chapter?**

The Chapter provides the programs and services. The Foundation invests to secure the Chapter's future.

The foundation accepts bequest and planned gift income which is invested to generate income and provide a regular source of income to the chapter including: 1% quarterly payouts from our main fund, 5% annual payouts from our Endowed Funds, and 30% payouts of all wills/bequests income each year. \$50,000 a year from wills and bequests goes directly to the chapter for general operating and any additional bequest income goes to build their reserve.



***Society of the Rose***

We are very grateful to those donors who have supported us through a major gift or remembered us in their Estate Plan.

Anonymous Donors (42)	Dr. Jack Jobst and Deborah Fedewa
Joan Antila	Dr. John Johnson
Virginia Brown	Bruce and Dawn King
Jane Casper	Barbara Laurie
Dr. Thomas and Donna Cole	Drs. Gil Lewis and Sue Bagley
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John and Lynn Gierke	Dawn and Tom Sneckenberg
Christopher and Abbey Green	Lindsay Tomasic
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Michael Henley and Randi Yoder	

***In remembrance of all donors who have passed away.***

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**FY 2023 Foundation Balances as of September 30, 2023**

<b>Main Foundation Fund</b>	<b>\$1,295,893</b>
<b>Endowed Funds</b>	
Johnson Needs Endowed Fund	83,511
Wood Program Endowed Fund	43,954
Lola Yoder Expansion Endowed Fund	19,047
<b>Total Endowed Funds</b>	<b>146,512</b>
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>1,442,405</b>
<b>Foundation Gifts to the Chapter</b>	
Payout to Chapter	\$53,890
Bequest payout to Chapter's reserve	73,058
Bequest payout to Chapter's operating	50,000
<b>Total Gifts to Chapter</b>	<b>\$176,948</b>

***Fiscal Year 2023 Endowed Fund Donors***

<b>Wood Program Fund</b>	Anonymous Drs. Gil Lewis and Susan Bagley Dr. Jack Jobst and Deborah Fedewa
<b>Lola Yoder Expansion Fund</b>	Anonymous Drs. Gil Lewis and Susan Bagley
<b>Johnson Needs Fund</b>	Anonymous Karen Bougnet Don and Terri Keski-Hynnila



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## PROGRAM GROWTH REQUIRES NEW MARQUETTE BRANCH OFFICE



Les Bek, Program Manager, outside the Washington Street entrance.

Since hosting our first Christmas meal in 2013, Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly (LBFE) has grown in Marquette and surrounding areas. In addition to hosting Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter dinner parties in Marquette, LBFE started to visit lonely older adults through our signature Friendly Visiting program in 2015.

While we started small, visiting just a handful of Forever Friends in the beginning and commuting from Hancock, LBFE in Marquette has grown steadily over the past ten years. The original office opened in 2017 when we hired our first program manager.

This past year alone the number of Forever Friends we visit increased by 12% from the previous year. There was also an astounding 43% increase in visiting volunteers in the past year. Visiting volunteers make a commitment to visit a Forever Friend at least twice a month to foster friendship.

Growth in programming required a larger and more functional office. LBFE moved to a new office downtown that offers more visibility in the community and more space to host volunteers,

donors, and friends. The new space features a private office area and a mini 'great room' to host small group events.

The Marquette branch office is led by Program Manager, Leslie Bek and Program Coordinator, Danielle Berg. They welcome you to visit anytime to learn more about the good things happening in Marquette County. The office is located mid-level at 131 W. Washington Street.



Danielle Berg, Program Coordinator