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Dear Friends of the *Daily Living Centers*,

What an unprecedented, life saving year it has been for *The Daily Living Centers' Adult Day Health Care Program!* Just listen to what our clients have to say:

"I am so very thankful that I have a place to leave my mom while I continue to work as long as I can and for the peace of mind knowing she is being taken care of and having a hot meal. Thank You, Thank You, Thank You." – Merle

"You are my life saver. The Daily Living Center is worth every penny I spend here." – Edith's Husband James

And the stories of those in need are our reason for existence:

Jane needed our assistance because of health problems. However, when she arrived she refused to take off her coat. After the nurse investigated, she found a hot plate. Jane said, "It's the only way I can stay warm. We cannot afford to heat the house." The *Daily Living Centers'* case management program worked diligently and was able to resolve the heat issue for Jane, who was soon both warm and happy at the Daily Living Center and at home.

Bob at the age of 50 developed Alzheimer's disease. He could not be left alone but his wife needed to work to support the family. After weeks of stress and anxiety, she discovered the *Daily Living Center*. Our Social Services Staff arranged for transportation to and from the Center. Bob's wife was able to continue to support the family without the worry of Bob's safety and security.

Please know that these are just a few of the many lives the *Daily Living Centers* touch each day. Presently we serve approximately 135 individual participants each day Monday through Friday. Our weekend program is serving between 30 and 40 individual participants - each treated with the respect and dignity that they deserve. They have given us a legacy of accomplishment and growth that is the basis of our society's activities and progress. Many have held high office and have been instrumental in local, state and national efforts. It has been a pleasure this year, as in the past, to serve these deserving individual participants.

Of course, our true clients are those who have assumed the difficult and consuming role of caregiver. These caregivers are the heroes of our time. They have little or no previous experience to guide them. Our society is presently in the dilemma of finding ways to support the frail elderly and handicapped individuals and their caregivers. We expect Adult Day Health Care will increasingly be asked to help support caregivers by helping them care for their frail or handicapped loved ones.

In 2005, the Daily Living Centers provided \$460,000 in free services. We refuse to turn anyone away because of lack of ability to pay. Many family caregivers are caught in a position that they never imagined would happen. They are caring for children and grandparents or parents and their resources are spread very thin. They must continue to work but the frail elderly or handicapped cannot be left alone. They have a real dilemma and the **Daily Living Centers** will be there to help.

With the ever-increasing need for adult day care, the **Daily Living Centers** is pursuing the development and construction of a **permanent new home** – a facility that will continue to serve the frail and handicapped of our community in their time of need, all the while allowing them to remain in the home and not in an institutional setting.

That is why we are asking for your help and financial support this year for the construction of a new facility. With your contribution, the **Daily Living Centers** can continue to serve all caregivers needing our help. **Please help our deserving seniors in our community stay in their homes and have a much higher quality of life for their final years by making your tax deductible CONTRIBUTION to the Daily Living Centers.**

Thank you for your continued help and support.

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