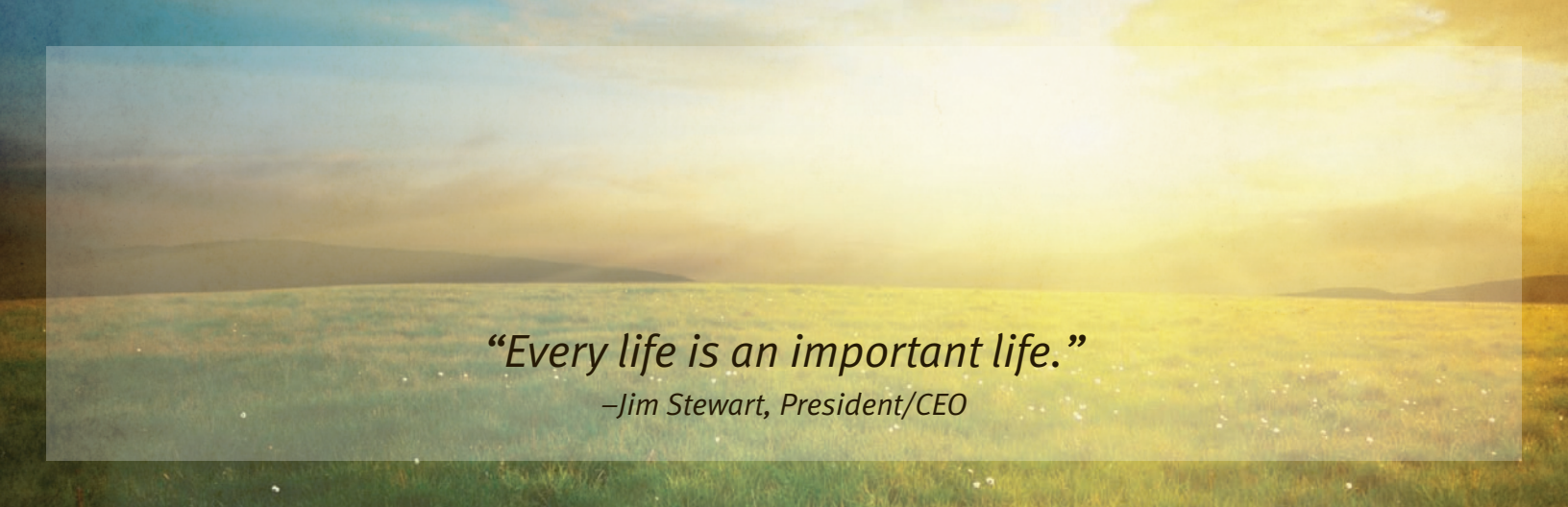




WISCONSIN

Annual Report Summary 2011

A wide-angle photograph of a vast, flat landscape under a dramatic, golden sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong glow and long shadows. The foreground is a field of green grass with small white flowers. The sky transitions from a pale blue on the left to a bright yellow and orange on the right.

“Every life is an important life.”

–Jim Stewart, President/CEO

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*“I work. I feel empowered.
I’m able to be a productive part of society.” –Resident*

Dear Friends:

Looking back at our fiscal year 2011 that ended on June 30th, we are happy to report that Volunteers of America of Wisconsin has had many successes. We continue to be extremely proud of the level of care we provide the frail elderly, disabled and mentally ill. We do, however, face challenges.

In February 2011 funding cuts in our programs for the poor, elderly, disabled and mentally ill had a direct impact on our organization. Thus far we have been able to continue to provide our clients – who are our number-one priority – high-quality services. Thanks to dedicated staff and generous donors, we were able to provide housing and services to more than 70 people in our group homes and more than 150 individuals and their families in our affordable housing units.

However, the rate cuts have meant fewer dollars for our facilities themselves. We delay non-emergency home repairs and furniture replacement. Additionally, the people who are referred to us for care are increasingly more medically fragile and require higher-cost care with shrinking government dollars. These are individuals who in the past would have been cared for in nursing homes or other institutions.

Despite these tough times, Volunteers of America of Wisconsin remains dedicated to serving those in need and has developed a reputation for serving individuals with difficult and complex physical and mental health conditions.

Recognizing that Volunteers of America is uniquely qualified to care for adults with complex mental health conditions and behavioral concerns, the Major League Baseball Players Trust awarded us a \$50,000 grant to help purchase an additional home dedicated to this type of care. The home has been purchased and will be ready in early 2012 for its first resident. We are pleased to be able to provide these residents the comfort and advantages of a single-family home, as they would otherwise likely be in an institutionalized environment.

We want to thank each of you for your support this past year. Your donations are used carefully to fill the gaps in government funding and provide the extra equipment and supplies for our residents to live in a safe home with dignity and respect.

To stay in touch and follow the stories of our residents please visit our new website, www.voawi.org. There you may also sign up to receive our quarterly e-newsletter, or e-mail your request to info@voawi.org. If you are on Facebook, ‘Like’ us at www.facebook.com/voawi and follow what’s happening in our homes and issues affecting our clients.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Stewart".

JIM STEWART
President/CEO

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Margie".

MARGIE BRUSA
Board Chair

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION



REVENUE

■	Government Sources \$2,570,182
■	Public Support \$40,253
■	Program Fees \$362,082
■	Grants \$87,841
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	Total Revenue \$3,060,358



EXPENSES

■	Programmatic \$2,666,502
■	Management \$386,235
■	Fundraising \$83,998
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	Total Expenses \$3,136,734



NOTABLE STORIES FROM 2011

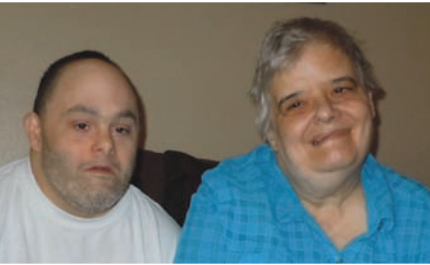
As a pet therapy team, Craig and his dog, a Samoyed named Lucca, visit residents at Marion House and Armour House. Residents feed, pet and observe Lucca, who provides them with unconditional love.



In fall 2010, Jimmy, who had been in an institution most of his life due to complex developmental and behavioral issues, moved into one of our apartments to receive around-the-clock care provided by our staff. Jimmy has made great progress and has been able to engage in community activities. He will be the first resident in a new single-family home purchased for clients through generous support from the Major League Baseball Players Trust.



Thanks to program manager Megan and his caregiver Virginia, Jeff, a Booth House resident, was able to attend his sister's wedding in Illinois. Jeff thanked Virginia several times for accompanying him, but what she will remember most about this special day is his beaming smile and seeing him hold his head high as he walked his sister down the aisle.



For the last 30 years, Connie has been a much-loved resident of Edwards House in Kenosha, a group home for adults with developmental disabilities. During this time, she's also worked at Kenosha Achievement Center doing a job she loves. We celebrate Connie's life with us – the way she gets along with her housemates, keeps us all on time, encourages other residents and congratulates them on their accomplishments.



Thanks to an endowment award from the national office, we welcomed Gene as our ministry and outreach coordinator in November. Gene serves the needs of our residents and staff who benefit from the spiritual care of his visits.

"I have a home to come to where I didn't have a home before." –Resident

“A major focus for our next fiscal year is going to be to invite as many new individuals, corporations, foundations and others who do not know about us into our homes. We are fully convinced that once they do that, they are going to want to get involved.” –Jim Stewart, President/CEO

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\$1,000-\$5,000

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Our 4th annual “Spirit of Volunteers of America” Fall Benefit on October 13 at the Milwaukee Public Market raised over \$12,000 to support our programs that serve Wisconsin’s frail elderly, developmentally and physically disabled and mentally ill. Thanks to all of the sponsors, in-kind donors and more than 150 guests.

GIVE-A-GIFT WISH LIST

Your gifts – large or small – make a huge difference in the lives of our residents

\$15	Dinner out for one resident	\$100	Fish fry for all the residents of Marion House
\$20	New bath towel set for a resident	\$500	New computer for one of our programs
\$25	Much-needed new clothing for a resident not covered by Family Care	\$1,000	New bedroom furniture for one resident room
\$40	New twin sheet set for a resident	\$2,000	New living room furniture for Summit House residents
\$50	One ride via specialized medical transportation to the doctor for a resident	\$7,000	New roof for Booth House