Alpha-Omega

MIRACLE HOME **SINCE 1997** 

# 2023 Alpha-Omega is more than a place to stay, it's a safe place to start. **ANNUAL REPORT**





### Dear Friends,

For over 23 years, Alpha-Omega Miracle Home (AOMH) has served the most vulnerable in our community. Our mission is to demonstrate God's love in providing housing, comprehensive support and accountability to young mothers, their children, and senior women facing homelessness.

This has been a big year for Alpha-Omega Miracle Home. We broke ground on a new campus that when complete will triple our G.R.O.W Program housing capacity and double the amount of affordable housing units we can offer. The horizontal infrastructure work of Phase One is set to be completed by January 2024. Our hope is that we will be able to begin building our first set of apartments in the fourth quarter of 2024.

Meanwhile, we have seen some amazing women graduate from our program with degrees in hand and careers on the horizon. We have seen our senior community thrive as they have connected with one another and formed sweet bonds with the young moms and children. We have seen moms lay hold of the truth about their identity in Christ, thriving in parenting, faith, and education. We have truly seen miracles!

Your partnership is a testament to your belief in our mission and willingness to support Alpha-Omega and our residents into the future. Your generosity and kindness are the reason AOMH continues to provide generational life change to those who desperately need it.

We are excited to see the continued impact of our community on our mission. Thank you for leaving your mark on the women and children we serve.

Lisa Franklin CEO and Founder

Lisa Frankli



## **AOMH FINANCIAL AND HISTORICAL DATA**

We are proud to say, 82 cents of every dollar donated to AOMH is being spent towards our residents' housing and programs. Our organization keeps a strong focus on excellence and measurable outcomes.







### **Alpha-Omega Miracle Home**

2023 Revenue

"For I know the plans I have for you" declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" Jeremiah 29:11

# **MEETING THE NEEDS** 2023 AOMH STATISTICS















ALPHA-OMEGA COMMUNITY DIAPER BANK Founded in 2007 to broadly increase care for homeless and low-income families. Many parents have to choose between buying food or diapers. Alpha-Omega's Community Diaper Bank provides free diapers, formula, baby food and other needed items for families experiencing economic need.







**ALPHA-OMEGA THRIFT STORE** 

Established in 2010, the Thrift Store's proceeds help fund our G.R.O.W. Housing Program. Much of the furnishings, clothing, and household goods for our campus are also provided through the Thrift Store. AOMH also gives vouchers to community members in need of basic necessities as well as provides low cost goods to the larger community.

# WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS



Shearwater Juliette Girl Scout Co-op



Bartram High School D.E.C.A.



St. Augustine Higł School's Project Voltage group



Marsh Creek Womens Association



Northside Christian Academy-South Carolina



Anastasia Baptist Church Life Group

Child care, administrative work, maintenance on campus, providing transportation for residents (in AOMH vehicles), and teaching a life skills class are just some of the many ways volunteers invest in our mission.

> To volunteer, SCAN QR or contact Twanna Swift 904-823-8588



# **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROGRESS Current Phase - Residential Housing**

Ground work began for our new Alpha-Omega Miracle Home Campus that will provide 8 two-bedroom apartments and 12 three-bedroom apartments for a total of 20 new homes that can shelter up to 92 mothers, children, or seniors.





## **Campaign Contact Information Nancy Kelley** Chief Development Officer 904-982-4225 • Nancy@aomh.org

**Twanna Swift** Capital Campaign Manager 904-923-7923 • Twanna@aomh.org





## **DEBORAH'S STORY**

When I found Alpha-Omega, I had nowhere else to go. It was my refuge. They provided everything that I needed. My physical, spiritual, and emotional needs were all met. Alpha-Omega is truly love in action. Now, I am blessed to give back in any way I am able. Even the sound of a baby crying in the next room is the sound of life to me. The love and hugs of a one-year-old are a daily gift I am fortunate to receive. Alpha-Omega has been an answer to prayer and an opportunity for me not only to receive but also to grow and give.

### **KATIE'S STORY**

Before I cried out to Jesus, my life was marked by numerous addictions. I was like a robot surviving each day by numbing deep wounds. After I got clean, the Lord brought my daughter and me to Alpha-Omega Miracle Home.

At Alpha-Omega, it was the first time I experienced someone wanting to know me without wanting something in return. I am loved and cared for. I had to yield all the way, however, and receive what was being poured into me, even when I didn't like it. There were times that I wanted to leave. But what I was being given was exactly what I needed. Without Alpha-Omega, I would not have a relationship with my daughter. I get to see her dance and laugh and be happy. Right now, I am getting my GED, I have a job, and I'm saving for a car. I also know in the deepest places that I am loved and forgiven. I have been given an opportunity to thrive in the here and now along with the promise of heaven. I am so thankful for the love, time, and sacrifice of the staff at Alpha-Omega. It has made a world of difference.

### **RACHEL'S STORY**

I found myself pregnant my sophomore year of high school. I lived next door to Lisa Franklin and was best friends with her daughter. I knew about Alpha-Omega but never thought I'd need their help. I had secretly planned to get an abortion but that same day my mom took me to Lisa's house to pray instead.

At 8 months pregnant, I still didn't know what I was going to do until God spoke through a quote on TV. "Loving someone doesn't mean you want to be with them no matter what, loving someone means you want what's best for someone no matter what." I knew at that moment that I was to give the gift of adoption.

Alpha-Omega was able to coordinate all the details. I was able to meet my son's adoptive parents before he was born. They named my son, Phillip, after his adoptive dad.

When I signed the papers releasing him, I asked God one more thing..."Please bring him back to me one day."

In God's faithfulness, when Phillip was 15, the age I was when I had him, he reached out. I met Philip with his parents. I now have a relationship with him. He spends Thanksgiving with me and we are in touch.

Looking back, I had such peace. I didn't feel like I was losing my son, I felt like I was growing my family. This was all possible because God is good and because of the amazing support of family, friends, my church community and especially Lisa and Alpha-Omega Miracle Home.

## **RESIDENT STORIES**



## **ADOPTION STORY**





# **OUR LEADERSHIP**

### **Executive Staff**

Lisa Franklin, Founder/CEO Sara Vanik, Chief Operations Officer Nancy Kelley, Chief Development Officer

### **Board of Directors**

Bobby Crum, President - Worship & Teaching Pastor , Anastasia Church Greg Watts, Vice President - Retired COO/CFO, The Sulzbacher Center Chris Lawson, Treasurer - Owner/President, Optimus Advisors, LLC Carrie Mickler, Secretary - Branch Manager, SouthState Bank Gregory S. Beaver, Board Member - Director, St. Johns County Sheriff's Office John Ruggeri, Board Member - Owner, Ruggeri Construction Tiffany Cowie, Board Member - Director, St. Johns River Water Management District Ekee Ehrlich, ESQ, Board Member - Attorney, E3 Law PA Tony Lee, DMD, Board Member - Owner, Total Dental Care John Ginn - Co-founder, Ginn & Patrou, P.A.

### **Advisory Board**

Lisa Payne, Vice President, Ameris Bank Connie Carroll, Retired Business Owner, Accounting Firm Clay Murphy, Owner, Sonny's BBQ Chris Shee, President, MasterCraft Builders, Inc. Terry Hicks, Owners, Best Agent, LLC



<u>Contact Information</u> 2860 Collins Ave., St. Augustine, FL 32084 Phone (904) 823-8588 • www.aomh.org • Email info@aomh.org

# **2023 EVENT SPONSORS**

GINN ⊄PATRO









FENDER



FORMAT

Agency





**I) OWEN** 

• MASTERCRAFT •





**First Coast** 

Elevator



