



The Arc

Ocean County Chapter

Annual Appeal 2024

To Our Valued Supporter,

December 3, 2024

Arthur and Billy aren't just roommates—they're brothers at heart. For over two decades, they've shared a home at The Arc of Ocean County, celebrating holidays, going on double dates, and enjoying their favorite pastimes together. Now at 72 and 73 years old, they proudly support each other's independence and say, "We will live together forever."

This simple but powerful wish—to live in a home filled with love, support, and lifelong friendships—is at the heart of everything we do at The Arc. As our residents age, their needs grow and evolve. That's why we're building a **new state-of-the-art group home** in 2025 to ensure that seniors with disabilities like Arthur and Billy can age in place with dignity, comfort, and independence. This home will offer the accessibility, smart technology, and medical support our residents need—while maintaining the familiar faces and comforts that make a house truly feel like home.

We can't do it without you. Your generous gift to our Annual Appeal will help make this vital project a reality, ensuring that residents like Arthur and Billy can continue to thrive as they age.

Donna's Story: A Life Full of Color and Joy

Donna has been part of The Arc family for 23 years, and her vibrant personality shines wherever she goes. Whether she's on a shopping trip, enjoying a coffee and chocolate donut, or reminiscing about her favorite Elvis tunes, Donna's zest for life is infectious.

Arthur



Billy



Donna



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Today, Donna enjoys a semi-retired lifestyle at Pier 3, one of The Arc's current group homes for medically fragile residents. With on-site LPN staff to meet ongoing medical needs, she receives the care and support she needs to stay active, happy, and fulfilled.

Like Donna, all 170 of our residents dream of staying in a place they can call home as they grow older. Our new group home will ensure that dream is realized—with

features like **zero-step entry, wider doorways, larger living spaces, and cutting-edge smart technology** designed to foster independence and dignity.



Frank's Story: Finding Joy at Home

Frank, a resident at The Arc since 1991, knows that home is where the heart is. Whether he's listening to music in his favorite recliner, soaking up the sun on the deck, or enjoying his yearly trips to Wildwood for tram rides and ice cream, Frank finds peace and joy in a life supported by The Arc's compassionate staff.

Frank, Donna, Arthur, and Billy—and all of our residents—dream of staying home at The Arc of Ocean County as they age. With your support, we can turn their dreams into reality.

Help Us Build Their Future

Your thoughtful gift will directly support the construction of this new home and help us provide lifelong care for residents with disabilities. This **state-of-the-art, accessible, and smart group home** will be a haven for aging in place, ensuring residents like Donna, Arthur, Billy, and Frank can continue living their best lives.

Here's how you can give:

- **Scan the QR code** or visit www.arcocean.org to donate securely online
- **Mail your contribution** to:

The Arc, Ocean County Chapter, 393 Mantoloking Road, Brick, NJ 08723

Your generosity today ensures a brighter future for our residents. Together, we can provide a place that feels like home for decades to come.

From all of us at The Arc, we wish you and your family a joyful holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

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