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Dear Friend of Charlie's,

The men at Charlie's ¾ House experienced another banner year. We continue to provide a safe and sober living environment for over 200 men throughout the course of the year. Each man is afforded the tools to rejoin society as a productive citizen. Twelve step meetings are held on-site daily. Employment counseling, resume writing and other job seeking skills training are also provided. Actual employment opportunities are available through an arrangement with a temporary labor service.

Remarkable progress has been achieved in our ongoing renovation of the living units. As quickly as we finish one, we begin another. Our occupancy was increased to 55. We painted the outside of the building, purchased an adjoining property and poured a pad and ramp for the dumpster. A new drainage system was installed behind the building to better divert the flow of water. Perhaps most importantly we took steps to better secure our financial future.

The Board recently had the privilege of adding Dave Logan as a trustee beginning in 2014. He is the Director of Prospect House and is well known throughout the recovery community. His wealth of knowledge and experience will be a welcome addition.

In many ways the most exciting news of all is the dramatically increased role of Charlie's Alumni. They have become involved in numerous functions and were responsible for the production of CharliePalooza, a day of music, food and fellowship. It was an incredible success attended by hundreds in Devou Park.

We work hard to aid in the recovery of our men. A recent letter from the parents of a successfully transitioned former resident reminded us why we do it. They expressed their gratitude to have their son back, stating "not the old (son) but the new, happy, confident and grateful person" they always wanted.

Each of the resident programs mentioned in this update serve in their own way to further the progress of each resident towards a successful transition back into their community. Each program has in common the fact that each would not exist without your generous contributions. We cannot express the depth our gratitude to each of you who have helped to make these programs possible and ask for your help to support them in the future.

We remain 100% privately funded, so please contribute generously to our efforts. On behalf of the residents and Board of Trustees of Charlie's ¾ House, thank you and have a joyous holiday season.

Very truly yours,

The Board Of Trustees,  
Charlie's ¾ House, Inc.