

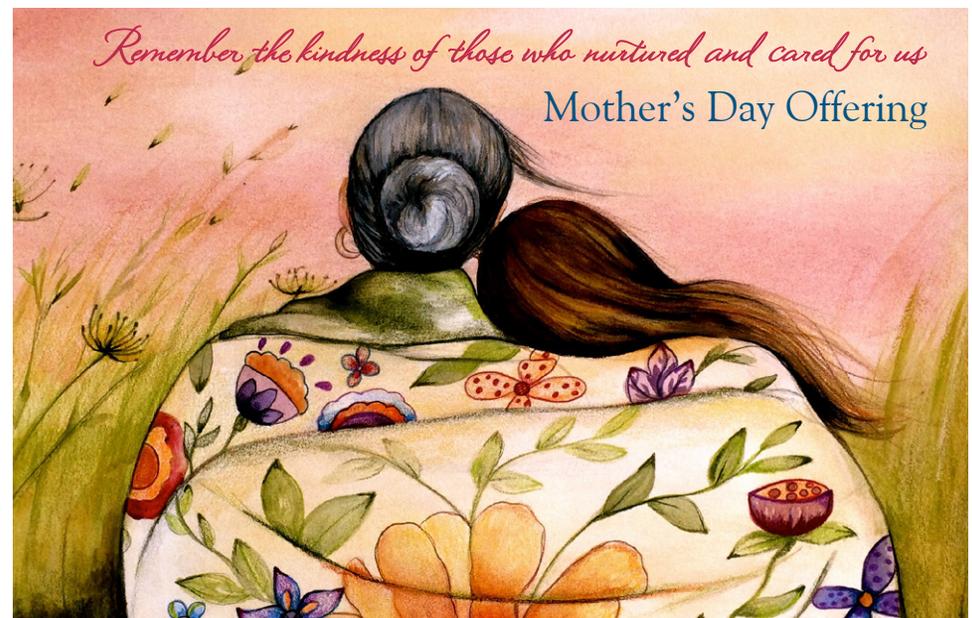
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Our mission has always been to serve seniors of all economic levels and backgrounds. Givens cares for many special people like the ones who have cared for and nurtured us during different times of our lives. They might be mothers, fathers, grandparents, teachers, aunts, uncles, neighbors, friends, pastors, mentors, and coaches. They come from all walks of life, and they are the fabric of our communities. Through our four residential campuses, we now provide safe housing for more than 1,450 seniors.

This commitment to walk alongside our residents has steadily grown over the last four decades, but the charitable support of this mission has not kept pace with the need.

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Make checks payable to your church. Your church will consolidate the gifts and send them to Givens.

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Givens Communities At-a-Glance

- 4 campuses: **Life Plan Communities** - Givens Estates (south Asheville), Givens Highland Farms (Black Mountain); **Affordable Communities** - Givens Gerber Park (south Asheville), Givens Great Laurels (Waynesville)
- Serving 1,450 residents
- Nearly 400 Givens residents benefit from its mission to provide affordable housing and financial assistance for those facing a crisis. Givens truly is committed to serving seniors at all income levels.
 - 28% of Givens Residences (320) are Affordable, for annual incomes of \$35,000 and less
 - 34% of Givens Residences (381) are Middle-Income, for annual incomes between \$25,000 and \$55,000
 - 38% of Givens Residences (431) are Market Rate, for annual incomes greater than \$55,000
- Givens commitment to affordable residences for those in need has quadrupled since the first apartments were constructed on the Givens Estates campus in in 1979
- Through Givens LifeMinistries and outreach partnerships over 6,000 people are impacted each year

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