



**RIVERSIDE
FOUNDATION**
WOMEN'S BOARD

Enriching Lives Fostering Independence Building Community

2025 / 2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Looking forward to an exciting lineup of events, bringing families, friends, and community members together:

July 4	Lincolnshire Parade & Picnic
August 16	2nd Annual Friends & Family Picnic
September 29	29th Annual Golf Outing
October 19	4th Annual Riverside 5K
December 2	Day of Giving
December 11	Holiday House Walk
April 18, 2026	50th Anniversary Gala: Hearts of Gold – A Night at the Oscars

A Season of Growth, Celebration & Community
At Riverside Foundation, every season brings fresh stories of compassion, progress, and connection. From new beginnings in Grayslake to generous acts of service from our volunteers, this quarter has been a vibrant reminder of how our community continues to thrive—together.



IDOT Grant: New Vehicles, Greater Independence

We are proud to share that Riverside Foundation received three brand-new vehicles through an Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) grant:

Two light-duty buses (each holding 14 passengers or up to 4 wheelchairs)

One handicap-accessible minivan (accommodates 6 passengers or 2 wheelchairs)

These additions will greatly enhance our transportation capabilities, helping residents access community events, appointments, and work opportunities with greater ease. A fourth vehicle—another accessible minivan—is expected soon. This \$365,000 grant is a vital investment in accessibility and independence.



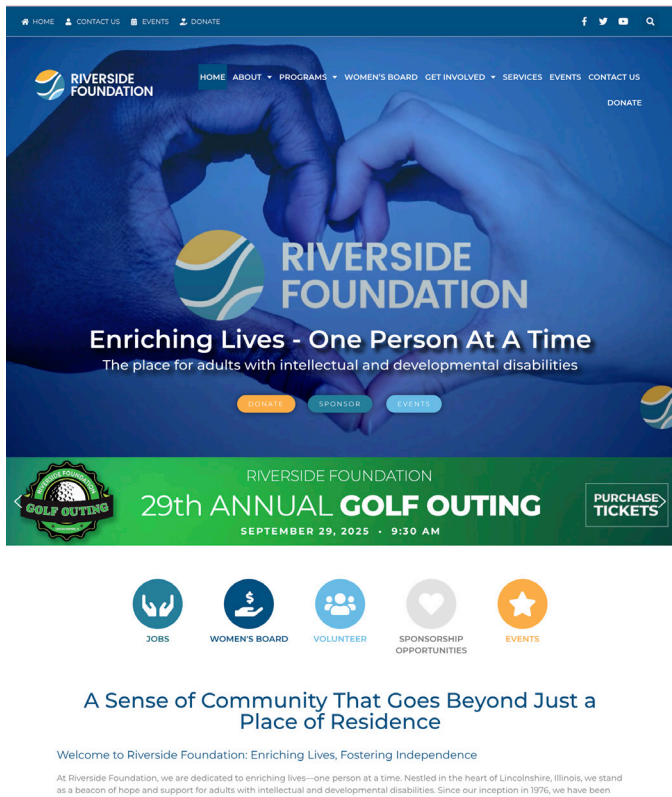
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Illinois Department
of Transportation

WEBSITE UTILIZATION

Explore. Engage. Stay Connected.



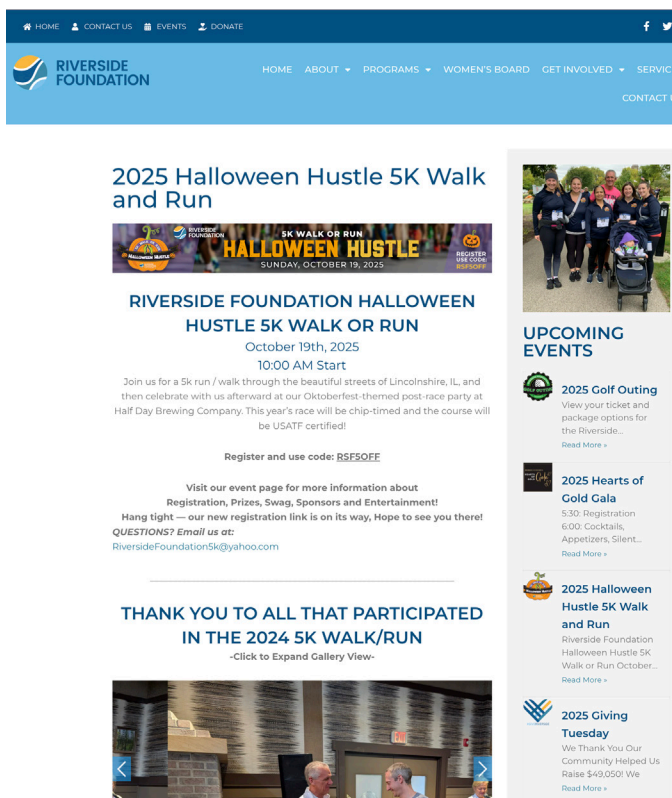
The Women's Board is proud to share the continued success of Riverside Foundation's enhanced website, a central hub created with our community in mind.

Designed for easy navigation and quick access, the site offers key information—upcoming events, important dates, news, and more—all in one convenient place. With a focus on efficiency and sustainability, it also reduces the need for printed materials and mailings.

New tools make it easier than ever to purchase event tickets and make donations online, streamlining how you support Riverside and take part in our events.

The website will continue to grow with new features and resources to connect, inform, and engage our community. Whether you're a family member, volunteer, donor, or friend, we invite you to visit often and explore all it has to offer.

By embracing this digital platform, we're staying connected—and advancing our mission in a more sustainable, cost-effective way.



2025 HEARTS OF GOLD GALA

THE BIRCHSTONE



DAZZLING EVENING
RAISED AN INCREDIBLE
\$187,000
TO SUPPORT
RIVERSIDE'S MISSION.









FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

If you're curious about how to get involved with the Riverside Foundation or the Women's Board, you're in the right place. Whether you're looking to attend events, become a sponsor, or make a difference through donations or volunteering, we've got all the answers for you.

WHO FOUNDED THE RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION?

Pete Mulé, the original Executive Director, converted an existing nursing home into the first of its kind Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities (ICF/DD) in July of 1976.

WHAT IS THE MISSION AND FOCUS OF THE RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION?

- Creating a caring and respectful home
- Developing independent living skills
- Providing nursing support and therapies
- Providing educational, developmental, and recreational activities
- Developing interpersonal and social skills
- Encouraging participants in work activities

HOW CAN I STAY UPDATED ON
RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION NEWS AND EVENTS?
riversidefoundation.net

HOW CAN I PURCHASE TICKETS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS?
riversidefoundation.net/upcoming-events

OUTSIDE OF THE WOMEN'S BOARD, ARE THERE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION?

YES! Interested people can reach out to Marie Steen, Residential Services Director at marie@riversidefoundation.net or Sweta Pandya, Director of Social Services at sweta@riversidefoundation.net

HOW CAN I MAKE A DONATION
TO THE RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION?
riversidefoundation.net/donate

Donate to
Riverside Foundation ●

\$200
USD

Use this donation for
Fundraising Campaign ▼

☐ Make this a monthly donation

[Donate with PayPal](#)

[Donate with Debit or Credit Card](#)

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT:



ZEBRA

ZEBRA TECHNOLOGIES

This May, 25 amazing volunteers from Zebra Technologies rolled up their sleeves and helped beautify our ICF campus. They cleared storm debris, weeded flower beds, and refreshed mulch—bringing both care and energy to our grounds. We are deeply grateful for their time, spirit, and support.



NEW CILA HOMES OPENING SOON!

**IN THE NEXT 60 DAYS, TWO NEW CILA HOMES WILL
WELCOME RESIDENTS IN GRAYSLAKE:**

- One home will support four women
- The other will welcome five men

These residences reflect our continued commitment to providing safe, supportive, and independent living environments. Stay tuned for housewarming updates and photos as we open the doors to these new beginnings.

EASTER JOY ACROSS CAMPUS

Spring came alive with colorful celebrations during Easter weekend! From egg hunts and crafts to Good Friday reflections, our community gathered in joy and togetherness. Special thanks to all staff and volunteers who made these moments possible.

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Upcoming Gala

50TH ANNIVERSARY - NIGHT AT THE OSCARS!

Mark your calendars!

**LIGHTS,
CAMERA,
ACTION!**

APRIL 18th!

**RED CARPET ARRIVAL, COCKTAIL HOUR,
ELEGANT DINNER, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT...and more!**

MARRIOTT LINCOLNSHIRE

5:30 REGISTRATION

6:30 COCKTAILS



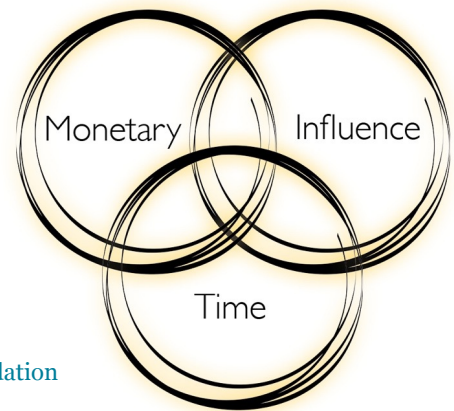
Get ready to roll out the red carpet for an unforgettable evening of elegance and celebration as we honor 50 years of enriching lives and fostering independence for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, this star-studded evening will not disappoint!

Sponsorship Opportunities

We're proud to introduce our new "Circle of Sponsorship" levels! Contact us for more information or if you know of a potential donor.

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Sponsorship levels



starting at
\$500



starting at
\$1,250



starting at
\$2,500



starting at
\$5,000



starting at
\$10,000 +

MID-YEAR REFLECTIONS



As we reach the midpoint of 2025, we want to recognize the incredible leadership behind Riverside Foundation. Our progress is made possible by the commitment and collaboration of our Board of Directors and Executive Staff.

The Board plays a key role in guiding our mission, providing strategic oversight, and promoting our vision throughout the community. These dedicated volunteers help shape Riverside's future by supporting planning, governance, and leadership decisions.

If you're passionate about our mission and interested in Board service, we invite you to connect with our Executive Director to learn more. Thank you for your continued support as we work toward a meaningful 2025.



Peggy Gaier
Board of Directors
President

FROM THE RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION BOARD:

On behalf of the Riverside Foundation Board of Directors, we want to express our sincere gratitude to the community for your ongoing support. Your involvement—whether through advocacy, donations, or simply spreading the word—helps us provide quality services to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

We also thank our dedicated Board members and staff for their leadership and commitment to our mission. Together, we are creating a brighter, more inclusive future.

Thank you for being a vital part of our success.

*The Board of Directors
Riverside Foundation*



Beth Ann Fell
Women's Board
President

FROM THE RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION WOMEN'S BOARD:

On behalf of the Riverside Foundation Women's Board, we would like to extend our deepest thanks to the community for your incredible support. Through your generosity and involvement, we are able to raise the funds that make a real difference in the lives of adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Whether you've volunteered your time, attended our events, or contributed in other meaningful ways, your commitment helps us continue our mission of providing high-quality services to those in need.

We are proud to be part of such a compassionate and engaged community and look forward to all we can achieve together in the future.

*The Women's Board
Riverside Foundation*

RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION WOMEN'S BOARD President: Beth Ann Fell | Vice President: Pamela Brown | Treasurer: Rande McMillan | Secretary: Eliisa Capstick

2024-2025 Active Board Members: Jennifer Brown, Natalie Chavez, Regina DiTomassi, Alessandra Domanico, Peggy Gaier, Cara Gallagher, Amanda Kleinwachter, Teresa Marti, Barbara Mastandrea, Veronica Pantelis, Sherry Ralston, Sandy Saltiel, Kristen Santiago, Ana Soonthornsima, Marrieann Tegeler

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