

A Message from the Executive Director



LeePatke, Executive Director

Dear Friends and Supporters of Greccio Housing:

We all know Colorado Springs to be a region filled with natural beauty, opportunity, and a sense of community. Many of us, however, experience life in the Colorado Springs area differently. Greccio was founded to bring greater opportunity to those with the least resources and the most challenges, through stable, safe, and affordable housing.

Each of us play a role in the mission that started 27 years ago by our founder, Claudia Deats-Rogers, and many committed volunteers and donors. Claudia knew then what we know now; that every person we serve matters, every effort matters, and the mission is worth the fight.

Today, we are not challenged with where to house the first resident at risk of being homeless, or how to ask for the first donation to advance our cause. Today, our task is to better serve those already in our buildings, to find the next ‘right’ building to acquire and renovate (or to build), to advocate for and prepare to serve special populations, and to ensure opportunities for thousands of future residents through sound business practices.

Evidence of our success can be seen in the eyes of children who now have a new playground, and the parents who can depend on a safe and cared-for recreation area. Success is found in the full tummies of those children who had adequate food provided by our summer nutrition program. Success can be found in the hallways of buildings newly acquired by Greccio that are now warm, safe, monitored, and well-maintained. Success can be found in the security of an apartment that represents ‘home’ instead of the uncertainty and danger of the street.

Successes are happening every day at Greccio Housing. They are happening because of your support, and they are happening for the benefit of individuals, families, children, and indeed, our community.

We look forward to joining with you and others as many new opportunities are on the horizon, by the work of our team, the generosity of faithful donors, and for the benefit of our community, one person and one family at a time.

With much gratitude for your support,

Lee Patke
Executive Director

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