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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

Welcome to the August edition of Sharing The Journey! As I reflect on this past month, I am filled with gratitude for the extraordinary energy, heart, and dedication that define our Living Resources community. Every story in this issue captures the essence of who we are and highlights our core agency values in action.

Our Fifth Annual Tribute to Transforming Lives at the Saratoga Race Course demonstrated the strength of collaboration as we co-hosted a memorable afternoon alongside Building On Love. We saw empowerment firsthand as 10 new freshmen moved in to launch their journey with The College Experience Program at Russell Sage College, taking bold steps toward independence and personal growth. The spirit of kindness radiated through our wonderful volunteers, whether they were packing chicken dinners at Fogg's Automotive's Brooks BBQ fundraiser or painting and revitalizing one of our residential homes with The Bonadio Group. Finally, we celebrated inclusivity through the creative talents of our artists at the "888 Unbound" gallery show, creating a space where every unique voice is honored and shared.

Thank you to our dedicated team, volunteers, corporate partners, and supporters who make this work possible. Together, we continue to build a warm, vibrant, and inclusive community.

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# HIGH STYLE & HEART: THE FIFTH ANNUAL TRIBUTE TO TRANSFORMING LIVES

Fashion, thrilling horse racing, and community support came together at the Saratoga Race Course for the Fifth Annual Tribute to Transforming Lives! Held at the elegant 1863 Club, guests gathered for a memorable day dedicated to making a lasting impact in the Capital Region.

While a brief rain delay tested our patience, it couldn't dampen the energy or enthusiasm of our amazing community. The day was filled with delicious food, stunning runway looks presented by Saratoga Trunk Lady's Finery, and exciting trackside action, all benefitting two vital organizations: Living Resources and Building On Love.

## A Tribute of Love and Dedication

One of the most poignant moments of the day came during the Race 7, which was dedicated by their sister Barbara Bouchey in loving memory of her brothers Danny (RIP) and Brian, who is proudly supported by Living Resources. It was a beautiful tribute celebrating family, community, and the transformative power of compassionate care.

## Bidding with Purpose

Guests engaged in friendly competition throughout the afternoon during our exciting live auction and carefully curated silent auction. From unique experiences to fine merchandise, every bid placed helped raise critical funds directly supporting individuals and families supported by Living Resources and Building On Love.

## Thank You for Transforming Lives

An event of this scale is only possible through the incredible generosity of our community, attendees, committee members, and generous corporate sponsors.

We extend a special thank you to our Presenting Sponsor, Barbara J. Bouchey Asset Management Incorporated, as well as all of our corporate partners, donors, and guests who joined us at the track. Your support ensures that we can continue empowering individuals with developmental disabilities and brain injuries, while providing critical assistance to families experiencing medical crises.

Thank you for making the Fifth Annual Tribute to Transforming Lives a resounding success!

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Barbara Bouchey & her brother Brian Bouchey

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## A NEW CHAPTER BEGINS: WELCOMING 10 NEW FRESHMEN TO THE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

Move-in day is always a milestone filled with unforgettable energy, and this year was no exception! Living Resources' College Experience Program (CEP) officially welcomed 10 new freshmen to our vibrant community at Russell Sage College.

The morning air buzzed with a mix of eager excitement and quiet first-day nerves. Parents and guardians arrived with cars loaded to the brim with all the essential ingredients for a successful college transition: cozy bedding, fresh wardrobes, snacks, and most importantly, those special comforts of home that make a new dorm room feel instantly inviting.



As trunk lids popped open and boxes were unpacked, the dorm hallways came alive with chatter, laughter, and teamwork. Our new freshmen jumped right into making their spaces their own, thoughtfully arranging their belongings and getting to know their dorm-mates. What started as quiet introductions quickly turned into shared smiles and the very first sparks of lifelong friendships.

Beginning college is a courageous step toward independence, personal growth, and new horizons. Through CEP's two-year residential program in partnership with Russell Sage College and Living Resources, these 10 students are embarking on a

journey rich with hands-on learning, life skills development, campus involvement, and meaningful internship experiences.

To our incoming freshman class: welcome to the family! We are so proud of the bold step you've taken today, and we cannot wait to watch all the incredible things you will accomplish in the months and years ahead.



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## SIZZLING SUCCESS: FOGG'S AUTOMOTIVE HOSTS BROOKS BBQ FUNDRAISER FOR LIVING RESOURCES



There's nothing quite like the irresistible aroma of charcoal and barbecue sauce drifting on a warm summer breeze, especially when every delicious meal sold goes toward making a direct, positive impact in our local community.

Recently, Fogg's Automotive in Scotia opened up their grounds to host a legendary Brooks House of BBQ drive-thru fundraiser benefiting Living Resources. Thanks to an incredible team effort between the Fogg's crew, passionate volunteers, and the Brooks BBQ pit masters, the event was a resounding success!

An event like this doesn't happen without extraordinary community spirit. Huge gratitude goes out to Fogg's Automotive for hosting the event, and the amazing volunteers from the company who worked tirelessly to pack meals, take orders, and serve food. Lastly, thank you to our wonderful community for showing up and supporting our mission!

## A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO THE BONADIO GROUP

At Living Resources, creating a warm, vibrant, and welcoming environment is at the heart of our mission. A home is more than just a place to live, it is a sanctuary where the individuals we support build independence, share experiences, and thrive within their community. Recently, one of our residential homes received a fresh, beautiful transformation thanks to the extraordinary dedication and hard work of a team of volunteers from The Bonadio Group!

By investing their time directly into our residential spaces, The Bonadio Group team demonstrated what true community partnership looks like, working side-by-side to ensure that individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities live in bright, dignified, and uplifting spaces. Community collaboration does not just complete a project; it empowers excellence across everything we do and deepens the sense of belonging for everyone involved.







## RADICAL EXPRESSION: LIVING RESOURCES ARTISTS SHINE AT "888 UNBOUND"

Art is meant to be shared, celebrated, and felt. Recently, the local art scene got a major dose of inspiration as Pinpoint Art Tattoo Studio hosted "888 Unbound", an extraordinary art show featuring original works created by talented artists from the Living Resources art program.

Before the public doors opened, Pinpoint Art Tattoo Studio hosted an exclusive, private reception dedicated entirely to the artists themselves. The studio went above and beyond to roll out the red carpet, decorating a dedicated party room and welcoming the artists with open arms, delicious snacks, and drinks.

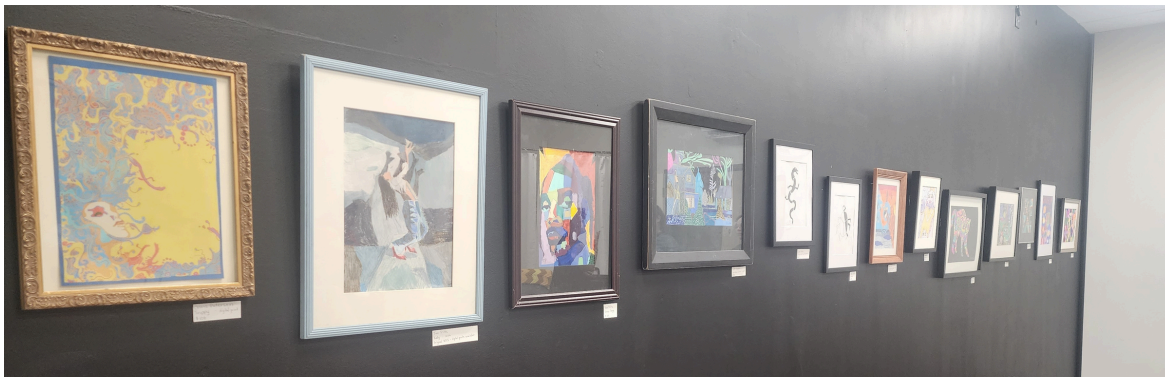
The private viewing wasn't just a celebration, it was a space for hands-on creativity. Living Resources artists had the opportunity to personalize their own photo frames, painting and customizing them to commemorate the special occasion. Laughter, pride, and creative energy filled the room as everyone gathered to toast to their incredible artistic achievements.



For many of the artists, seeing their hard work displayed in a professional gallery setting was a monumental milestone. Tyler, an artist supported by Living Resources who has three distinct pieces featured in the 888 Unbound show, summed up the experience perfectly:

"It feels radical."

"Radical" is the perfect word to describe both the artwork and the community spirit behind the event. Pinpoint Art Tattoo Studio's hospitality provided an unforgettable evening for these creators, proving that when inclusive community support meets artistic passion, magic happens.





## ROCKLAND DCOP SUMMER ADVENTURES



Summer is in full swing, and individuals in our Rockland County Day Community Opportunities Program (DCOP) recently wrapped up an unforgettable week packed with rich history, exciting outdoor adventures, and great companionship!

The week kicked off on Tuesday with an inspiring trip through American military history. Individuals in the program traveled to the West Point Museum and the Stony Point Battlefield Museum, taking in an incredible collection of historical artifacts and exhibits.

Throughout the tour, the group expanded their knowledge of the United States Military Academy and the rich heritage of the U.S. Army. A clear crowd favorite was getting up close to the massive armored tanks dating back to World War II! The historic outing wrapped up with a fun stop at the gift shop, where individuals

picked out special souvenirs to commemorate their day of exploration.

As the temperatures rose later in the week, the group headed to Rockland Lake State Pool for the ultimate summer cool-down. Everyone stayed active enjoying the sprawling pool area, zooming down the waterslides, testing out the diving boards, and splashing around the sprinkler zones.

The highlight of the afternoon was an energetic waterslide racing competition! The friendly race got an official stamp of approval when one of the pool lifeguards stepped in to act as the official judge, cheering on the racers as they splashed across the finish line.



This week of learning and splash-filled adventure brought plenty of smiles and built even stronger friendships across our group. Stay tuned for more adventures from DCOP!

