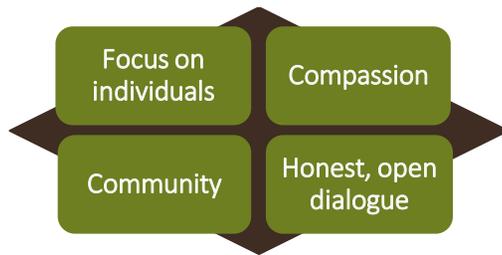


ABOUT BAMPA'S HOUSE

Mission

For families who want a home-like environment for a loved one to receive hospice care, Bampa's House is a comfort care center that focuses on making a person's last days as comfortable, safe, and peaceful as possible when home care is not an option. Bampa's House wants to give people the opportunity to spend the final days of their lives focused on family, friends, and comfort.

Values



Our Story

Bampa's House was first conceived after Jim Dugan's family struggled with finding an appropriate place for him to spend his final days. After he passed away, Jim's family decided that if there was any way to help others in this situation, even if it was just one or two families at a time, they would like to do so in Jim's honor.

Known affectionately as "Bampa" to his three grandsons, Jim was a big part of the Corning-Painted Post Community, spending his career at Corning Community College, volunteering through the Lion's Club, and facilitating beer tastings at The Site.

Contact Us

For more information, contact:
Joan Wilson, Board President, at 607-742-8562

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is comfort care?

The goal of comfort care is to prevent and/or alleviate suffering during the dying process. Comfort care does nothing to hasten or prolong a person's natural dying process. It is similar to palliative care in that its goal is to minimize pain and suffering. However, palliative care can be received by patients at any time, whether their illness is terminal or not. Comfort care focuses solely on end-of-life care.

Why choose a comfort care home over a nursing home, hospital, or home care?

Most people would rather spend their final days in their own home than in a nursing home or hospital. However, caregiving for terminally ill individuals can be overwhelming to their family and friends. A comfort care home provides an alternative to traditional nursing homes or hospitals, providing care in a home-like setting and giving the resident's family and friends a break from the strain of providing care.

Why does Corning need a comfort care home?

There are few options for people needing end-of-life care in the Corning area. Bampa's House will provide an alternate to the Corning area residents. The next closest comfort care homes are over 45 miles away. Friends and family should not have to drive that far to be there for their loved ones during their final days.

What services will Bampa's House provide to its residents?

Bampa's House will serve as a residence for terminally ill individuals. Care is provided by trained volunteer caregivers and the resident's family and friends. CareFirst, the local hospice organization, will be responsible for the provision of hospice care to residents.

Bampa's House is not a nursing facility, hospital, or treatment center; rather, it is a comfortable, home-like environment. Its focus is on comfort care. The staff and volunteers at Bampa's House will not administer IV fluid for hydration, tube feedings, or CPR. They will, however, do their best to alleviate pain and make the resident as comfortable as possible.

How much will residents pay to stay at Bampa's House?

Nothing. Neither residents nor their families will be charged for use of the home. Bampa's House is supported through monetary and in-kind donations, grants, and fundraising efforts.

Who will be able to stay at Bampa's House?

Bampa's House is a home for terminally ill individuals who are near death. Admission to Bampa's House will be based on the demonstrated need of the applicant, and preference will be given to terminally ill individuals who cannot receive adequate care at home.

Bampa's House can accommodate up to two residents at a time. Each resident will have their own private room and bathroom. There will also be shared spaces including a fully stocked kitchen, dining area, and family room that the residents can enjoy with their family and friends. There will even be room for family members to stay with their loved ones if desired.

Does Bampa's House serve only people with cancer/only adults?

No. Bampa's House serves terminally ill individuals regardless of diagnosis or age.

THE PLAN

Establishing Bampa's House will take time, a great deal of effort, and, of course, continuous funding. Other comfort care homes in the area have averaged 3 years of work before opening their doors to residents, and we hope to match or exceed that goal.

1 Year Vision

- ✓ Apply and receive approval for the 501c3 nonprofit organization, including establishing the Board of Directors and Committee chairs
- ✓ Build awareness in the community and get the community involved
- ✓ Begin fundraising to raise capital for the initial and maintenance expenses
- ✓ Research the area for potential buildings/sites

3 Year Vision

- Finalize a location and build/renovate to suit the needs of our comfort care home
- Hire a director who will manage the home once it is open
- Develop a network of volunteers
- Create and deliver a training program for all employees and volunteers
- Begin serving our first patients
- Continue fundraising efforts by developing a plan for annual fundraising events

5 Year Vision

- Maintain Bampa's House as a resource for the Corning-Painted Post community
- Continue growing the fundraising events
- Become an active part of the Corning-Painted Post community

HOW CAN I HELP?

Donate

Bampa's House is a 501c3 nonprofit organization. Donations to Bampa's House are tax deductible and can easily be made on our website or by mailing a check payable to:

Bampa's House
PO Box 965
Corning, NY 14830

All donations in any amount are truly appreciated.

Sponsor Bampa's House

Sponsorship levels will be announced shortly for those wishing to sponsor this effort on a multi-year basis and receive recognition in our brochures, newsletters, and fundraising events.

Volunteer

You can help make Bampa's House be the kind of home you'd like your loved ones to experience if the time comes.

Volunteers were the backbone to getting Bampa's House started, and volunteers will continue to be the backbone to keep Bampa's House running. There are many opportunities to use your unique skillset to keep Bampa's House going – caregiving, housework, landscaping, and fundraising, just to name a few.

If you'd like to learn more or become involved, please contact Joan Wilson, Board President, at 607-742-8562.



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