

...895 people have  
a home today.



Caritas Communities  
*Preventing Homelessness with Affordable Housing*

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ROZ, former resident



Centre Street, Dorchester, MA residence



GEORGE, resident since 2012



VAL, resident since 2006

*Photos of George and Val by Romana Vysatova. All other photos by Greig Grama.*

Founder P. Leo Corcoran started with one triple-decker in Dorchester in 1985. Caritas now owns and manages 29 properties that provide affordable housing for 895 people. We will continue to develop properties into affordable housing as long as there are people who cannot afford to live in Greater Boston: Individuals whose jobs do not provide a living wage, people on fixed incomes, and Veterans. No one should be homeless.

You can make a difference  
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Thanks to you...



JOHN, resident since 2011



Central Square, Cambridge, MA residence



ROBERT, new resident

## At Caritas, we believe that every person deserves a safe, clean place to call home.

Caritas prides itself on providing safe, well-maintained, affordable housing. Each house is supervised by a live-in manager responsible for the well-being of the residents and the upkeep of the property. Caritas partners with several direct care agencies including Vinfen, Heading Home, AIDS Action Committee, Pine Street Inn, the Veterans Northeast Outreach Center, and the New England Center for Homeless Veterans. The Caritas model creates sustainable properties that lessen the need for homeless shelters. By running our properties on a not-for-profit basis, renting at below market rents, and partnering with service agencies, we make it possible for our residents to have a permanent home — and to maintain dignity and stability in their lives.

**We need your support.**



JANIE, resident since 2004

## Everyone should have a home.

In America, housing should be a right — not a privilege. Our mission is to prevent homelessness by creating quality housing that a low-income person can afford.

## Caritas is:

**Affordable.** With Boston the 7th most expensive city in the U.S., many working people cannot afford an apartment, let alone a house. Caritas provides housing these people can afford: \$500 a month, including utilities, laundry, property management and maintenance.

**Compassionate.** Our Safety Net Program helps residents stay in their Caritas home during a crisis. Managers and case workers provide onsite support.

**Proud.** Our properties are safe, clean and well-maintained. Caritas residents and staff take pride in our homes.

**A Leader in Excellence.** Caritas is Greater Boston's nonprofit leader in providing affordable housing. We improve neighborhoods and residents' lives with top quality renovations and continuous property upgrades.

## How you can help.

What better gift can you give than one that helps someone have a home? Please consider making a gift today. Because no one should be homeless. Contact Karin Cassel, 781.843.1242, ext. 23, [kcassel@caritascommunities.org](mailto:kcassel@caritascommunities.org).

# Dear Mary Jane:

Please consider a gift of:

\$1,000

\$500

\$250

\$100

\$50

\$25

other \_\_\_\_\_

I believe a place to live is not a luxury, but a necessity. Helping to put people in homes is what drives me. You, too, can help by making a generous gift to Caritas.

*Mark Winkeller*

*Executive Director*



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