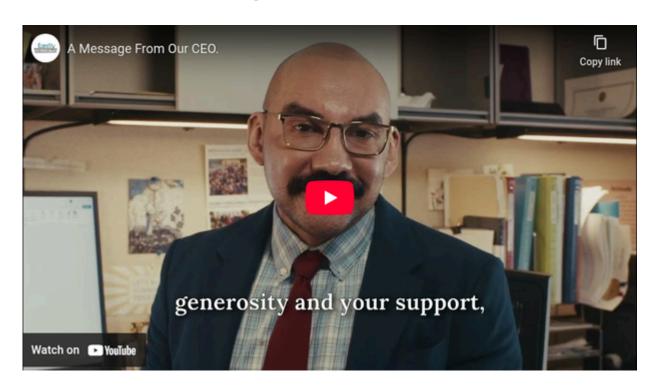
# Fall **2025**



# **Message From Our CEO**



# **Pecan Gardens Made History**

Family Eldercare's **Pecan Gardens has made history** as the first housing development in Austin, Texas to be awarded the Crime Free Multi Housing Program Certificate by the Austin Police Department. This achievement reflects a proven, proactive strategy for preventing crime.

Safe, decent, affordable housing is critical to the well-being of our older neighbors. That is why this certification is so important to us and our residents. Pecan Gardens celebrated the news with city officials, housing advocates, law enforcement, and Family Eldercare leadership at a certification ceremony on September 16, 2025.

<u>Visit our blog</u> to see more photos and learn more.







# **Thank You For Saving Lives!**

Our 2025 Summer Fan Drive-- which includes more than 30 community partners, 100 volunteers, and 3,500+ friends and neighbors-- united to protect vulnerable Central Texans from serious heat illness.

We are profoundly grateful for the community support, year after year!



# Program Spotlight: Service Coordination

#### Mary and David

Mary and David, both in their 60s, have been through a lot together, including homelessness. They were directed to Family Eldercare Service Coordinators who were able to help David to apply for jobs, schedule interviews, and enroll for benefits to keep them stably housed. Today, his part-time job gives them much needed peace-of-mind.



**What is Service Coordination?** Family Eldercare follows a national, proven model that connects older adults to services, resources, and support.

**Why is it important?** Older adults who are living on a low fixed income can face many issues. Unexpected expenses, medical conditions, and social isolation are common. Having a Service Coordinator readily available, helps provide stability, independence, and dignity.

**What do Service Coordinators do?** From helping residents apply for disability benefits to arranging social activities, Service Coordinators provide a variety of services, including:

- Arranging transportation for shopping and other needs
- Assistance applying for benefits
- Disaster / Emergency Preparedness
- Organization of personal records
- Pet assistance/services
- Social activities
- Coordinating medical appointments

# **Being 90 Never Looked So Good**

### Happy Birthday to Richard, Gustavo, Andrés, and Josephine!

Our Service Coordinator Juan Perez arranges regular birthday celebrations at Lyons Gardens --our affordable housing complex for older adults. But this one was extra special with four friends turning age 90+.





# Won't You Be Our Friend?

It was a pleasure getting to know some of our donors and supporters who joined us at our first Friend-Raiser last month. We talked about the vital services Family Eldercare provides, took a tour of Lyons Gardens- one of our affordable housing complexes, and got to hear the touching testimonials from some of the people we serve.

We can't wait to do it again!



#### **SAVE-THE-DATE for our next Friend-Raiser**

Thursday, November 13, 2025 12pm - 1pm RSVP Here

Bring a friend! Lunch provided!

Enjoy some highlights below from our first Friend-Raiser!



## We Need You!

Family Eldercare's Volunteer Program has lots of opportunities and we know one is perfect for you! You can volunteer individually or in groups. Review our <u>volunteer page</u> for more information. Ready to get started? <u>Email us</u> today.



#### **Client Companions**

Volunteer one-onone with older adults and adults with disabilities to reduce feelings of isolation and brighten both your lives..



#### **Community Mealtime**

Together with friends, family, coworkers prepare and serve a meal for our residents living at one of our housing communities.



#### **Financial Co-Pilot**

Partner with an older adult to help keep everyday money matters organized and stress-free. Help with budgeting, paying bills, looking out for scams and more.



#### **Host a Friend-Raiser**

Help us spread the word about our impact by "hosting" a small group event at one of our housing communities. You provide the guest list and we do the rest!