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adults with disabilities



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Through the **GRACE** of **GOD**,
The Brookwood Community
provides an educational
environment that builds a sense
of belonging, provides meaningful
work, and awakens genuine purpose
in the lives of adults with disabilities.

A Note from Our CEO

Dear Brookwood Friends,

As I reflect on my first year here at The Brookwood Community, I wanted to take a moment to thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for the incredibly warm welcome my family and I have received. This place is unlike any other. My wife Gina and I, along with our three sons—Zach, Tyler, and Tate—have been deeply moved by the love, purpose, and joy that fill this campus daily. It's been an absolute blessing to step into this role and experience firsthand what makes Brookwood such a remarkable community.

The photos on this page capture only a few of the hundreds of interactions our family has had with Citizens, Community Members, volunteers, families and friends of Brookwood. Each encounter has enriched our lives in ways we never imagined. From morning greetings in Horticulture to watching Citizens create beautiful products in the studios, every day at Brookwood reaffirms just how powerful a culture of unconditional love can be. It's not just something we talk about, it's something you feel here.

This summer especially, I've been inspired by how our community continues to grow while staying true to our roots. As we look to the future, we're committed to **PRESERVING** Brookwood's spirit, **STRENGTHENING** our programs and resources, and **LEADING** with both faith and vision. It's because of your support that we're able to keep our Founder's mission alive—and expand its impact for generations to come.

Thank you for believing in Brookwood, and for walking alongside us in this journey. Together, we are fulfilling our vision of "Changing the way the world thinks about adults with disabilities" each and every day. I'm so honored to be part of this special place, and even more excited for what's ahead.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Greg Hubert

Chief Executive Officer

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing."

— 1 Thessalonians 5:11



Greg, his wife Gina, and their sons, Zach, Tyler, and Tate, enjoying Halloween at Brookwood.



Greg and the Brookwood Handbell Ensemble at the 2024 Open House.



Citizens Andrew, Frank, and Joe with Greg at the Rodeo Fashion Show.



Greg enjoying Family Day with Citizens Carrie and Sophia.

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Values**

**Grace
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**Respect
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Honesty**



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Thurs-Sat * Sept 4-6

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Citizen Spirit Week Builds Excitement for a Joy-Filled Family Day Celebration

Citizen Spirit Week brought a burst of creativity and fun to Brookwood as we geared up for Family Day!

Monday was *Favorite Color Day*, followed by *Favorite Team Day* on Tuesday, *Twin Day* on Wednesday, *Favorite Holiday Day* on Thursday, and *Superhero Day* on Friday. From rainbow outfits to capes and Christmas sweaters, Brookwood Citizens went all out!

The themes were chosen—after much lively debate—during a Citizen Council lunch, making this a true celebration of Brookwood pride and community spirit!



Spotlight on Talent: Citizens Shine at Family Day

Brookwood Citizens lit up the stage, and our hearts, at the **2025 Family Day**, a cherished tradition held on May 17 that brought together Citizens, family members, and the wider community for a day of connection, celebration, and purpose.

This special event gives family members the chance to visit Brookwood, catch up with one another, and see firsthand the incredible work Citizens have been accomplishing. This year, the spotlight belonged to talented Citizens in a one-of-a-kind talent show facilitated by **Greg Glauser** and the **Citizen Life Team**. After months of hard work and practice, Citizens took the stage to share their unique talents—revealing humor, artistry, and joy in every performance.

More than thirty art pieces were on display, many created in collaboration with local artists, showcasing Citizen's creativity and skills.

Family Day was a testament to the purpose and vibrant spirit that defines The Brookwood Community.



Families “All-In” for Brookwood’s Future

The Family “All-In” campaign for Brookwood’s Preserve-Strengthen-Lead capital initiatives kicked off at Family Day on May 17 with a goal of raising \$4 million by July 8—and the excitement was contagious! These initiatives focus on what matters most: new and renovated homes, safety upgrades, wellness and activity programs, expanded enterprises, improved facilities and technology, reliable transportation, and a strong endowment for the future.

Thanks to the Leadership Committee, Julie and Chris Whitten, Chairs, Debbie and Bill Bankston, Susan and Rick Blanton, Kem and Fred Frost, Becky and Neal Gorman, Kay and Howard House, Belinda and Louis Jones, Sherry and Jim Kitchell, Roberta and Joe Perna, Tracy and Barry Schneider, Debbie and Steve Sukin, Stephanie and Brad Tucker,

Lisa and Craig Walker, Cindy and John Zuilhof, and the incredible generosity of Brookwood families and board members, the “All-In” goal was achieved and more than \$28 million has now been given or pledged toward the capital initiatives!

As we continue to grow, we are dedicated to preserving what makes Brookwood so special while strengthening our campus with modern facilities, sustainable systems, and providing more opportunities for fun, fitness, and meaningful work. We’re also committed to looking to the future to lead Brookwood through innovation, partnerships, and new initiatives to improve our programs and facilities, and share the Brookwood model, offering hope and purpose to even more families across Texas and beyond.



Brookwood Celebrates Groundbreaking for Future Homes

On July 17, we celebrated a very special day at Brookwood —the groundbreaking for two new Type B homes! Families, friends, donors, Citizens and Community Members gathered together to bless the land that will soon become The Feigin and Philip’s Homes. It was a beautiful day filled with hope, gratitude, and excitement for what’s to come.

The plans for these homes have been in the making for years, and now they’re becoming a reality. Designed to meet the changing needs of our Citizens, they will offer extra support and services so that every Citizen can feel safe, cared for, and right at home.

We couldn’t have reached this milestone without the incredible generosity of many donors and supporters who are the heart behind this project. We can’t wait for the day when these homes are filled with laughter, friendship, and the warmth of community life at its best.





I Believe in BROOKWOOD

2024 Top 10 Fundraising Teams

Frank Tucker
Kyndall Krippner
Jenny Boudreaux
Brookwood Day Program
Wilson Shudde and Vicki Streit
Bike to Brookwood
Austin Hanson / Energy Transfer
Patrick McBirney
Charlie Stubbs
Richard Cross / Bob Smith

Teams Over 30 Donations

Frank Tucker—104
Ketifa Grant—95
Greg Hubert Family—62
Meade Greer—40
Charlie Stubbs—38
Davis Bankston—6
Kyndall Krippner—35
Wilson Shudde and Vicki Streit—34

I Believe in Brookwood: 40+ Years of Purpose, Friendship & Hope

For over 40 years, you've helped transform lives at Brookwood.

What began with 10 young adults has grown to over 250 Citizens across Brookshire, Richmond, and The Woodlands—living lives filled with dignity, friendship, and joy.

That's why **I Believe in Brookwood** matters. Our 2025 goal is \$2 million and nearly every dollar goes directly to programs that enrich Citizen lives. With your help, we can reach it!

Give today in honor of your favorite Citizen Team or the Dream Team at www.BrookwoodCommunity.org/Believe or [scan the QR code to the right](#). Every gift makes a difference. Thank you for believing in Brookwood!



I Believe in Brookwood Citizen Spotlight: Austin Hanson



Austin Hanson is now in his 13th year at Brookwood, and he still walks through our doors each day with excitement and joy. Many of you know Austin from the Café, where his tie, apron, and big smile light up the room. Recently, you may have also spotted him in the foyer, painting ceramics with great focus and creativity.

Four years ago, **Energy Transfer** partnered with Austin, creating a unique collaboration

that has touched so many lives. Each year, Austin's expressive paintings are auctioned off by the Energy Transfer BBQ Cookoff Leadership Team at the BBQ Cookoff.

This incredible partnership became one of the top fundraisers for 2024, and we are deeply grateful for both our community and Energy Transfer's support. Together, "Team Austin and Energy Transfer" continue to inspire us all!



Information is
available online here:
bit.ly/BenefitLunch2026

Save the Date for the Brookwood 2026 Benefit Lunch: Building Bright Futures!

Join us on Wednesday, April 1 for Brookwood's **2026 Benefit Lunch**, led by Co-Chairs **Melissa and Jacob Robinson** and **Amanda and Sam Tucker**, along with Citizen Honorary Chair **Frank Tucker**.

This bi-annual luncheon is more than just a gathering—it's an opportunity to inspire change in how the world sees adults with disabilities while raising essential funds for our Scholarship Program, which supports many Brookwood Citizens.

We are honored to have such passionate Chairs guiding this year's event and look forward to an unforgettable afternoon of purpose and inspiration.



A “Dino-mite” Night to Remember at Brookwood!

It was a roaring good time at The Brookwood Community on Saturday, June 21, as dinosaurs took over the gymnasium in the most delightful way! Hosted by long-time donor and friend **Bruce Stein**, along with 20 incredible volunteers from **Triple-S Steel Company**, the evening brought smiles, laughter, and a few surprised gasps to over 200 Brookwood Residents and their families and friends. From start to finish, the night was packed with prehistoric fun—and a few futuristic surprises!

Brookwood’s CEO **Greg Hubert** welcomed guests, and the evening kicked off with a delicious catered dinner featuring dino-themed delights. Dinosaur-shaped cookies and classic campfire s’mores were a huge hit, adding the perfect sweet touch to a night filled with joy. Families gathered at decorated tables, snapping photos and sharing stories, while laughter echoed across the gym. The setting was festive, the company was cheerful, and the excitement was only just beginning.

The real show-stoppers of the night? Three life-sized dinosaurs—measuring up to a whopping 10 feet tall—who sauntered, strutted, and playfully interacted with guests! A 9-foot robot even joined the fun, delighting both the tech fans and dino-lovers alike. The brave were rewarded with gentle dinosaur snuggles and friendly nudges, while others enjoyed observing from a safe (but still giggly) distance. It was the perfect mix of Jurassic and joyful.

A huge thank you to **Bruce Stein**, pictured above, and the amazing **Triple-S Steel** team for hosting a truly unforgettable evening. It was dino-mite!

Events like these are what make the Brookwood Community so special—where magic moments are created, friendships are celebrated, and imaginations are free to run wild (even with dinosaurs on the loose!).



Brookwood Visionary Society Gratitude Luncheon

The **Brookwood Visionary Society** gathered Wednesday, May 15, for a special luncheon that celebrated community, vision, and the bright future ahead. Guests were welcomed with a beautiful performance by the **Brookwood Handbell Ensemble**, setting a joyful and uplifting tone for the afternoon.

Brookwood CEO **Greg Hubert** and Center for Learning Executive Director **Vivian Shudde** shared how the support of the Visionary Society plays a crucial role in making Brookwood’s plans a reality. From expanding opportunities for our Citizens to ensuring the long-term sustainability of our programs, their message was clear: being a Visionary Society member means being part of something truly life-changing.

If you would like to learn more about becoming a Brookwood Visionary Society member and joining this extraordinary group of supporters, please contact **Letty Lagos** at LettyL@BrookwoodCommunity.org or 281-375-2220.



In Loving Memory



**Patrick
McBirney**

Patrick McBirney, one of Brookwood's first Citizens, passed away June 29, 2025. Patrick found lasting friendships and enjoyed the companionship of his Anderson housemates. Patrick will be remembered for his sweetness, curiosity, perseverance, strong will, and independence.



**Christi
Zuilhof**

Christina "Christi" Johanna Zuilhof, 34, entered eternal life on June 1, 2025. For the past 10 years, Christi thrived as a Day Citizen at Brookwood, finding purpose and joy—most recently in the Ceramics Studio. Known for her radiant smile, loving spirit, and the way she communicated through her eyes and touch, she brought out the best in others, shared joy freely.

Celebrating 40 Years of Service: "Mr. Brookwood" Greg Glauser

This June, **Greg Glauser** celebrated his 40th anniversary of service at Brookwood! Greg and his wife Andrea joined Brookwood in 1985 as the first Residential Home Teachers. Over the years, Greg has become lovingly known as "Mr. Brookwood" — the one who makes fun and fitness come alive for our residential Citizens.

Greg's service has been filled with love, patience, and generosity, reflecting Brookwood's core values of respect, opportunity, and grace. In a special tribute to his remarkable impact, his home will now be named the **Glauser Home**.



Thank you, Greg, for your incredible dedication and for making Brookwood such a joy-filled place. Cheers to 40 years and to many more memories still to come!

Kicking Off Summer

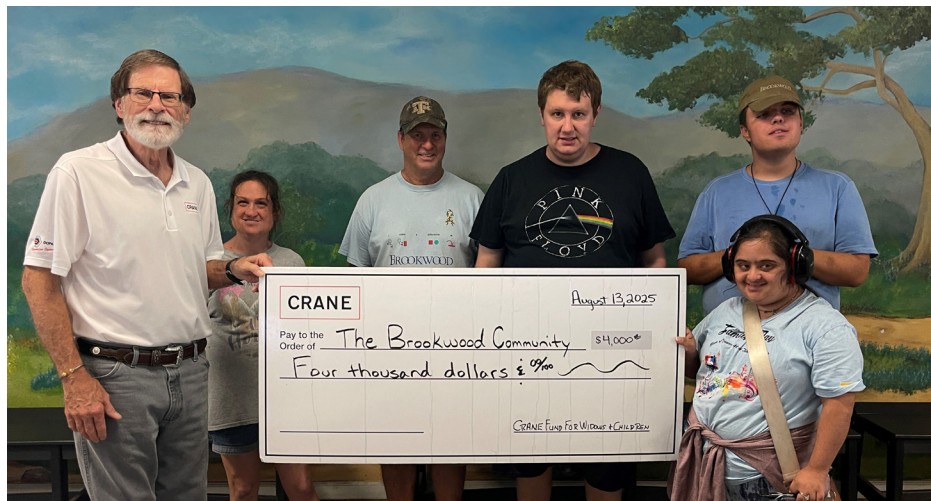
On May 29, Brookwood Citizens and Community members laced up their sneakers and inflatable costumes for a lively kickball tournament filled with teamwork, laughter, and plenty of cheering from the sidelines. After the final run was scored, everyone cooled off with sweet **Kona Ice** snowcones—a real treat in the Texas heat!



Generosity in Action: Dopak & Crane Fund Supports Brookwood Citizens

Brookwood recently had the honor of receiving a generous \$4,000 check presentation from **Bill Walker** of **Dopak**, representing the **Crane Fund**. This gift will directly support Citizens, empowering them to live and work with purpose at Brookwood.

We are grateful to Bill Walker, Dopak, and the Crane Fund for investing in the lives of Citizens and for joining us in changing the way the world thinks about adults with disabilities.



Community Partner Spotlight: IIAH and IP Financial Services

Brookwood is blessed to have friends who champion Citizens in big, joyful ways. Sometimes, those ways involve bowling shoes and a whole lot of fun!

During the recent **IIAH Bowling Fundraiser**, our friends at IP Financial Services made a remarkable gesture of generosity. **William Peachey**, representing the company, purchased 100 raffle tickets specifically for Brookwood Citizens. This act didn't just give our Citizens a chance to win prizes—it gave them the excitement of being part of the event, the joy of cheering each other on, and the feeling of being truly included in the celebration.

Community partnerships like this help preserve the heart of Brookwood by surrounding Citizens with opportunities to participate, connect, and thrive. We are deeply grateful to IIAH Houston, William Peachey and IP Financial Services for leading with generosity and showing what it means to invest in purpose and people.



Pedals, Purpose & Plenty of Grit: Gear Up for Bike for Brookwood!



The heat is no deterrent for determined Brookwood Citizens! With October's **Bike for Brookwood** rides just around the corner, Citizens are training, preparing, and proving that a little sweat is just part of the journey to greatness.

This annual tradition will be held October 4, 11, and 18, with three different teams of Citizens and Corporate Sponsors riding, volunteering, and cheering each other on. Want in on the fun? Whether you ride, volunteer, or sponsor, you'll leave inspired. Click here to learn more and sign up at www.BrookwoodCommunity.org/Bike-for-Brookwood. To become a sponsor, contact **Aimee Pickett** at APickett@BrookwoodCommunity.org. Let's make this year's ride the best one yet!



Get Revved Up!

Join us **Saturday, October 25** from 8:00am–2:00pm for a **Car Show Fundraiser** hosted by the **Country Cruisers Car Club** this event promises free fun for the whole family! For more information, go to www.BrookwoodCommunity.org/Events.

Take a Tour! There's So Much More to Brookwood Than Meets the Eye, and We'd Love to Show You!



Join us for a docent-led tour and experience the heart of our mission firsthand. You'll step inside our beautiful Worship Center, visit Citizen enterprises like ceramics, stone casting, and horticulture, and see how our Citizens take great pride in their work. Every corner of campus tells a story of dedication, artistry, and community.

After your tour, enjoy a delicious lunch at The Brookwood Café, then browse our Gift Shop and Garden Center for one-of-a-kind treasures.

Exclusive Offer for Groups of 10+:

Complimentary lunch for the tour organizer

10% off one item for each attendee in the Gift Shop or Garden Center (Art Gallery excluded)

Reserve your tour by contacting **Joanne Clark**, Tour Coordinator, at JClark@BrookwoodCommunity.org or 281-375-2100 or at www.BrookwoodCommunity.org/Tour.



Make a Difference—Volunteer!

Are you looking for a way to give back, make a difference and be a part of something truly meaningful?

Brookwood needs corporate and individual volunteers of all ages and skill sets to help us carry out our mission of changing the way the world thinks about adults with disabilities.

Whether you're great with people, love working with plants, enjoy hands on projects, or just want to spend time in a place filled with purpose, there's a place for you!

Visit www.BrookwoodCommunity.org/Volunteer to learn more and sign up today!

Help Fulfill Brookwood's Wish List

Every gift—big or small—helps Citizens live, work, and thrive with purpose. Our Wish List includes much-needed items for our work programs and daily life. Contact **Letty Lagos** for more information on the items below at 281.375.2220 or LettyL@BrookwoodCommunity.org.

CENTER FOR LEARNING

Conference Supplies \$800

CITIZEN LIFE

Card Dealing Machine \$140
Community Garden Soil \$600
Bloom Fitness TV \$2,000

ENTERPRISES

Café Garden Project \$500,000
Café Catering Van \$50,000
Café Ice Machine \$11,000
Sugar Plum Market Booth Fee \$1,175
Nutcracker Market Booth Fee \$5,400
Junior League Market Booth Fee \$2,700
Houston Country Club Holiday Market Booth Fee \$1,400
Fixtures for Bazaars \$8,000

FACILITIES

Floor Scrubber \$11,500
iPad Tablets \$200 (2 needed)
Milwaukee Plumbing Tools \$4,000
Dewalt Cordless Tool Set \$650
Dewalt Battery and Charger Station \$200
Extension Cords \$50 (3 needed)

HORTICULTURE

Ice Machine \$6,000

PROGRAMS

BTA – Paper Making Molds \$300 (2 needed)
Vinyl Cutting Machine \$300
Utility Cart \$110
Grand Parkway Indoor games \$60
Grand Parkway Bean Bag Chair \$120
Slab Rolling Machine \$1,325
Clay Recycling Table \$1,100
Slab Mat \$150

RESIDENTIAL

Tuttle Home—Vacuum Cleaner \$450
Tuttle Home—Ice Maker \$225
Tucker Home—Air Fryer \$200
Anderson Home—Janitor Cart \$150
Jamail Home—Outdoor Folding Chairs \$300
Jamail Home—Yogurt/Ice Cream Maker \$300



We've made it easy to shop for Brookwood online!

Browse our **Walmart Registry for Good** or **Amazon Gift List** to purchase items directly for Brookwood. Simply scan the QR codes below to be taken right to each list, select your item, and have it shipped straight to Brookwood!

Walmart



amazon



Celebrate Life's Special Moments at The Café

Looking for the perfect spot to host your next gathering? The Brookwood Café offers a charming private dining room that can accommodate up to 25 guests—ideal for holiday parties, baby or wedding showers, anniversaries, or work events! Call the Café at 281-375-2400 for rates and availability!



More Than a Job—A Calling with Purpose

At Brookwood, work is more than a job—it's a calling with purpose. Step into a role where you'll serve alongside our Citizens as they live full, dignified lives, and in the process, discover how your own life can be filled with deeper meaning. Please visit www.BrookwoodCommunity.org/Careers.



You're Invited!

Upcoming Events and Workshops



Fall Fest

**Thursday—Saturday
September 4—6**

Celebrate the season with over 30 vendors, Citizen-made creations, great food, and festive fall fun!



Container Garden

Friday

September 26

Learn to create a stunning container garden with plants grown at Brookwood by amazing Citizens.



Art Show

**Friday—Saturday
October 10—11**

Experience Psalm 23 through the brushstrokes of artist Wayne Kerr and be moved by the message!



Succulent Pumpkin

**Friday—Saturday
October 17—18**

Autumn is calling—and so are the pumpkins! Create a one-of-a-kind succulent pumpkin centerpiece!



Car Show

**Saturday
October 25**

Get ready to feast your eyes on 100+ stunning classic cars, benefitting The Brookwood Community!



Nutcracker Noel

Tuesday

November 4

Kick off the holiday at Ladies Night Out with a chance to win four VIP Nutcracker tickets!



Open House

**Friday—Saturday
December 5—6**

Join us for our annual Christmas Open House with Citizen plays, tours, shopping, and dining!



Breakfast with Santa

**Two Saturdays
December 13 & 20**

Enjoy a delicious Brookwood Café breakfast with Santa—and don't forget your list!

Brookwood Comes to You

Consuela Gives Back Saturday September 13

Shop with style and heart at the Consuela Connects Give-Back Party

benefiting The Brookwood Community, Saturday, September 13, 11:00am—2:00pm at **Consuela La Centerra in Katy**—where fashion meets philanthropy for three feel-good hours of in-store or phone shopping that supports Brookwood!

Joy of Giving Market • Tues.—Thurs., Oct. 14—16

St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 717 Sage Road, Houston, TX 77056

Hearts & Hands Holiday Market • Mon.—Wed., Oct. 20—23

Memorial Drive UMC, 12955 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77079

Sugar Plum Market • Wed.—Sat., Nov. 5—8

Stafford Center, 10505 Cash Road, Stafford, TX 77477

Nutcracker Market • Thurs.—Sun., Nov. 13—16

NRG Center, 1 Fannin St, Houston, TX 77054

Junior League Market • Fri.—Sun., Nov. 21—23

The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel & Convention Center, 1601 Lake Robbins Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77380



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