



Community Report | 2025



At RiverSpring Living, caring for older adults is not just our mission—it is woven into the fabric of who we are and what we do daily.

Message from Leadership

RiverSpring Living has long been guided by our mission to support older adults with respect, compassion, and opportunity. Today we are focusing that mission on our campus, which will soon be home to River's Edge, our new continuing care retirement community scheduled to open in 2028. Our campus will serve as a model for senior living that reflects the needs, interests, and expectations of today's older adults.

Without our community of loyal donors and partners, Riverspring Living would not lead in fostering connections, choice, and belonging for a diverse group of older adults.

It is deeply meaningful for us to expand our services and create dynamic communities—from rehabilitation and long-term care to assisted living and independent living—that celebrate enrichment and engagement while ensuring that care and support are always within reach.

We are grateful to our dedicated staff, residents, families, board members, and generous donors, whose commitment and support fuel us to strengthen and fulfill our mission of care.



Jeffrey S. Maurer



David V. Pomeranz

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Jeffrey S. Maurer
CHAIRMAN

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David V. Pomeranz
PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Who We Are

RiverSpring Living is a nationally recognized leader in caring for older adults. We offer a dynamic and comprehensive array of services and housing options to meet the diverse needs of older adults. We serve over 18,000 people every day in the Greater New York community and on the gorgeous 32-acre Greenberg campus, where our world-renowned Hebrew Home at Riverdale, RiverWalk Senior Apartments, and new RiverSpring Residences are located.

We deliver a full range of care options and have an unsurpassed reputation for quality. We have transformed the landscape of aging through innovation and are singularly focused on helping our patients, residents, and members live their best lives. Our Hebrew Home at Riverdale, home care, managed care, assisted living and independent living, care management services, and specialized services, such as elder justice and memory care, all coalesce to underpin the mission we have lived for over 100 years.

RiverSpring Living serves older adults of all faiths through compassionate care, innovative resources, and vibrant community engagement. Guided by Jewish values, we advocate and celebrate a vision of empowered aging.

Programs and Services



THE HEBREW HOME AT RIVERDALE

Nestled on the 32-acre Maurice R. and Corinne P. Greenberg campus on the banks of the Hudson River, the Hebrew Home at Riverdale is internationally recognized as a best-in-class long-term care community. We push the boundaries of what's possible in skilled nursing care. Innovative programs such as memory care, therapeutic activities, college courses, vision care, and exercise classes are underscored by individual attention and commitment to our residents, making a tangible difference in their quality of life.

Skilled Nursing Care

We are proud to be an internationally recognized pioneer in the field of long-term care.

RiverSpring Rehabilitation

This department runs a comprehensive and interdisciplinary program of physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech and language therapy.

Memory Support Care

We offer residential memory support settings for older adults to help foster the essential components of a meaningful and enriching life.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (CONT.)



SENIOR ADULT HOUSING

RiverWalk

This premier older adult community offers residential independent living with a focus on a carefree lifestyle. It provides hospitality services, cultural activities and events, spacious apartment living, gourmet meals, and transportation services.

RiverSpring Residences (Etta Weill's House)

This enriched residence represents a giant step forward in assisted living and memory care. Composed of 69 apartments, it offers concierge-based services for luxurious living and provides a supportive community for older adults who require a level of assistance in their everyday living.

RiverSpring Assisted Living Program

This residential community, which is supported by New York State Medicaid for older adults, offers the best of both worlds—independence along with extra support and personal care services for low-income New Yorkers.

LIFE PLAN COMMUNITY

River's Edge (Opening in 2029)

New York City's First Life Plan Community

This marks a transformative change in services for active older adults and a revolution in luxury living. The freedom afforded by River's Edge

Hudson House

This federally subsidized low-income housing community, located in the heart of Riverdale, provides a peaceful environment.

1880 Boston Road Apartments

This affordable community residence has 168 apartments, of which 51 are reserved for formerly homeless older adults. A myriad of life-enhancing supportive services are provided.

Arthur Avenue Apartments

This affordable community residence has 177 apartments, of which 54 are reserved for formerly homeless older adults. LEED certified, this newly constructed residence opened in 2021 and provides supportive services. Residents enjoy amenities including a gym, a teaching kitchen, and an array of ongoing supportive services to help them maintain independence within the community.

reduces the cost of any future healthcare needs, as it secures a home for life. Enjoy a metropolitan lifestyle and peace of mind along the Hudson, complete with views of the Palisades and premier amenities, where you can live your best life.



LIVING AT HOME

RiverSpring Care Management

This concierge-based service creates uniquely tailored plans of care for clients.

RiverSpring Licensed

Home Care Services Agency

Helping to maximize individual independence at home, this agency provides comprehensive and personalized home healthcare services for older adults.



2025 Year in Numbers

RiverSpring Living is dedicated to helping older adults live the fullest lives they can, transforming the landscape of aging into a life-affirming and empowering experience.

We set the bar for quality of life with innovative programs and services designed to meet the evolving needs of older adults. We offer a full and complete range of care solutions, including the nationally recognized Hebrew Home at Riverdale, managed long-term care, independent living, assisted living programs, older adult community housing, and specialized services such as elder abuse prevention and memory care.



RESIDENT PROFILE AND HEALTHCARE BED COMPLEMENT

398 Skilled nursing beds	105 Residents living with Alzheimer's disease or memory disorders
69 Private assisted living apartments	83 Average resident age
94 Memory support beds	14 Centenarians in residence
91 Subacute/short-term rehabilitation beds	8 Holocaust survivors in residence
35 Medicaid assisted living apartments	



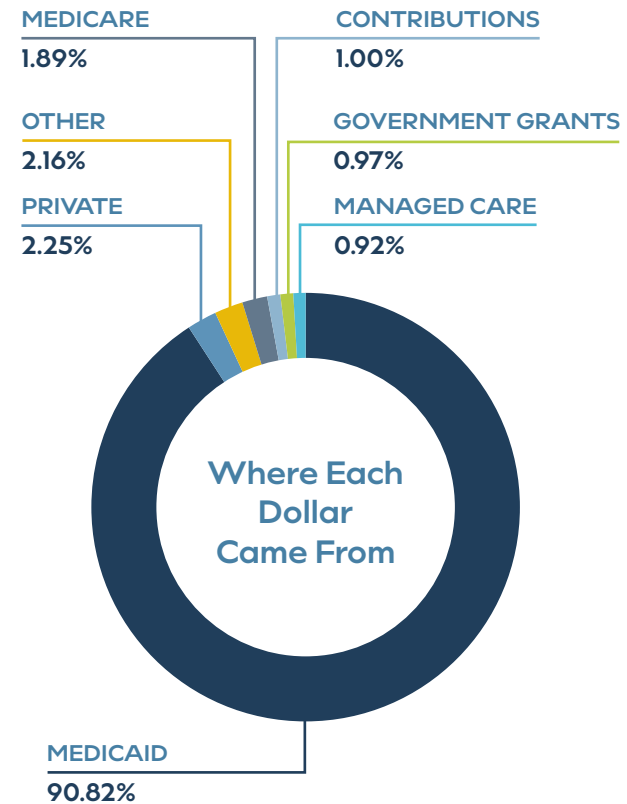
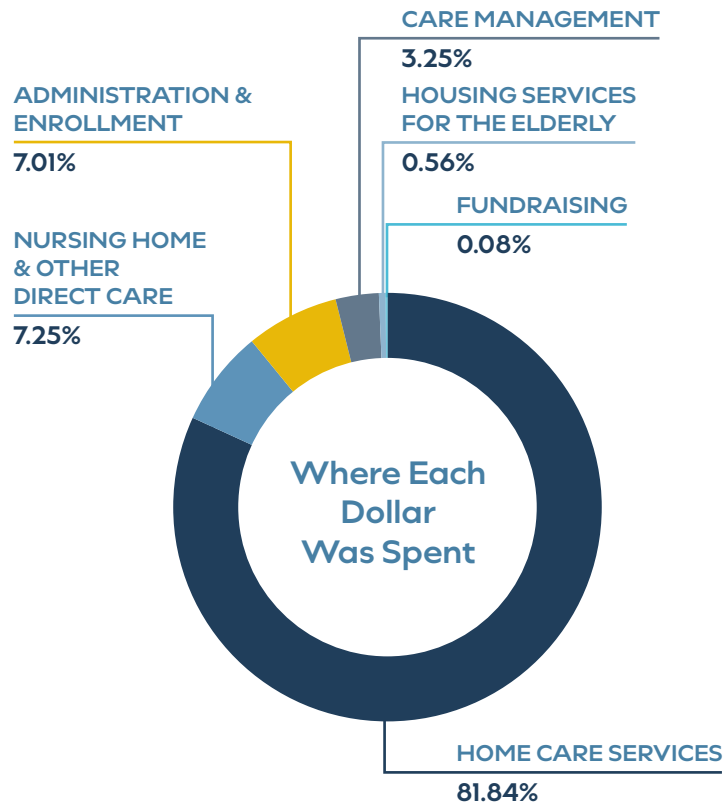
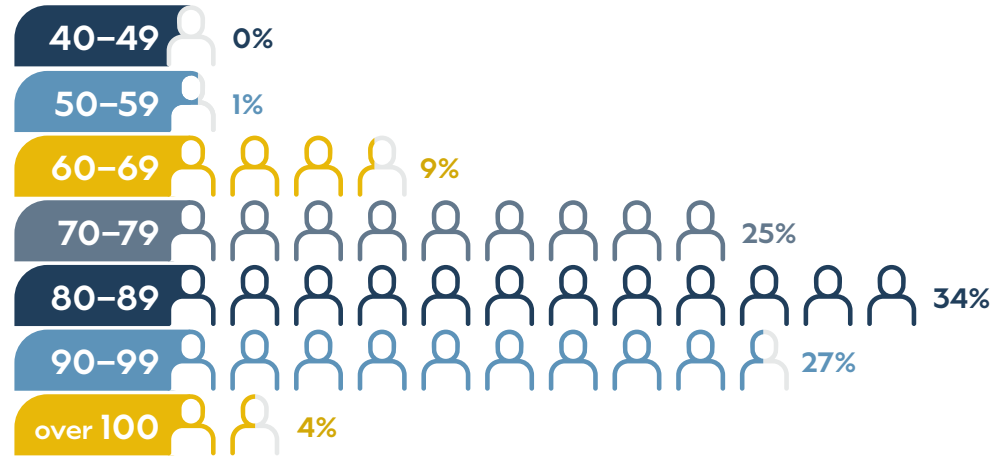
DERFNER JUDAICA MUSEUM + THE ART COLLECTION

6,306 Visitors
4 Exhibitions
45 Senior, special needs, and adult in-person tours
38 Virtual and in-person lectures and public programs
22 Art history and neighborhood programs

2025 YEAR IN NUMBERS (CONT.)

Your philanthropy makes a real difference in real lives. The average cost per day of care and resources for one long-term care community resident is \$619. The average per-day Medicaid reimbursement is \$344. Donors and friends fill that \$275 gap per resident, per day, that provides the baseline services. Additional contributed revenue supports the innovative and groundbreaking programming and research that invigorate the lives of our residents. We simply can't do it without you.

Age Range





Hauser Rehabilitation Center Opens

RiverSpring Living celebrates the ribbon cutting of the state-of-the-art **Hauser Rehabilitation Center** in collaboration with NewYork-Presbyterian. The Center was designed to transform the recovery experience, featuring cutting-edge technology and personalized care aimed at helping patients achieve better outcomes and return home sooner. The reimagined patient experience includes room

service, cooked-to-order meals, a business center, and a café serving spa-inspired cuisine.

Tremendous gratitude to Rita Hauser, whose extraordinary philanthropic support will have a lasting impact on countless older adults who come to RiverSpring Living to regain strength, confidence, and independence.



HAUSER REHABILITATION CENTER OPENS (CONT.)

The Hauser Rehabilitation Center is equipped with advanced rehabilitation technologies, including:

- Telemedicine that will be utilized to maintain a strong connection with the transferring doctors from NewYork-Presbyterian and facilitate follow-up virtual appointments with surgeons and specialists
- Robotic-assisted therapy devices to achieve strength, balance, and mobility earlier in a patient's recovery
- Advanced use of artificial intelligence, machine vision, and biofeedback in fall prevention programs, respiratory rehabilitation, and speech and swallowing recovery
- Immersive virtual reality to maximize the resident experience throughout the rehab stay and in preparation for the residents' return home
- SmartHeart™ EKG, ReDS Vest, and Vein Finder medical innovations that support industry-leading clinical pathways through advanced diagnostic and proactive care

RiverSpring Living and NewYork-Presbyterian's collaboration provides a seamless, hospital-to-rehab patient experience, including:

- NewYork-Presbyterian clinicians on campus five days a week to work side-by-side with RiverSpring's nurses and physical, occupational, and speech therapists for a personalized, holistic care team approach
- Electronic medical record integration for improved care transitions and reduced duplication of medical care and services

Bringing Comfort One Phone Call at a Time: How Meela Is Enriching the Lives of Our Residents

Moments of connection and understanding can make all the difference in life's journey.

That's why RiverSpring Living partnered with Meela to explore how an AI companion chatbot could bring comfort, conversation, and companionship to its residents.

WHAT IS MEELA?

Meela is more than just technology—it's an engaging presence designed to support emotional well-being and foster meaningful connections. By offering thoughtful conversations, Meela helps individuals who may feel lonely, anxious, or isolated—particularly seniors in care communities like RiverSpring Living. Whether chatting about memories or daily experiences or simply offering a friendly voice, Meela provides a connection that can brighten someone's day.

AN ENCOURAGING PILOT TRIAL

RiverSpring Living launched a pilot clinical trial with Meela to explore how this AI companion could improve the lives of residents. The results were powerful, revealing the positive impact of meaningful conversations and emotional support:

- Over 440 conversations occurred during the trial, with an average call duration of 10 minutes. Remarkably, 35% of participants spent more than 25 minutes in a single session, building strong connections with Meela.

- Participants experienced significant improvements in mental health, particularly in reducing anxiety and depression.
- Residents reported high satisfaction rates, demonstrating that Meela not only met their needs but also brought them comfort and companionship.

VOICES OF THE RESIDENTS: HEARTFELT EXPERIENCES

Residents shared touching stories about how Meela made a meaningful difference in their lives:

- One resident expressed that Meela "made me feel less lonely," giving them someone to turn to during difficult days.
- Another resident was grateful that Meela "helped me connect with family and friends," strengthening relationships that mean so much.

A BRIGHTER FUTURE WITH MEELA

This pilot study shows the value of leveraging technology for comfort, connection, and improved well-being. Meela's positive impact on the lives of RiverSpring Living residents highlights the power of meaningful conversations and the comfort that comes from feeling heard and understood.



Meela 

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River's Edge: Our Continuing Care Retirement Community

River's Edge continues to make great progress as we move closer to construction. In late February 2026, River's Edge obtained \$632.9 million in financing, which was one of the largest non-profit Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC) bond issuances in history. This financing will be used to fund costs for the development of 260 apartment homes, construction of amenities, capitalized interest for 39 months, debt service reserve funds for each respective series of bonds, and costs of issuance.

River's Edge apartments are in demand. Eighty-five percent of the apartments have been sold to a diverse group of older adults looking for the beauty of waterfront living, the sophistication of high-end amenities, and the warmth of friendships and connections in a community setting.

As we move closer to River's Edge opening its doors, we are excited to expand our campus offerings and provide this beautiful new home to our fellow New Yorkers!

Enhancing Workforce Stability, Diversity, and Quality of Life

Our Assisted Living Program (ALP) has undertaken a series of initiatives to strengthen workforce stability and diversity. Through these efforts, we are dedicated to expanding staff education, improving employee satisfaction, and enhancing the overall living experience for our residents.

STRENGTHENING WORKFORCE STABILITY AND DIVERSITY

We are expanding our educational and training opportunities to ensure that our staff possess the necessary skills and knowledge to deliver outstanding care. We aim to cultivate a highly skilled, compassionate, and diverse workforce by investing in the development of our employees. Additionally, we are enhancing our employee benefits further to support staff well-being, retention, and job satisfaction.

UNIT UPGRADES

As part of our commitment to improving the quality of life for residents, RiverSpring Residences has recently completed a comprehensive refresh of its ALP unit. This includes the installation of new carpeting and modern furniture throughout the entire space, greatly enhancing its aesthetic appeal and creating a more comfortable environment.

Further improvements are planned, including the installation of updated furniture in all resident rooms. These upgrades are designed to provide residents with greater comfort and promote a warm, homelike atmosphere.





ENHANCING WORKFORCE STABILITY,
DIVERSITY, AND QUALITY OF LIFE (CONT.)

EXPANDED SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS

In addition to physical enhancements, RiverSpring Residences is expanding its services to better meet the needs of our residents. This includes increasing community transportation options to ensure greater access to appointments, shopping, social outings, and more recreational programming.

The National Council On Aging funded our Steady Steps program which encourages our residents to engage in physical activity to lower their risk of falls.

Intergenerational Program

We recently hosted a wonderful eight-week intergenerational program at RiverWalk in partnership with Danny Corsun's Culinary Judaica Academy course. This program highlights core Jewish values and traditions through the experience of preparing meals together. We utilized this education series and partnered with the local SAR High School, bringing together students and our RiverWalk residents.

Throughout the program, participants had the opportunity to share stories, connect across generations, and discover commonalities in their faith and values, all while creating meaningful meals together. It truly served as a reminder that food and family can bring people together, regardless of age.

The program was very well received by both residents and students, and we plan to continue it as an annual, evolving initiative that will positively impact our broader community as well as our residents.



New Dining and Wellness Programs Enhance Life for Residents

We've launched a series of new initiatives to enrich the dining experience and overall well-being of our long-term care residents.

FRESH NEW DINING PROGRAM

Our enhanced dining program offers residents a more personalized and enjoyable mealtime experience. This program features a robust, always-available menu, allowing residents to choose from various daily meals. In addition to expanded options, we introduced a cooked-to-order process, ensuring that meals are prepared fresh and served straight from the oven. This initiative focuses on enhancing flavor and freshness while giving residents more control and satisfaction with their daily meals.

BACKYARD BARBECUES

These outdoor gatherings allow residents to enjoy the sunshine, beautiful backyard spaces, and delicious grilled fare in a relaxed social setting. They're the perfect opportunity to soak up the season, connect with friends and neighbors, and indulge in classic favorites.

"TASTEFUL SIPS" ELECTROLYTE POPSICLES

To further promote resident wellness, we launched "Tasteful Sips"—electrolyte popsicles designed to both delight and quench thirst. These delicious popsicles make a refreshing treat and help promote hydration. With a variety of flavors to choose from, they combine enjoyment with important health benefits.

We are confident that these new initiatives will contribute to a more vibrant, enjoyable, and health-conscious community.

TASTEFUL TEXTURES

Tasteful Textures is a new program designed to help meet increased caloric and protein needs using only freshly prepared foods and quality ingredients. This food-first philosophy replaces the clinical experience of consuming nutritional supplements with the real-life experience of enjoying a satiating meal.





Dining is about so much more than food—it's about dignity, connection, and care. Every meal is thoughtfully prepared to nourish not just the body but also the spirit, honoring cultural traditions and personal preferences. Mealtime is one of the highlights of our residents' day, and we take great pride in creating experiences that bring comfort, joy, and a true sense of home.

Grandparents' Day: A Celebration of Family and Fun



Grandparents' Day is a cherished tradition at RiverSpring Living, offering a heartwarming opportunity for families to gather and celebrate grandparents' vital role in their lives. This special day traces its roots back to the 1970s, when the Hebrew Home at Riverdale first established the occasion to honor and celebrate grandparents. Since then, it has grown into a fun-filled event that is eagerly anticipated by residents, their families, and friends alike.

A DAY OF EXCITING ACTIVITIES AND MEMORIES

Grandparents' Day 2025 at RiverSpring Living was a memorable experience with an array of engaging activities designed to delight guests of all ages.

On September 7, residents and their families enjoyed a day of beach games and art activities, then listened to a Beach Boys tribute band playing the iconic summer songs of the 60s. Thank you to all the staff who volunteered and made Grandparents' Day a success!

Grandparents' Day at RiverSpring Living is more than just a day of fun; it's a celebration of the wisdom, love, and guidance that grandparents provide. It serves as a heartfelt reminder of the connections that bind families together and creates opportunities for residents to enjoy meaningful moments with their loved ones.

We honor all the incredible grandparents in our community! We're so grateful to share this beautiful day with our residents and their loved ones. Here's to celebrating the wonderful grandparents who make our lives brighter every day!



Love is in the Air with a Special Visit From Golden Bachelorette Joan Vassos

Residents experienced an uplifting day of beauty, inspiration, and connection when reality TV star Joan Vassos graced us with her presence. Best known for her role on *The Golden Bachelorette*, Joan brought her charm and wisdom to our residents, talking to them about seeking love and meaningful relationships.

Residents were treated to hair and makeup services, leaving them feeling radiant and ready for the day's festivities. Stylists worked their magic, adding a touch of glamour to the excited participants, who were eager to meet Joan.

Following the beauty treatments, Joan took center stage, captivating her audience with an engaging and heartfelt talk. Drawing from her own experiences as a reality TV star navigating the dating world, she shared valuable insights on embracing vulnerability, building confidence, and seeking companionship at any stage in life. Her encouraging words resonated with many residents, sparking conversations and inspiring hopeful hearts.

The day concluded with a lively social event where residents mingled, laughed, and danced the afternoon away. Joan joined in the fun, chatting with residents, sharing stories, and encouraging connections to flourish. The mixer provided the perfect setting for residents to bond over shared experiences of past and, possibly, future love.

Love has no age limit! ABC Golden Bachelorette Joan Vassos visited campus to share her inspiring journey of finding love later in life. She reminded us that it's never too late to open your heart and embrace new connections.



RiverSpring Living Makes History in the CaringKind Walk—the Alzheimer's Walk

Moments of connection and understanding can make all the difference in life's journey.



RiverSpring Living broke new ground this year by organizing one of the most impactful events in its history. A record-breaking number of people participated in the CaringKind Walk, widely known as The Alzheimer's Walk. With over 1,000 residents, staff, loved ones, volunteers, and visitors coming together both on and off campus, this year's event was a powerful testament to compassion, community, and commitment to those affected by Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

HONORING THE PAST, WALKING FOR THE FUTURE

The CaringKind Walk holds deep meaning for many in the RiverSpring Living family. Residents and staff alike shared personal reasons for participating—remembering spouses, parents, and friends impacted by cognitive decline. Volunteers and staff helped coordinate logistics and encourage walkers, while visitors joined to show their support for the mission.

The day also featured music, refreshments, reflection stations, and memory boards, creating an inclusive and welcoming atmosphere for people of all ages and abilities. The unity was palpable, reminding everyone that no one walks this path alone.

Together, we walk. Together, we remember. Together, we hope.

Electrifying “Hot Stove” Baseball Event

Baseball fever was in full swing at RiverSpring Living as over 100 residents gathered for an unforgettable “Hot Stove” baseball event featuring some of the most iconic voices in sports broadcasting—New York Yankees broadcasters Suzyn Waldman and Dave Sims and Boston Red Sox broadcasters Joe Castiglione and Will Flemming—for a lively and entertaining session filled with nostalgic baseball stories and memorable banter.

Residents had a unique opportunity to engage with these renowned broadcasters, who recalled iconic games, legendary players, and unforgettable broadcasting memories. The engaging dialogue showcased the long-standing rivalry between the Yankees and the Red Sox, all presented with warmth, humor, and mutual respect.

Adding to the excitement, the entire event was recorded and later broadcast on WFAN, allowing listeners beyond RiverSpring Living to experience the magic of the day. No baseball event is complete without classic ballpark treats, and RiverSpring Living didn't disappoint. Guests enjoyed an array of baseball-themed foods, from hot dogs and pretzels to popcorn, Cracker Jack, and ice cream, creating a true stadium-like atmosphere.



Making Connections

Connections is the name of the comprehensive Memory Care Program at RiverSpring Living.



TOP: Residents and their loved ones enjoyed a wonderful trip to the Museum of Arts and Design. They were treated to a private tour of the current exhibits, offering a unique and intimate experience with the art on display.

BOTTOM: Our residents enjoyed a special tour of Yankee Stadium, unlocking fond memories of the players they rooted for when they were young. The experience brought baseball's rich history to life.



By blending social engagement, mental stimulation, and emotional connection, these cultural field trips enrich the lives of our residents and reinforce the therapeutic power of meaningful experiences.

MAKING CONNECTIONS (CONT.)

We are taking innovative strides in supporting residents by organizing enriching field trips to some of New York City's most iconic cultural landmarks. These thoughtfully curated outings stimulate cognitive engagement, foster social interaction, and provide joy for those with memory issues.

At the **Museum of Arts and Design**, participants explored visually engaging exhibits filled with color, texture, and storytelling. Artistic expression has been shown to provide cognitive stimulation for individuals with dementia, often triggering memories and emotions that are otherwise difficult to access. The museum staff ensured that the experience was sensory-friendly and catered to the unique needs of RiverSpring Living's residents. Special thanks to Michele Cohen, RiverSpring Living board member and Museum of Art and Design board chair, for organizing.

The serene pathways of the **New York Botanical Gardens** in the Bronx provided a tranquil yet stimulating setting for the residents. Immersed in nature's beauty, participants engaged with familiar floral scents, vibrant blooms, and the peaceful ambiance of the gardens. Nature therapy has long been recognized as beneficial for individuals with dementia, encouraging relaxation and improved mood.

The New York Botanical Garden was the perfect setting for residents to reconnect with familiar experiences, reigniting their senses and creating meaningful, joyful moments.

A special behind-the-scenes tour of **Yankee Stadium** brought a wave of nostalgia and excitement. For many residents, memories of cheering on the Yankees during past seasons resurfaced, creating connections to personal histories and reinforcing a sense of identity. Familiar spaces like a baseball stadium can evoke strong memories, helping residents feel grounded and connected to meaningful life experiences.

RiverSpring Living's commitment to enhancing the well-being of its residents through these excursions reflects a progressive approach to memory care.



Golden Dreams

In 2025, RiverSpring Living launched the Golden Dreams initiative. Through this special program, we help make lifelong wishes come true for our residents. We found that many of our residents were so focused on raising their families and making ends meet that they did not have the opportunity to fulfill their own dreams. Now that they are retired and in their 80s, 90s, and 100s, they finally have time to focus on themselves. That's where we come in—finding out what they missed out on and making their dreams come true.

Our first Golden Dream was granted to RiverWalk resident Jacqueline Kimmelstiel, a 97-year-old Holocaust survivor who only went to school until age 12 because of the war. Her lifelong dream was to have a college education, so we partnered with the University of Mount Saint Vincent and gave Jacqueline an afternoon college experience, which included poetry and literature lessons with two professors and a basketball scrimmage. The day culminated with an honorary certificate from the university president and provost, dressed in full regalia. When we told Jacqueline she would be going to college, she told us that she always wanted to be someone, and now she feels she is.





Our latest Golden Dream was fulfilled for ALR resident Carol, who always wanted to experience the exhilaration of skydiving. Carol's dream came true when she went skydiving at iFly Skydiving.

GOLDEN DREAMS (CONT.)

Our second Golden Dream was for Hebrew Home at Riverdale resident Shirley Johnson, an 85-year-old who dreamed of dancing again. Dance was a big part of her life in her younger days, as she loved to dance with her husband to the tunes of Johnny Mathis and Nat King Cole. When her leg was amputated, she lost the confidence and desire to dance. Once she was outfitted with a new prosthetic leg, we arranged for a ballroom dance lesson at the Arthur Murray dance studio in Westchester. Shirley was dancing on cloud nine for this very special experience.

These Golden Dreams bring light, laughter, and a renewed sense of purpose to our residents and staff. These moments aren't just experiences—they are affirmations of life, dignity, and connection. They show us that no matter our age or circumstance, there's always something to look forward to and something to feel deeply about. We believe that people do not stop dreaming just because they have grown older. The Golden Dreams program reminds us that dignity is not only about comfort and safety—it is also about honoring identity, personal history, and possibility.

TO LEARN MORE, please watch this video about Golden Dreams:
<https://www.riverspringliving.org/the-riverspring-difference/>

Selected Program Highlights from the Derfner Judaica Museum + Art Collection



Residents experiment with collage as part of a program with Arts & Minds on November 19.

ARTS & MINDS

The Museum was the setting for two series of multi-session conversations on art and artmaking workshops with participants from RiverSpring Assisted Living and Hebrew Home Memory Care. The programs focused on inspiration from the Museum's exhibitions and were led by a teaching artist from Arts & Minds, one of the preeminent organizations in the field, providing meaningful art-centered programs for adults with memory loss, Alzheimer's, or dementia and their care partners. Arts & Minds programs are designed to provide positive emotional

and cognitive experiences, enhance verbal and non-verbal communication, reduce isolation, and build community.

ART EDUCATION FOR HOPE STUDENTS

Museum Educator Elana Kaplan provided programs and hands-on artmaking workshops to students in RiverSpring Living's Healthcare Offers Permanent Employment (HOPE) program throughout the year. This program, established in 1992, provides specialized vocational training and employment opportunities to special education students in the Bronx. Our workshops give students distinct opportunities to learn about the art on view in our exhibitions and to try their hand at expressing themselves in a variety of media, including collage, tempera painting, oil pastels, and watercolor pencils.

SITE: YIZKOR WORKSHOP

In June, Bronx artist Maya Ciarrocchi led a participatory visual and literary arts workshop attended by members of the RiverSpring Living community and the general public. Attendees of all ages were invited to reflect on the vanished places in their lives through drawing, writing, storytelling, and bookmaking.

The program was presented in collaboration with Bronx River Art Center and was made possible with the support of the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs in partnership with the City Council and council member Eric Dinowitz.

SELECTED PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DERFNER JUDAICA MUSEUM + ART COLLECTION (CONT.)

PRIDE MONTH

The Museum marked pride month with a talk presented in person and on Zoom, focusing on the career of sculptor Stuart Edelson. Edelson was an artist, LGBTQ+ activist, novelist, playwright, and world traveler who died from AIDS in 1995. His sculpture *Memory Object* (1972) was on exhibit for the first time since being conserved with a grant from the Greater Hudson Heritage Network.

THE MUSEUM AND DOROT

Our ongoing partnership with DOROT's Lasting Impressions program allowed us to bring our exhibitions and collections to hundreds of older adults online throughout the year at no cost. Museum staff presented four talks on Zoom that brought our programs to audiences who were unable to visit in person. We share DOROT's goals of combating social isolation and empowering older adults.

CLAY BARR TORAH POINTERS

In the fall, coinciding with the Jewish holidays, we exhibited 15 uniquely designed Torah pointers generously lent by the Barr collection, formed by Virginia resident Clay H. Barr, who began collecting Torah pointers nearly three decades ago in memory of her late husband, Jay D.A. Barr.

The beautifully crafted contemporary yads were particularly inventive. They ranged from the art deco-inspired gold-plated Metropolis Torah pointer by French designer Richard Lauret to a unique multilayered and boldly colored red resin, copper, and silver pointer and stand by Jennifer Banks, who studied jewelry and metal arts at California College of Arts and Crafts. There were also examples by 20th century masters Ludwig Wolpert and Bernard Bernstein.

DERFNER JUDAICA MUSEUM

+ Art Collection

The Museum + Art Collections programs are supported by the Derfner Foundation under the transformative leadership of trustee Jay Lieberman and, in part, by public funds from the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs in partnership with the City Council, the Bronx Council on the Arts, and other generous donations.

2025 EXHIBITIONS

Leonard Nones: Portraits of Resilience
February 2–March 30, 2025

Nature's Persistence: Recent Work by Shelley Haven
February 25–June 30, 2025

Modern and Contemporary Torah Pointers on Loan from the Barr Foundation
September 22–December 18, 2025

Fantastical Realities: Sandra Caplan, Maya Ciarrocchi, and Ray Ciarrocchi
September 7, 2025–January 11, 2026



Attendees of all ages view artwork at the exhibition opening reception for *Nature's Persistence: Recent Work by Shelley Haven* on May 4.

Weinberg Center for Elder Justice

Case Study

Ms. H. lived in her Brooklyn home with her adult son for over 20 years. In August 2025, when Ms. H. confronted her son about stealing cash from her, he assaulted her with a hot plate, causing serious injuries, and held her captive in the home for a week. When her son eventually left the home, Ms. H. escaped to her local police precinct and was transported to the hospital, where she was treated for extensive bruising and a fractured clavicle. She was admitted to the Weinberg Center for Elder Justice Safe Haven Program directly from the hospital.

During her stay at the Weinberg Center, Ms. H. received intensive, trauma-informed services, including ongoing supportive counseling, financial management, benefits coordination, and execution of advance directives. Our legal team persistently advocated with law enforcement and the district attorney's office, leading to the arrest of Ms. H.'s son on felony assault

charges. Weinberg Center social workers accompanied Ms. H. to provide advocacy and emotional support as she testified before a grand jury. The court granted Ms. H. a full order of protection, the tool she needed to feel safe returning home.

The Weinberg Center coordinated a comprehensive discharge plan for Ms. H., connecting her directly with community-based case management and therapeutic services in her neighborhood. Her assigned social worker accompanied her home with a police escort and arranged for a lock change and security cameras. Today, Ms. H. is back in her home—safe, healthy, and thriving.

In her own words, "Because of all the people who helped me, I feel healthy now so I can go home. [Being here] changed my life and it's a happy life."

WEINBERG CENTER HIGHLIGHTS OF 2025

Safe, temporary housing and intensive support services through our Safe Haven Program for

32

older adults experiencing mistreatment

Comprehensive, multidisciplinary consultations and brief direct services through our Elder Justice Helpline for professionals for

110

complex cases of elder mistreatment throughout the New York area

Screening for risk and incidence of elder mistreatment for

399

older adults receiving rehabilitation services on our Hebrew Home campus

Training on a wide variety of elder justice issues for

964

professionals including doctors, lawyers, social workers, elected officials, and faith leaders

Education on scam prevention, advance planning, and other elder justice issues for

466

older adults

108th Anniversary Gala and Golf Classic

108TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

It was a truly special evening as we honored Daniel A. Reingold at Pier Sixty at Chelsea Piers on October 26! For over 35 years, Dan served as president and CEO of RiverSpring Living, guiding it with vision, compassion, and an unrelenting commitment to the dignity and well-being of older adults. It was a privilege to honor his leadership and unwavering dedication.

It was an unforgettable evening filled with love, gratitude, and inspiration. Many thanks to all who supported the 108th Anniversary Gala, whether there in person or in spirit.

RIVERSPRING LIVING GOLF CLASSIC

The RiverSpring Living Golf Classic, held on June 16 at the picturesque Scarsdale Golf Club, was a smashing success. The event almost immediately sold out, drawing enthusiastic participants who enjoyed a day of competition and camaraderie under perfect weather conditions.

On the golf course, the winning foursome consisted of Michael Carpenito, Al Milano, Steve Cohen, and Vinny Ruta, whose impressive teamwork earned them the top spot.

RiverSpring Living extends heartfelt gratitude to board member James Shifren for being our sponsor at Scarsdale Golf Club.



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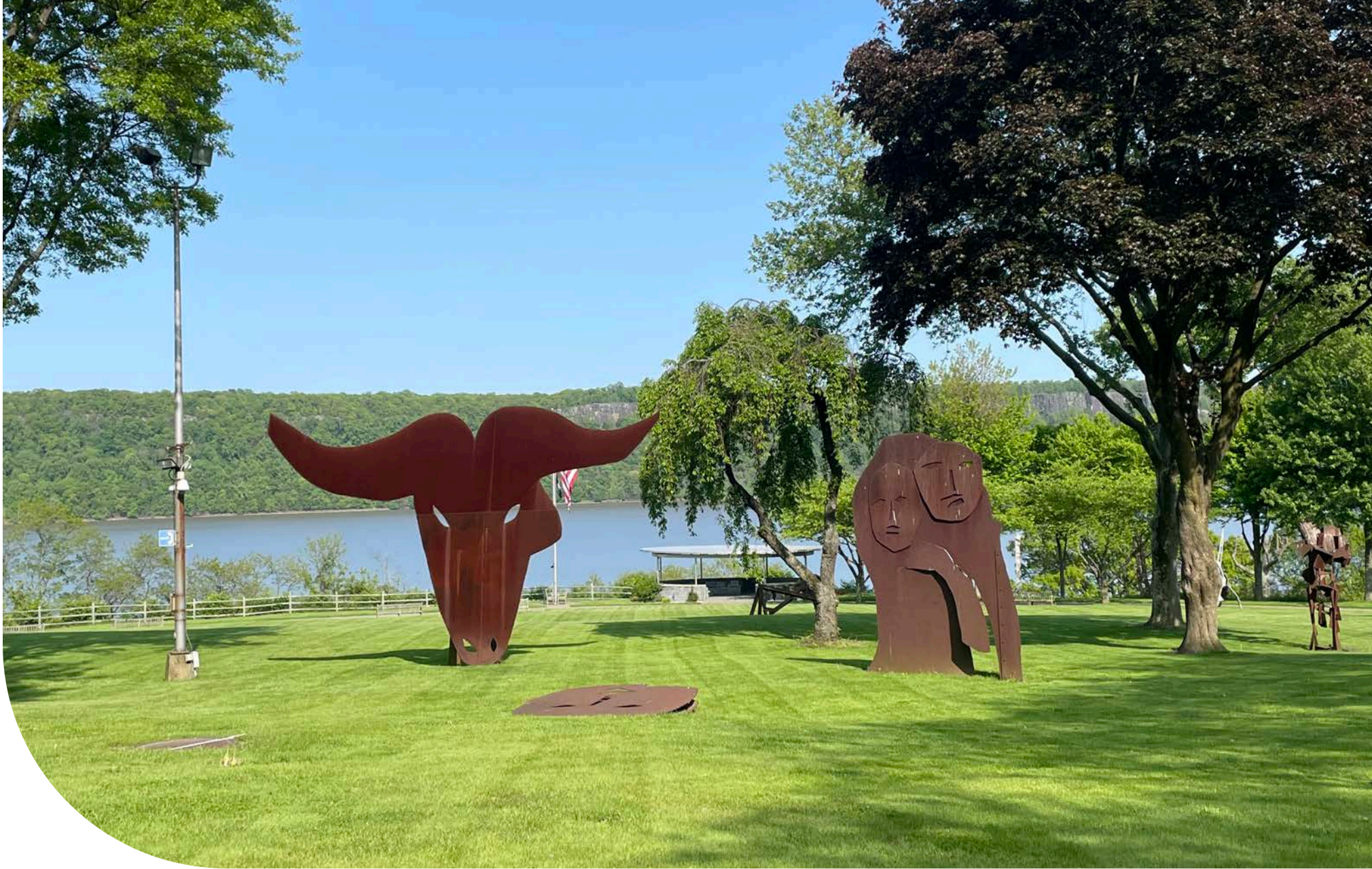
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