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Hello PAMELA,

Because of your generosity, individuals and families across Queens are accessing critical services and life-enriching programs that help them move forward with strength and stability. While not everyone whose life you've touched can thank you personally, we're honored to share a few stories that reflect the very real difference you make each day.

**MEET DINA**

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"When my mom, Gail, was diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment, my sister and I wanted to make sure she still had purpose and connection in her days. We were looking for something that would keep her engaged and active, while also giving us peace of mind knowing she was in good hands.

In 2023, we found Queens Community House's Social Adult Day Services program. From the moment we learned about it, it felt like the right fit. The staff were so warm and genuine, and



were so warm and genuine, and we could tell how much they cared about each person there. It wasn't just a place for older adults to spend the day — it was a place where people could thrive.



Since joining, my mom has been happier, more social, and has something to look forward to whenever she goes to the Center. She often tells me about the activities she's done — the art projects, the music, the conversations — and about the friends she's made. There's a lightness in her voice when she talks about it. I can see how much being part of this community has lifted her spirits and given her a renewed sense of independence.

For me, it's been such a relief knowing that she's getting mental stimulation every day — that her mind is being engaged, not just her time being filled. As a caregiver, you carry so much worry; you want your loved one to be safe, cared for, and treated with respect. Knowing that my mom is surrounded by people who support and understand her gives me such comfort. The staff don't just provide care; they create joy, consistency, and connection.

I'm so grateful for the team at QCH. They've given my mom a community where she's valued and seen, and they've given our family a sense of calm and

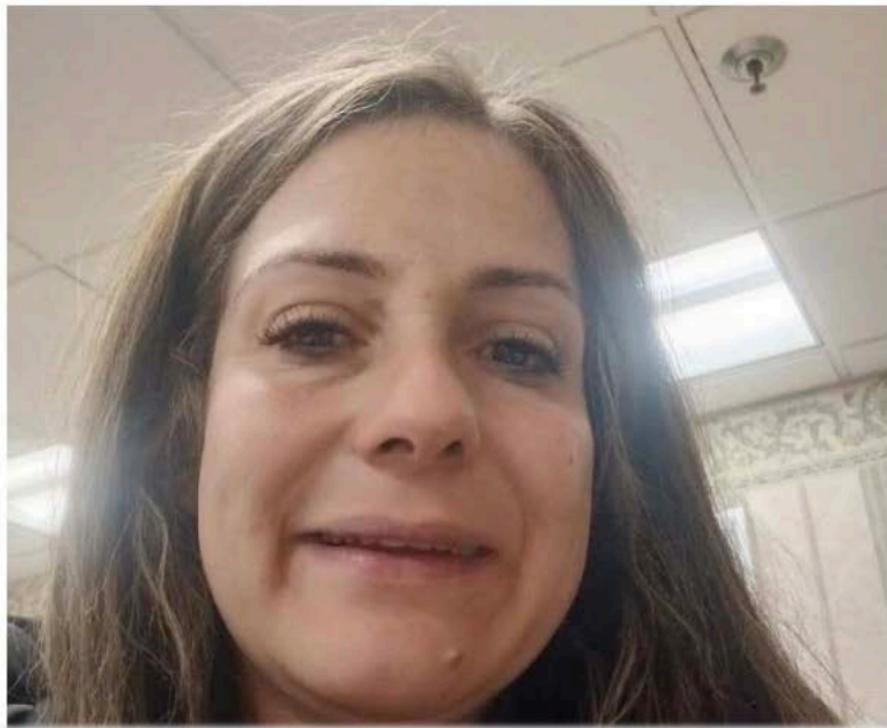
supported my mom — it's supported all of us."

—Dina

## MEET JOY

"I first learned about Queens Community House through my sister at a moment when my life felt like it was collapsing. I was behind on rent, facing eviction, and unsure where to turn. Desperate for support, I reached out to QCH and was immediately connected with Christopher Gonzalez and Marisol Moore, who became unwavering pillars of support.

Christopher checked in with me regularly, offering guidance and



regularly, offering guidance and reassurance during an incredibly stressful time. Marisol advocated for me from the very beginning, staying by my side through every step of the process. Their persistence and compassion ultimately helped me avoid eviction and keep my home.



One moment that stands out to me was the day I went to housing court and the judge recommended that I go directly to the Forest Hills Community Center for housing support. I went there right after my court appointment and met Marisol, who immediately threw herself into the mix and began helping me navigate next steps. From that point on, I did not feel alone.

Reflecting on the experience, I can honestly say that a huge weight was lifted off my shoulders.

Life after receiving support feels more stable and hopeful. With my housing secure, I can finally breathe again. Beyond addressing my immediate housing crisis, QCH gave me motivation to do better and move forward with more confidence.

I am deeply grateful to QCH, and especially to Christopher and Marisol, whom I consider remarkable individuals who consistently go above and beyond. I have already recommended QCH to a friend and will continue to refer anyone who needs help.

I would not call it advice, but rather a recommendation. Anyone who is struggling with anything, from finances to food to housing, I definitely recommend QCH. Their support truly made all the difference."

**—Joy**

We hope you see your compassion reflected in these stories. Your commitment to your neighbors fuels this work and makes it possible. Thank you for standing with us and helping to build a stronger, more connected Queens for all.

With gratitude,

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**P.S.** - Every gift, at any level, strengthens this work. We're grateful for your ongoing partnership and for the difference you make across Queens.

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