

NEW HORIZONS



YOU HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE

We couldn't have done it without you!

In early 2019, New Horizons launched Sunshine Wheels in order to meet a significant need. Individuals with physical disabilities were continuously missing important medical appointments including dialysis treatments because of transportation issues. **Your support allowed New Horizons to create a solution to this significant problem.** For the past year, Sunshine Wheels has been providing reliable medical transportation to the state's most vulnerable citizens. As we celebrate the one year anniversary of this new venture, we are reminded of all of the wonderful donors that made Sunshine Wheels possible. Thank you for believing in New Horizons from the start. You have made a difference and we are truly grateful!

IN THE BEGINNING

Last year, New Horizons was selected for a very competitive Social Enterprise Accelerator Program that was led by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. This innovative program gave us the opportunity to work closely with Mike Oxman from No Margin, No Mission. With Mike's help, New Horizons created a business plan and launched our new venture called **Sunshine Wheels** in a very short time period. The success of the program would not have been possible without your support. You helped fund the start up costs for this critical initiative. **Because of your gift**, individuals with disabilities now have reliable transportation to medical appointments.



THE PANDEMIC

Sunshine Wheels continues to provide wheelchair accessible transportation during the current pandemic. Our clients have been able to receive critical medical care and dialysis treatments during the COVID-19 crisis. Every ride supports the mission of New Horizons.

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“The quality of the transportation experience for our residents has increased tremendously since switching to Sunshine Wheels!” - Administrator of Avon Health Center



SUNSHINE WHEELS

By The Numbers



TRIPS

Over 2,800 trips have been provided in the last year!

CLIENTS

Sunshine Wheels serves 9 different living facilities.

VEHICLES

We have a fleet of 10 wheelchair accessible vans and 1 sedan.

CLIENT FEEDBACK

Dependable, Reliable, Friendly, On-Time

“Sunshine Wheels has been the best transportation ever! I arrive to all my doctor appointments on time, safe, and the drivers are very professional. I never miss a doctor appointment anymore since Sunshine Wheels has taken over my appointment rides. Because of Sunshine Wheels, I have less stress – you have made my life much easier.” - Passenger



OUR TIMELINE

IT HAS BEEN A BIG YEAR FOR SUNSHINE WHEELS.

*These milestones would not have been possible without **YOUR** support and encouragement!*



APRIL 2019

Launched a pilot program at Cherry Brook Health Care Center in Canton.



MAY 2019

Completed our business plan and launched a new website.



JUNE 2019

Started promoting Sunshine Wheels through various news sources.



JULY 2019

Began providing medical transportation to the residents of New Horizons Village in Unionville.



OCTOBER 2019

Obtained our livery permit and expanded to other living facilities.



APRIL 2020

Celebrated our one year anniversary. Sunshine Wheels continues to provide transportation during the pandemic.

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS!

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