



**ANGELS
UNAWARE, INC.**
Residential Care for the Developmentally Disabled.

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NEW GROUP HOME NOW OPEN!

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Angels #2 new group home is now open!

Thank you to The HALO Foundation, Florida Home Partnership, The Hillsborough County Office of Affordable Housing and Ross O'Banion for all their hard work to make this new group home a reality.

This three-bedroom house was designed for 6 non-ambulatory consumers, which is something that Angels Unaware, Inc. desperately needed. It is wheelchair accessible and is ADA compliant. It was built with the latest technology and is Green Certified. It is now home to six adult men, semi-ambulatory and non-ambulatory.

On August 9, an "open house" was hosted and refreshments were served. Visitors were able to tour the new facility and enjoy the beautiful view of Strawberry Lake. We had to dodge a few rain drops but the view from the back porch was amazing.



Mission Statement

Angels Unaware, Inc. is a non-profit corporation operating in Hillsborough County, whose express goal is to provide quality professional residential group-home care and supported living services for severe and profound developmentally disabled individuals. We currently own and operate eight homes serving forty nine handicapped residents. Each home is highly specialized to serve the individual needs of its residents. Current training utilizes a behavioral management approach designed to meet the needs of each individual. A board of directors, made up of parents and concerned citizens from the community, governs the corporation.

A copy of Angels Unaware's official registration and financial information may be obtained from the division of consumer services by calling toll-free 1-800-435-7352 (refer to CH8732). Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state.

A Word From Ross

From the Desk of Ross O'Banion, Executive Director

Recently, I was asked the question, "What can I do to help Angels Unaware, Inc., and what kind of "things" do you use in your homes?" As this seems to be a common question, I thought it warranted some time and space in our newsletter to answer and perhaps even give a recent example. So here goes. As most of our readers know, we own and operate 8 homes in the Tampa Bay area and a Supported Living program with 5 people with developmental disabilities in their own home (apartment). Does the funding supplied by the state pay for their total care? **Absolutely, positively not**, and has not for over 8 years due to continued reductions, cuts in funding, and inflation that is ignored.

So what do we use in a group home or supported living. Everything and anything that you would use in your own home.....linens (single sheets, blankets, new pillows, pillow cases, single comforters, single bed spreads, towels, wash clothes, etc.), plates, cups, flat wear, new pots and pans (stainless steel only). Pictures, posters, and objects that can be used in the common areas to decorate the homes (please no glass). Consumers that live in the homes decorate their own rooms as they choose. We can use food. We have 50 people to feed daily and every one of them loves to eat. Everyone has a birthday every year so that is 50 birthday cakes and birthday gifts. At Christmas there are 50 people that expect gifts. At Thanksgiving we need turkey, dressing, pumpkin and pecan pies, just like in your home. We have homes that are inspected monthly inside and out, so painting and repairs are a constant ongoing effort that we spend thousands of dollars on each year to keep them in top condition. Appliances are always pushed to their limits and are in constant need of repairs. For example, our washing machines do 6 to 10 loads each and every day where the average house hold does 6 to 10 loads a week. Imagine the laundry detergent bill alone. Our vehicles transport the consumers to doctor appointments, day programs, church, social events and outings in the community. The fuel bill alone is about \$3000.00 per month, then add repairs and maintenance to that figure. So want to know where you can help? Take your pick of any of the areas mentioned above.

Examples abound"

Recently, on September 24th **Van Dyke Church** started painting two of our homes on the outside. Angels #1 and Angels #5. Because of the weather they did not get done. But **Cornerstone Painting, Inc.** came to Angels #5 'rescue' and completed the job at that home. It looks beautiful thanks Van Dyke Church and a special thanks to William 'Bill' Seese with Cornerstone Painting.

Am Vets Post of Tampa has been donating food supplies to Angels Unaware, Inc. for many months and has been a great help to us. One of their members owns a roofing company and recently replaced a roof at Angels # 9 at cost.

Tampa Bay Newcomers Inc. – recently donated funds to purchase 2 shower chairs for our new A2 home and also an electric bed for one of the consumers in the home.

Several Families and businesses have been helping for years at Christmas by sponsoring a consumer's Christmas each year.

First Baptist Church – Ruth Circle Sunday School Class has been donating each month for years to help with birthdays and other needs in our Angels #7 home.

And the list goes on and on. So how can you, your club, or church, help? What does Angels Unaware, Inc. need and use? I hope these and other questions are now answered. We would as always like to thank our donors for their unselfish support over the years. Because of the generosity of people and businesses and churches mentioned above we are able to continue to serve the developmentally disabled of the Tampa Bay area and their families.

Thank you for your support!

Angels Auxiliary

These organizations and individuals proudly support Angels Unaware.
God Bless our Donors.

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Clifford and Cynthia Heir in Memory of Jane Heir
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Ist Baptist Church in Memory of Tony Pupello
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12th Annual CHARITY Piping Industry Golf Outing to benefit Angels Unaware, Inc. Saturday, November 8, 2014 @ The Eagles Golf Club

This event is sponsored by The United Association of Plumbers & Pipefitters,
HVAC & Refrigeration Mechanics Local Union 123, and the
Mechanical Contractors Association of Central Florida's Charity Foundation.



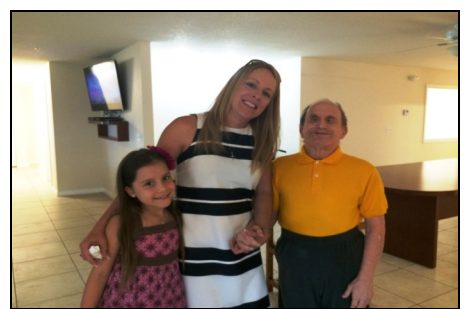
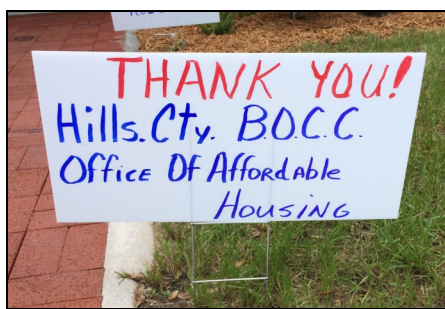
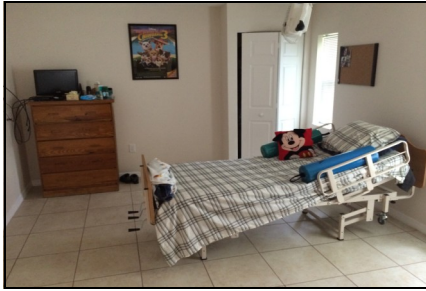
THE EAGLES
It feels like a private club

We want to thank The United Association of Plumbers & Pipefitters, HVAC & Refrigeration Mechanics Local Union 123, and the Mechanical Contractors Association of Central Florida's for hosting this event every year. This has always been an important fundraiser for Angels Unaware and we hope that you can participate. There are spots open to play and there are still sponsorships available. [Click here to download the brochure](#) or you can call (813) 636-0123 .

Thank you for your support!

Angels #2 Open House

New Group Home opened July, 2014



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RATLIFF


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AND THEIR "ANGEL"
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2013

WELCOME HOME!
FORD, MALENA
NINA & HALEY SMITH

Many thanks to Van Dyke Church and Conerstone Painting for patch work and painting at Angels #5 and Angels # 1.



Letter from the President

My name is Richard Tatum and I am the current president of the Board of Directors at Angels Unaware, Inc. My brother Steven has been a member of the Angels family for about 35 years, and lives at Angels 1.

Consumers living at Angels 2 have moved into their next beautiful home. On August 9, an "open house" was hosted with refreshments served. Those involved enjoyed showing visitors around the well designed spacious home. We cannot thank enough the people involved in the planning and enabling this home to be built.

Parents, siblings, friends or simply anyone who cares about Angels Unaware, **we badly need board members**. We meet one night each month at the corporate headquarters on Linebaugh. If this interests you, please call our office.

Thank you - Richard Tatum

Angels Unaware needs your help!

Please check with your Tax Advisor and consider a donation to Angels Unaware, Inc. and the Developmentally Disabled we serve. Donations to Angels Unaware are eligible for tax exemption consideration and benefit subject to current tax laws. Our regular donors are reminded that donations must be post-marked by December 31, 2014 in order to be credited to the 2014 tax year.

H.A.L.O. Update

The H.A.L.O. Foundation supports Angels Unaware, Inc.

New Group Home is finally open!

The Great Mother's Day and Great Father's Day races were held in May and June. Looking forward to next year's races.

The H.A.L.O. Foundation
c/o Angels Unaware
P.O. Box 270040
Tampa, Florida 33688-0040
www.halo-foundation.com

2014 H.A.L.O. Board Members

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Secretary - Ford Smith
Treasurer - Mike Sweeney

Scholarship Fund

If you have been a reader of our newsletter or a supporter of Angels Unaware, Inc. for any length of time, you are aware that we have a growing number of consumers that no longer have immediate family or relatives alive, or active in their lives due to age or illness. Angels Unaware has established a fund within our organization that helps those consumers without families. Throughout the year we use this fund to help our consumers have and enjoy the same things that others in the group home enjoy. These funds support their birthdays, holidays, vacations, trips to the movies, restaurants, and amusement parks.

We do utilize this fund throughout the year but due to the Christmas holidays, our greatest need is towards the end of the year. Perhaps you and your family may consider donating directly to the Scholarship Fund or consider providing Christmas for one of our consumers that no longer has any family alive or active in their life. Please [click here](#) to learn more or donate to this fund. As always, our guarantee to you is that of every dollar you provide to this fund will be spent directly on the needs of the consumers that we serve.



**Angels Unaware
is looking for
new board
members.**

**Please contact
our office for
more
information.**

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Please visit our web site at
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Thank you HALO Board Member Ford Smith and RJ Heubert and Claire Selius for organizing The Great Mother's Day Race and The Great Father's Day Race to benefit The HALO Foundation. They were well attended and raised over \$4,000.00.



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Bay News 9 coverage.

We are looking forward to next year's races. Thanks to all that participated!



Angels Unaware, Inc has several vacancies.
[Click here](#) for more information.