HORIZON HAPPENINGS MAY 2025



Winsday

Day Spring was honored to take part in the very first *Winsday* at Churchill Downs—a day dedicated to supporting Louisville's nonprofits during Derby Week and a chance for people's ticket purchase to give back to causes they love. John, our resident Derby and horse racing expert spent the day at the track on Winsday and was truly in his element! Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets through Day Spring—we hope you had as much fun as we did!



Blueprint 502

We were lucky to welcome a group of volunteers from <u>Blueprint 502</u> (Formerly YouthBuild)to campus! They tackled a handful of landscaping and maintenance projects. Thanks to their hard work and great attitudes, our campus is looking better than ever! Blueprint 502 is an incredible education, job training, and leadership program serving low-income youth while building community-minded leaders and a more educated workforce for Louisville.



Madison's Graduation

Transform

We're thrilled to celebrate Madison, the first female graduate of our College for Living program and our third graduate overall! Her graduation ceremony was a beautiful testimony to who she is—Madison proudly displayed a gallery of her artwork, showcasing her creativity and unique perspective. She even received a surprise visit from Baxter, her favorite pup from Pet Station where she works. We couldn't be prouder of Madison and all she's accomplished. We know she'll continue to do amazing things as she steps into this next chapter of independence!

This week we wrapped up another great quarterly staff development session with Jon and Crystal at Transform. We dug into topics like effective coaching, learning to delegate, developing metrics to enact change, leadership styles, and thought management. But don't worry—it wasn't all serious! We had a blast with some office chair races, a brand-new game called "Tick, Tack, Toast", and a good old fashioned cookout! We're grateful for a team that's always growing, learning, and having a little fun along the way!

Transform

Learn More About CFL



Lunch & Learn

We welcomed local political leaders Chris Lewis for



IBEW Bingo Night

This month residents enjoyed a special BINGO night

<u>State Representative, Representative Al Gentry</u>, and <u>Councilwoman Josie Raymond</u> for a special Lunch & Learn tour of Day Spring! We're always excited to introduce our community leaders to the incredible people and causes their work supports!



Opening at AR

We're announcing a rare opening at our Audubon Ridge home—a warm, supportive, and fully staffed residence for three male adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We are currently accepting referrals for a male individual seeking a Residential Level 1 placement under the Supports for Community Living (SCL) waiver. This is a unique opportunity to join a thriving, community-based home where individuals are supported in living full, independent lives. Please email info@dayspringky.org for more information. thanks to the incredible women of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Women's Coalition! They volunteered their time to host a funfilled evening for our residents—bringing along some amazing prizes that were a huge hit.



Announcing Chief Advancement Officer

We're excited to announce the promotion of Shelby Hayes to Chief Advancement Officer. In her new role, Shelby will advance the mission and impact of Day Spring by elevating donor relations and fundraising efforts within the Day Spring Foundation. Shelby will also drive strategic growth plans for the College for Living and oversee its program success. Shelby joined Day Spring in 2022 and has held the previous roles of CFL Program Manager and Director of Development at Day Spring.



THE CRALLE FOUNDATION

We're so grateful to The Cralle Foundation for their generous donation of \$7,500 towards general operating supports.

Upcoming Events



SEE OUR CAMPUS & OUR MISSION IN ACTION!

Lunch & Learn

Want to learn more about Day Spring? Join us on **July 16th** from **12:00-1:00pm** to visit Day Spring's campus and witness all the services we provide and how you can get involved.

To RSVP email us at info@dayspringky.org



Give for Good

Save the date for Give for Good Louisville's largest, online giving day of the year on **Thursday, September 18th.**

This is a great way for organizations like ours to gain exposure and bring in new community connections. Please share with your friends and loved ones!



Golf Classic

Save the date for the 14th Annual Day Spring Golf Classic!

Monday, October 13th, 2025

Wildwood Country Club

More info coming soon!





Patricia

Patricia has called Day Spring home for nearly two decades, and her vibrant personality lights up our Homes residence every single day! She's known around here as our *karaoke queen*—and trust us, she'd sing karaoke 24/7 if we let her! Whether it's belting out 80's hits from Madonna, Michael Jackson, or Salt-N-Pepa, she's always ready to put on a show.

She is also our resident social butterfly. She loves

spending time with friends, chatting with staff, and bringing joy wherever she goes.

Patricia's upbeat spirit doesn't stop there. She's a big fan of *The Golden Girls* and rarely misses a chance to catch an episode. She's also a Mickey Mouse superfan and always looks forward to her regular phone calls with her beloved brother, Tom!

When she's not performing or socializing, you can find her at Down Syndrome of Louisville or dancing her heart out during campus dance classes. Patricia's spunky, friendly spirit makes every day brighter, and we're so grateful to have her in the Day Spring family.



See you next month!



Day Spring provides a path forward for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities through services that cultivate hope, belonging, and community.

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