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*The official newsletter of SAVE, Inc.*

## CEO Blurb

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The enthusiasm for SAVE, Inc's May 10th Gala, HAVEN: A Way Home, carried right into PRIDE MONTH! The wind in these sails feels strong! Gala supporters showed up in their finery and showed out by more than doubling our fundraising goals! In total with sponsorships, the auction, and fund a need portion of the night we raised \$319,000 to end discrimination in housing and find solutions for people who are unhoused in Kansas City! Thank you to all who participated in the evening and from a far with your contributions. One participant said "It's the best event we've been to all year! The music, the atmosphere, and the MCs were all PERFECT!" Another word of gratitude here to our event chairs Chris Beal and Angela Rizzo for their efforts in creating this successful event!

With Pride Month came over 20 businesses wanting to support Pride Haven through drink specials, portions of sales donated, and volunteers! We are especially grateful to the KC Current who chose Pride Haven as

### **SAVE, Inc.**

provides comprehensive housing solutions to empower socially and medically disadvantaged people to improve their health and lead stable lives with personal dignity.

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Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Open Houses and tours of SAVE, Inc. are available. View our website or call for more information.

**SAVE, Inc. would be honored to be included in your estate plans and donor advised giving.**



### **SAVE, Inc.** **2024 Board of Directors**

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their Pride Night benefactor! A portion of their Pride Merch Sales and an Auction of their "kits"—player worn pride jerseys, netted us over \$10,000 donation! THANK YOU and thanks to ALL who joined us this year in our effort to sustain Pride Haven. With support like this, we are closer to closing the \$200,000 funding gap we anticipate when our July 1 fiscal year begins.

To those who want to jump on this wave and help us sustain this work, we welcome you! Even if you've already given, would you consider contributing from your donor advised fund, making a gift of stock, or becoming a monthly Save Society donor? Would you invite a friend to make a meal for our Pride Haven youth or a small group to come to help us keep our facilities beautiful and dignified for our residents? Thank you for the part you play in saving lives of vulnerable youth and adults in Kansas City.

As always, I'd love to have you come onsite and see our work. An easy way to see us in action is to join us at a Fourth Friday Open House. Enjoy refreshments at 9:30am while we visit about who we are and then enjoy a tour of our facilities. Find more information and let us know you are coming here: [www.saveinckc.org](http://www.saveinckc.org)!

*Haven you seen this survey? UMKC and the Pride Charitable fund are surveying the LGBTQ+ community to identify the current needs of LGBTQ+ individuals in the Kansas City area. Make your voice heard by participating in the survey, here:*



# SAVE Society

For about the cost of lunch at a restaurant, you can help one resident gain and sustain their housing with critical human services and become part of the supportive SAVE, Inc. community.

Consider joining our Save Society with a recurring donation of \$25 per month, per individual that you would like to offer lifesaving, dignified, and compassionate human services.



A \$25 gift pays for one-hour of case management to keep our residents on a healthy path and avoid isolation.

To join the  
SAVE Society,  
visit our SAVE  
Society page:



## Board Member Spotlight: Ghadeer Garcia



Ghadeer Garcia is the partner and co-founder of Ideialect/Ally Lab. She serves on the SAVE, Inc. Board.

What is your favorite service SAVE, Inc. provides and why?

Low-barrier housing is, by far, my favorite service that SAVE, Inc. provides because immediate, affordable housing is always needed.

What is something you would want Kansas Citians to know about SAVE, Inc.?

The dedication of SAVE Inc.'s staff and board is unmatched. The people doing this work genuinely care to see those using the services of SAVE Inc. be well cared for and have their needs met.

Why do you serve on the SAVE, Inc. board?

I believe in humanizing others, despite what circumstances they may be experiencing at any given time. SAVE Inc. does this in a very tangible and consistent way. This work matters...to our individual communities and city.

What do you like to do in your free time?

Book clubs, dinner parties, exploring the city, and family and friends.

## Upcoming Events

- Pickleball Tournament
  - September 22nd
  - Chicken N Pickle-NKC location



## Recent Events and Thank You to Pride Month Supporters

Check out where we have been out in the community this quarter: Haven: The Way Home Gala, Pride Parade, AIDS Walk, and Hamburger Mary's Bingo! Check out our social media to find out where else we've been and tag us in your posts

@SAVEInc when you are out with us! We'd love to feature your pictures..

