

## 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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## **Message From Leadership**

#### Dear Friends,

We have so much to be thankful for this past year, even as we understand – or can appreciate – the additional challenges posed to so many who have struggled due to the pandemic. Twin Pines has weathered the COVID pandemic relatively well. The organization remains in good shape financially, and, more importantly, our residents have remained healthy and housed.

This past year, more so than any in the past, was one in which we realized how much our communities need Twin Pines' services. As we slowly ease out of the pandemic, we see both opportunities and challenges. While we are increasingly able to go back to in-person meetings and encounters, which spurs many positive outcomes, we also know that pandemic relief programs are winding down, which will put a strain on many of our residents. Additionally, increased fuel costs coupled with supply chain issues will make the road ahead a tricky one.

All this speaks of course to the importance of community support for Twin Pines work. In this Annual Report you will see a list of donors, for whom we are immensely grateful. Their dedication to our mission makes our work possible. There is, however, another group of supporters who are not listed in these pages: those who wrote a letter to the editor, spoke up at town meetings, responded to a listserv post, or simply cheered on our staff. Your passion and commitment are equally appreciated. Twin Pines is grateful to <u>all</u> our partners, funders and advocates in helping make our community more livable and a place where people can find both security and opportunity.

Construction work hardly came to a halt in 2021. In fact, it didn't even slow down for us at Twin Pines. We continued to move forward on several significant projects– finishing the second phases of both Summer Park in Hanover and Wentworth in White River Junction and Wilder, VT. Additionally, we made huge strides with our homeownership units at Safford Commons in Woodstock, VT, which are now almost all complete. Looking ahead, Twin Pines is moving forward with multiple projects – including a proposed project at St. Paul's, a hotel conversion in White River Junction, and new turn-key apartment building also in White River Junction – none of which will be easy. The challenge of bringing these projects to completion highlights the importance of community support.

Finally, we want to thank the wonderful Twin Pines staff. All of the work during the pandemic took place thanks to the resiliency of our staff who have stepped up with commitment and passion. As always, we are proud of their cando attitude.

In 2022, we know that Twin Pines will need every ounce of help you are able to provide as we continue to weather the challenges of these difficult times. We deeply appreciate and value your participation.

Twin Pines builds homes so that people can build a life – and we couldn't do it without you.

On behalf of all of us at Twin Pines, many thanks!

Sincerely,

Maher B. Whater

Andrew B. Winter Executive Director

Scott Hesser Chair, Board of Trustees



Andrew Winter Executive Director



**Scott Hesser** *Chair, Board of Trustees* 

#### MISSION

Twin Pines Housing's mission is to increase access to quality housing and supportive services to meet the pressing and long-term needs of the Upper Valley community.



## TWIN PINES **Projects**

#### Summer Park Residences, Phase II

#### Hanover, NH

Twin Pines completed construction of a second building wing of the Summer Park Residences to create 18 new one-bedroom apartments for seniors in Hanover. This new wing is Passive House Certified and will share an elevator with the existing 24-unit building. The building is in downtown Hanover a short distance from Main Street, with a grocery store and Advance Transit bus service nearby.



The project was made possible by the transfer of ownership of Summer Park from the Town of Hanover thanks to voters. Property donated to the Town of Hanover by the Jack & Dorothy Byrne Foundation allowed for town parking to be moved, opening additional land to develop this second phase of 18 units. The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation provided important pre-development funding through its Impact Investing Program.

Twin Pines Housing is the developer and Evernorth is our limited partner, with financing from Ledyard Bank. The project was designed by Banwell Architects and built by Ingram Construction.

#### Wentworth II

#### White River Junction and Wilder, VT

In 2018, Twin Pines completed the first phase of the Wentworth project, a 30-unit complex located at Wentworth Way in White River Junction. This past year Twin Pines expanded on that project by completing Wentworth II, which is a two-site undertaking. One site is adjacent to the existing Wentworth project and the second is nearby in Wilder, VT. The two sites share one contactor, one lender, and one architect.

The larger component of Wentworth II is the two-story, 17-unit complex on Wentworth Way which includes eight one-bedroom, eight two-bedroom, and one three-bedroom units. The building also includes a community room and shared laundry.

The Wilder component of Wentworth II consists of four two-bedroom units. The complex was built on a brownfield site which cost \$160,000 to remediate. It is located on Route 5 in Wilder,



right on the Advance Transit bus route.

Evernorth was our development partner; the architects were Gossens Bachman Architects out of Montpelier, ReArch was the Phase 1 contractor and Naylor & Breen was the Phase 2 contractor.



Woodstock, VT

White River Junction



#### **Safford Commons**

This summer, Twin Pines expects to complete construction of four homeownership units at Safford Commons in Woodstock, VT. The mix of two and three-bedroom units include open-plan kitchen, dining and living area, laundry room, and front-entry porch with storage. Two have been sold and applications are still being received and reviewed for qualified buyers for the other two. The units are permanently affordable. Qualified buyers can purchase the home, and Twin Pines offers down payment assistance grants that are perpetually

tied to the property. This keeps the property affordable for generations to come. In exchange for the grant, Twin Pines gets the first option to purchase back the home when the homeowner is ready to sell. The homeowner gets 25% of the appreciation of their home with Twin Pines getting 75% that stays with the property to keep it affordable.

#### The Property at St. Paul's

This past year, Twin Pines spent a great deal of work getting an exciting new housing initiative off the ground. St. Paul's Episcopal Church in White River Junction has teamed up with its next-door neighbor, the Upper Valley Haven, and Twin Pines Housing to use a portion of their church property to expand emergency shelter beds and service space for the Haven and build 18 units of affordable

housing for the chronically homeless. St. Paul's, in turn, will generate funds to improve its worship space and help build on its mission in the community.

This project continues to receive attention from local news sources and social media platforms, and Twin Pines has been involved with several community meetings and has made formal presentations to the Town of Hartford's Planning Commission. Studio Nexus has been retained as the project architect. It is hoped that construction will begin in the fall of 2022.

# Artist rendering of proposed 18-unit building.



## RESIDENT PROFILE: Gina Sargent

"This place is absolutely amazing compared to anywhere I have lived," said Gina Sargent who has lived at Twin Pines' Tracy Street Apartments for two and a half years.

"The Twin Pines staff has been very helpful, especially Tara – she solves everything so there is no one else I need to call if I have an issue," Gina said. "They are not going to let you go homeless."

Gina, a single mother, lost her job when the COVID pandemic hit. "I was scared we were going to lose our home, but Twin Pines helped me get through it. They did all the legwork when I applied to Tri County Cap for support."

She added that she enjoys the Tracy Street location. "I love that the building is new; I've never had anything new, and my apartment gets lots of sun. It is absolutely amazing!"

## RESIDENT PROFILE: George Belisle

"The past four years have been a pretty hard road," said George Belisle, who now lives at Twin Pines' Morale House where he has been for the past six months. "It took four years, but I finally got an apartment."

Prior to coming to Twin Pines, George was at the Shady Lawn Motel. "This is definitely a lot better," he says. "I have my own kitchen, bedroom, and living room and stuff."

For many years George was both a carpenter and boat builder up in Kennebunkport, Maine, and reported that he had cruised up and down the entire east coast all the way down to



Florida. Since then he had experienced several health problems but is now happy to be with Twin Pines.

"I get along good with my neighbors, and I haven't had any problems with maintenance or anything like that," he said. "I also like that I got a voucher from Listen and pick out a couch, an entertainment center, and this and that. I finally feel like now I am doing great."

## RESIDENT PROFILE: Shanna Belanger

Shanna Belanger has been at Twin Pines' Village at Crafts Hill for four years now. "We really like it here," she says, and her daughter Alexandra agrees, "I love that I there is a big, flat parking lot where I can ride my bike."

Shanna said that life was difficult prior to coming to Crafts Hill. "I was in a bad relationship, and me and my daughter were in a few shelters," she said.

Now, Shanna is a substitute teacher in Hartford Schools. "It's not steady pay, but Holly at Twin Pines has been very helpful getting me through that. Twin Pines has also connected me with Listen which has been really helpful."

"Twin Pines helps out a lot when we need help," she said. "One time a pipe fell out, and maintenance came over right away to fix it. When I need anything, they come."



## DONOR PROFILES

## **Kevin & Punam Keller**



Kevin and Punam Keller understand the importance of supporting nonprofit organizations in their community, but they want to make sure their giving is strategic.

"We are blessed with a lot of great nonprofits in the Upper Valley," Kevin said. "But we generally don't have multiple nonprofits addressing a specific issue; that is why supporting a quality organization that is addressing affordable housing, like Twin Pines, is so critical."

"What do I like about Twin Pines?" he reflects. "It is extremely well run, very professional, and it delivers."

Kevin and Punam are both professors at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College, and they love being a part of the Upper Valley community. "There are many factors that make life in the Upper Valley special, and the role of nonprofits is one of them," Punam said.

Both Kevin and Punam stress the importance of diversity to the community, including finding homes for those with low to moderate incomes. "I went to a high school in Pittsburgh with a huge mix of income levels," Kevin said, "and that diversity of needs, viewpoints, and life experiences was so vital to the richness of our community."

#### Matt & Margaret Rightmire

"Just as reading is fundamental to education, if you don't have warm, safe housing, then you can't begin to think about all the other things

you need to do to take the next step in your life," explained Matt Rightmire on why he and Margaret support Twin Pines.

"I think we all have a responsibility to give back to the community,"



Margaret added. "And this is such an important time to be giving to Twin Pines; they have demonstrated that they can get things done."

"When it comes to affordable housing," she said, "the good news is that there is more awareness, but the bad news is that there is a much greater need today."

The Rightmires believe strongly in helping to strengthen the fabric of the community by diving into the work of several Upper Valley nonprofit organizations. "When you live in a community, you have a responsibility to contribute to it in any way you possibly can," said Matt. Both feel that the Twin Pines' partnerships with other nonprofit organizations is key to coordinating services and improving the lives of those who need help.

They are also impressed with the work of Twin Pines Executive Director Andrew Winter. Matt said, "Andrew is knowledgeable and very well connected, and the work that Twin Pines does in an integrated way with public/private partnerships doesn't happen without those long-standing relationships."

## **Stan & Jenny Williams**

"The housing situation has only gotten worse in the past few years," said Stan Williams. "Working folks have been priced out of the market, and there is no social equity. We don't want to live in a place where everyone has the same income level; it would make for a very boring community!"

Both Stan and Jenny have been involved with several Upper Valley nonprofits including Finding Our Stride, which helps kids who come from a less-resourced community, and where Jenny is Founder and Executive Director. "The core piece that family and kids – and all



people – need is stable housing," she said. "It is a really, really critical piece for kids to be growing up in a place in which they are not experiencing trauma."

Stan praised Twin Pines for getting these housing deals accomplished. "Andrew Winter has a fantastic reputation and is doing a wonderful job navigating such complex financing. There are so many moving parts to these deals, and I just wish it was more scalable."

Speaking from executive director experience, Jenny says "the partnership among Upper Valley nonprofits is amazing, and Twin Pines is a conduit for its residences to access other social services. That's really important because even when you find someone a home, there could be six other things that family needs."

## COMMUNITY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT: Willing Hands

For the past eight years, Twin Pines has had a "nourishing" relationship with one of its community partners, Willing Hands. Based in Norwich, VT, Willing Hands recovers fresh food from farms, grocery stores, restaurants and wholesalers, and delivers it year-round, for free, to social service organizations across the Upper Valley including to residents of Twin Pines Housing.

"We feel it is important to meet people where they are," explains Krista Karlson, Outreach and Development Manager at Willing Hands. "We know that not everyone has the ability to drive to a farm or food shelf to find food, and that is why we feel that our deliveries are so important."

Willing Hands currently delivers fresh food twice weekly to several Twin Pines properties including the Village at Crafts Hill, Graystone, Hollow Drive, and Overlook.

Willing Hands delivered over 10 tons of food to just these Twin Pines properties alone this past year. For their entire operation, Willing Hands delivered 1 million pounds of food to over 80 organization in the Upper Valley last year. Produce that is not used is composted.

"I especially love receiving the fresh produce and eggs," said Susan a resident at Overlook. "And I like the fact that it comes from a

local farm: it makes me feel more connected to the community." Willing Hands enlists the assistance of over 500 volunteers each year who help collect food from various sources including working on the farms. For example, these volunteers



may scour a potato field after it has been harvested and collect potatoes that were not gathered, which invariably happens.

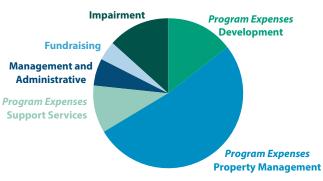
"The staff at Willing Hands has been great to work with, and our residents love the fresh food they provide," said Arwen Northern, Director of Resident Services at Twin Pines. "We feel really lucky to have a partner like Willing Hands."

#### TWIN PINES HOUSING ANNUAL REPORT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Income Statement	Year Ending Sept. 30,	
	2021	2020
Grants and Contributions	2,242,600	1,841,400
Development Fees	359,600	978,400
Property Management Fees	629,600	582,000
Rental and Lease Income	820,400	793,500
Other Income	124,800	33,100
Total Revenue	4,177,000	4,228,400
Program Expenses - Development	553,400	558,500
Program Expenses - Property Mgt	1,946,600	1,836,300
Program Expenses - Supportive Services	383,100	351,300
Management & Administrative	229,100	235,600
Fundraising	148,300	145,900
Impairment	500,000	500,000
Total Expenses & Losses	3,760,500	3,627,600
Change in Net Assets	416,500	600,800

#### TWIN PINES HOUSING REVENUE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021





Balance Sheet	Year Endii	Year Ending Sept. 30,	
Assets	2021	2020	
Twin Pines Housing Cash - Unrestricted	703,800	993,700	
Twin Pines Housing Cash - Restricted	314,200	501,200	
Property Cash - Designated	241,800	224,900	
Total Cash & Equivalents	1,259,800	1,719,800	
Tenant receivables	10,700	12,900	
Related party receivables	77,900	83,900	
Prepaid Expenses & Other	183,000	317,500	
Total Current Assets	1,531,400	2,037,300	
Property and Equipment, net	8,612,200	8,808,500	
Security Deposits	44,200	45,000	
Investments in LPs & Other Entities	1,016,100	796,700	
Projects in Process	48,100	180,000	
Notes Receivable	1,719,300	1,218,700	
Development Fees Receivable	453,800	314,500	
Restricted Escrows & Reserves	877,300	823,500	
Goodwill & Other	299,300	345,200	
Total Long-term Assets	13,070,300	12,487,100	
Total Assets	14,601,700	14,524,400	
Liabilities and Net Assets	2021	2020	
Security Deposits	44,200	44,500	
Accrued Expenses & Other Payables	899,500	923,000	
Current Maturities - Debt	79,500	228,800	
Total Current Liabilities	1,023,200	1,196,300	
Long-term Debt - Twin Pines	363,700	411,500	
Long-term Debt - Properties	5,795,800	5,914,200	
Total Liabilities	7,182,700	7,522,000	
Unrestricted Net Assets	6,635,200	6,005,000	
Donor Restricted Net Assets	783,800	997,400	
Total Net Assets	7,419,000	7,002,400	
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	14,601,700	14,524,400	

#### Notes to financial statements:

- Basis of Consolidation: Twin Pines Housing (TPH) and its related parties have invested in limited partnerships, with various interest percentages, to aid in the development of affordable housing projects throughout the Upper Valley. Most frequently, TPH, as general partner, owns a negligible share of the property (less than 3%). From time to time, TPH assumes the limited partnership interest in properties from the for-profit partnership which operates the property, with plans to ultimately assign the interest to a new limited partner investor in connection with the renovation and refinancing of the property. In accordance with GAAP Twin Pines Housing's financial statements are consolidated with Parkhurst and Spencer Square (both wholly owned), as well as Briars 2 LP and Upper Valley Supportive Housing LP.
- Impairment Loss: During 2021, TPH contributed the proceeds of a Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston Affordable Housing Program (AHP) direct subsidy to Summer Park 2 Community Housing LP as required by AHP and the limited partnership agreement. Due to the terms and conditions of the subsidy, TPH considers its investment to be other than temporarily impaired, and has estimated the fair value to be \$0.

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