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UMRC-Porter Hills Foundation Awards Community Grants in Support of Local Older Adults

Chelsea/Grand Rapids, MI, Jul. 28, 2026 – The UMRC-Porter Hills Foundation Board of Directors is proud to announce that it has awarded its 2026 Community Grants, totaling \$30,000. These awardees are chosen by the Board to support the work of local nonprofits that serve older adults in the communities where Brio Living Services has a presence.

This year's recipients are:

- Emergent Health Partners, Ann Arbor
- Agewell Services, Muskegon
- Chelsea District Library, Chelsea
- Faith in Action, Chelsea
- Senior Neighbors, Grand Rapids

Will Epps, IV, Chair of the UMRC-Porter Hills Foundation Board, said, "Each year, the Foundation Board gives \$30,000 in total grants to nonprofits that provide care in some way to aging adults in the communities that Brio serves. This year, our Board unanimously chose five organizations, representing the many parts of our state where Brio is present. We are grateful for the amazing work they each do to make life better for older adults, and we appreciate our partnerships with them."

"Each of these trusted organizations chosen by our Board shines a light on the needs of aging in their communities," said Kelli Smith, CFRE, President & CEO of the UMRC-Porter Hills Foundation. "I am proud to serve with our Foundation Board of Directors who advocate for vibrant living for all of us as we age and who lead with such servant hearts."

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*The **UMRC-Porter Hills Foundation**, in support of Brio Living Services, is the charitable arm for the organization, with headquarters in Chelsea and Grand Rapids, Michigan. The mission of*

the UMRC-Porter Hills Foundation is: As faithful, philanthropic stewards and steadfast advocates for vibrant aging, we support the mission of Brio Living Services. The UMRC-Porter Hills Foundation's fundraising initiatives focus on the health and well-being of older adults, and the education and retention of our outstanding team members. These include the Foundation's cornerstone—Benevolent Care—as well as Team Member Investment, Capital Improvements, and Program Investment. 734.433.1000 | 616.577.2297 | Foundation.UMRCPH.org

*Building on a foundation of serving older adults since 1906, **Brio Living Services**, formerly UMRC & Porter Hills, is a faith-based, nonprofit organization whose mission is: Welcoming all, partnering together, enriching lives. Its vision is: A world in which all are empowered to age well. Brio Living Services represents the second largest nonprofit senior living organization in Michigan and serves the most economically diverse population of older adults. With a tradition of exceptional quality and a commitment to cutting-edge care, Brio Living Services and its affiliates serve approximately 9,000 older adults each year, from 23 locations and service lines, across 22 counties in Michigan's lower peninsula. 734.433.1000 | 616.949.4975 | MyBrio.org*