

HIGH PEAKS HOSPICE

ANNUAL REPORT
FOR 2022

OUR
YEAR IN
REVIEW



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HOSPICE



DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT



Dear Board Members and Stakeholders of High Peaks Hospice,

As we reflect on the challenges and successes of the past year, I am proud to report that High Peaks Hospice has continued to provide the highest quality of care to our patients and families, despite the unprecedented obstacles we faced. Throughout the pandemic, our dedicated team of healthcare professionals worked tirelessly to adapt to new protocols and ensure that our patients and their loved ones felt supported and cared for.

Due to our commitment to patient care, we are expanding our marketing and advertising to reach more people. We hear from families, far too often, that they wished they had called hospice sooner. Through our expanded outreach, we hope to give more people the knowledge they need to consider hospice and make the call earlier for their loved one.

As always, our mission remains centered on compassion and dignity in end-of-life care. We are grateful for the trust and support of our community, and we look forward to continuing to serve those in need in the years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Nicholas George". The script is fluid and cursive.

NICHOLAS GEORGE

Executive Director

Mission Statement

dignity, comfort
& peace
at the end of life

*High Peaks Hospice
provides end-of life
care that listens
with respect, cares
with compassion,
supports with
choice, and
comforts with
understanding -
wherever you call
home.*

2022 Service Statistics

Total Patients Served:
611

Total Patient Care Days:
23224 days

Average Length of Stay:
49.57 days

Average Daily Census:
63.63

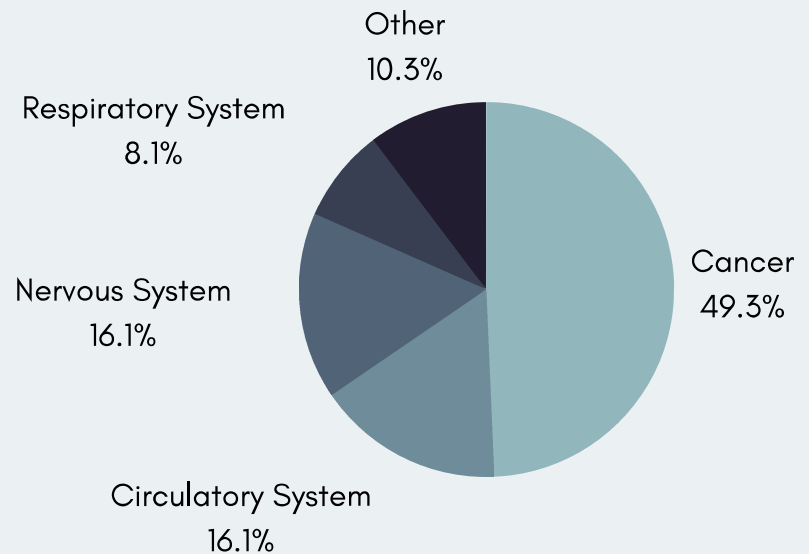
Our service area includes 5,400 square miles of New York in the following counties:

- Essex
- Franklin
- Warren
- Hamilton
- Washington
- St. Lawrence



Service Area

Admitting Diagnosis



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Patient Access Team

This wonderful group is the bridge that connects families with our services and changes lives, allowing us to support each family's loved one on life's most important journey.

35 Years!

High Peaks Hospice Celebrated 35 years!

High Peaks Hospice was founded in Saranac Lake in 1986 by a group of concerned citizens who recognized the need for hospice care in the Adirondacks. This amazing group of professionals, backed by incredible community support, donated their time and talents towards this worthy cause. Since then, the organization has grown and expanded its service region to 5,400 square miles, bringing a wide range of physical and emotional support for patients and their families who are living with a terminal illness.

Over 35 years later High Peaks Hospice has remained committed to its mission of providing comfort, peace, and dignity to those facing the end of their lives.

As part of its 35th anniversary celebration, High Peaks Hospice hosted two Celebratory Gatherings to reflect on the impact it has had on the community and the many lives it has touched through the years. Additionally, a group of the founders reunited to reminisce which was captured in a video High Peaks Hospice calls, "Our Beginnings" that can be found online at www.highpeakshospice.org

HPH Founders Reunite



Seated: Sr. Camillus, Ann Merkel, Dr. Robert Kasulke. Standing are The Rev. Frederick Dennis and Katrine Kretser.



Volunteer Update

In the wake of COVID-19, our hospice volunteers have continued to support the mission and vision of High Peaks Hospice through a variety of roles including patient visits, bereavement support and office administration.



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OF THE YEAR**



**Thank
You!**



Thank you to our volunteers for all you do!

2022 Events

Thank You



Members of the Saranac Lake Artist Guild held a Silent Auction. They raised over \$1,150 for High Peaks Hospice!

We had many wonderful events throughout the year to benefit High Peaks Hospice and help us fund our services provided to the community



High Peaks Hospice presented Certificates of Appreciation to the Knights of Columbus Council #384 and Napoleon Marcotte for Hosting their Annual Turkey Dinner and raising \$1,000.00 for High Peaks Hospice!

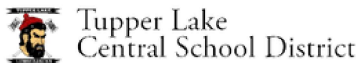


The Essex Community Church ran its refreshment stand at the annual Essex Day. They raised over \$1,000 for High Peaks Hospice!



Our 2nd Annual High Peak Hospice Virtual Walk for Hospice took place April 15th-May 31st 2022. We raised over \$4,300 to support our programs and the families we serve.

LP Quinn enthusiastically raised money for High Peaks Hospice as they have done for over 13 years. Each year there is a friendly competition among the classes (PreK-5) to see who can raise the most money for High Peaks Hospice. These amazing students have raised and collected \$13,429.70!



High Peaks Hospice was the beneficiary of the 9th Annual Gary LaQuay Fishing Challenge that took place this past Father's Day! Even with the cold weather and rain, 124 participants were on the lake ready to go and 61 fish were weighed in! This Challenge raised just over \$2,200 for our organization!

THANK YOU!



Thank you to Lake Champlain Yoga and Wellness for facilitating the annual 6.5K Firecracker Run in Essex, NY that raised \$2,000 for our Children's Grief and Loss Support Group!



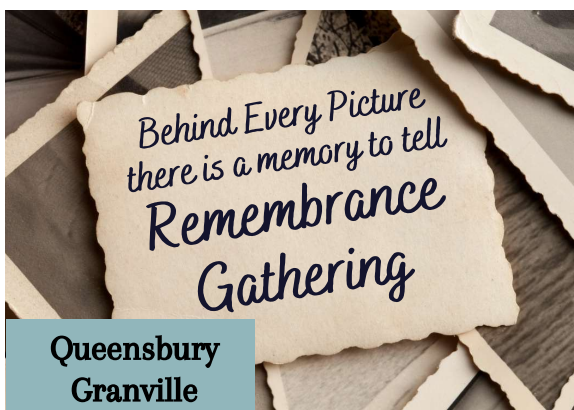
Community Bereavement Support

The High Peaks Hospice bereavement program continues to offer free grief and loss support to anyone living in the communities we serve who needs it, regardless if hospice was utilized.



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BEREAVEMENT

In addition to our grief support sessions, peer to peer online and in-person support groups, lending library, newsletter and resources, High Peaks Hospice hosted the following gatherings throughout 2022:



PASSION + PURPOSE

Our lives become more meaningful when we turn our passion into a purpose.



Thank you Morgan for turning your passion into a fundraiser for High Peaks Hospice. Back in October Morgan hiked 32 miles in 21 hours and raised \$1370.00 for High Peaks Hospice through a Facebook Fundraiser.

Following your passions can be a powerful way to make a positive impact on the world, and one way to do so is by creating a fundraiser for High Peaks Hospice. If you have a passion for something, whether it's baking, music, or art, you can use your talents to raise funds for our organization. Here are some tips to help you get started:

- Choose your passion: Think about what you love to do, and how you can use that passion to create a fundraiser.
- Set a goal: Determine how much money you want to raise for High Peaks. This will give you a target to work towards and help you stay motivated.
- Spread the word: Use social media, email, and word of mouth to promote your fundraiser. Our Marketing Department can help you create a flyer or poster to hang up in our community or workplace and can help promote the flyer on social media.

Remember, the most important thing is to have fun and stay true to your passion. When you follow your heart, you can create something truly special that will make a difference in the lives of others. So go ahead and pursue your passion with purpose!

Please reach out to Community Engagement & Development Coordinator Debi Buttino at dbuttino@highpeakshospice.org.

Give the gift of comfort and care. Donate supplies to High Peaks Hospice today.



Simply start by viewing our wishlist and choosing supplies to donate to help our patients and families. We can always use your support!

Please visit
highpeakshospice.org/wishlist
to view our list.



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Operating Revenue: \$4,076,673

Non-Operating Revenue

Donations & Bequests \$328,552

Special Projects & Events \$114,038

Grants \$161,590

Rental & Investment Income \$43,200

Investment income (loss) - net of fees (\$112,744)

Total Non-Operating Revenue: \$534,636

Total Revenue: \$4,611,309

Expenses

Salaries Wages & Benefits: **\$3,289,452**

Patient-Related Expenses: **\$918,302**

Administrative & Facility Expenses **\$579,198**

Total Expense: \$4,786,952

Net Income: -\$175,643

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\$1,000 - \$4,999 (cont'd)

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\$250 - \$999

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\$250 - \$999

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"Little by little, a little becomes a lot"
– Tanzanian Proverb



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2022 Sponsors



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With the help of our donors and community partners, we are able to provide our patients & their families

MORE *support* MORE *moments*
MORE *comfort* MORE *joy & peace*

right here within the local communities we love.

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