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THE FLOWER CHRONICLES

The Official Newsletter of Power of Flowers Project

2022: The Year In Review



Signature Bouquets

We delivered **14,052 Signature Bouquets** to seniors and veterans living in care communities or receiving home meal deliveries

Deliveries Made

We made **226 deliveries** to recipient locations in the Merrimack Valley of MA and Southern NH





Flower Therapy Workshops

We conducted **25 Flower Therapy Workshops** at **10 senior care facilities**. Participants created **624 bouquets** and interacted with volunteers in a fun filled activity

2022: A Year In Review Continued



Donated Flowers

We received **4,592 floral donations** from memorial services, weddings, corporate events, and retailers

Recycling Program

We **recycled 4,427** baskets, containers, and glass/ceramic vases back to the floral industry





Buds & Blooms

We held **11 Buds & Blooms Bouquet Creation parties**, where **207 attendees** enjoyed laughter and creativity while benefitting seniors and veterans in our community

Thank You!

We are grateful...
To our dedicated volunteers, who share their time and talent to create and deliver beautiful bouquets for those in need of a smile
and
To our donors, whose flowers and monetary gifts allow us to fulfill our mission of
Sharing Hope and Happiness.

Meet Our New Board Team & Members

Board Chair, Julie Hickey



Julie has served on our Board since 2019 and enjoys everything about the organization. Julie states, "I love that flowers, which would be discarded, can make someone smile and bring them joy. The delight of watching our volunteers create beautiful bouquets to Share Hope and Happiness with seniors and veterans is truly rewarding." Julie lives in Chelmsford with her husband and has two daughters. She looks forward to to introducing Power of Flowers Project to more people and making it household name in the community.

Vice Chair, Andrea Jackson



Andrea has been a Board member since 2016, she served as Board Chair from 2020-2022 and now assumes the role of Vice-Chair. She says, "Once you share the compelling mission of Power of Flowers Project with others, everyone can't help but support it." Andrea is a Lowell native who is married with two children. She looks forward to working with her fellow board members, volunteers, and staff to elevate the visibility of the organization.

New Board Member, Ritu Juneja



A valued volunteer since 2017, Ritu has supported Power of Flowers Project in various roles including: technology expertise, fundraising assistance, and daily workshop activities (making bouquets, flower pickups). Her enthusiasm for Power of Flowers Project mission and people is unmistakable and she is delighted to join the Board to lend her support in an additional capacity.

New Board Member, Dr. Courtney L'Hussier



Courtney was introduced to Power of Flowers Project through a Buds & Blooms event. As a Doctor of Physical Therapy, she is excited to join the Power of Flowers Project team and hopes to incorporate rehabilitative concepts into the Flower Therapy Program. Courtney lives in Chelmsford and enjoys hiking with her Border Collie, Luna.

Thank you to our outgoing Board Members:
Patrice Dolan - Janet Dubner
Judy Burke - Janet Dellea
Your dedication has been the foundation for our success!

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Save The Date



Participating in Senior Service Week



As part of Senior Service Week at Lowell Catholic, Nick J., spent January 9th-13th learning about Power of Flowers Project and working alongside our volunteers. Nick assisted with bouquet creation, pick up and break down of donated floral arrangements, and flower delivery to a care facility.
He also learned about how our Recycle Program is mutually beneficial to the organization and the floral industry. He assisted by delivering recycle items to our partners at Wood Brothers Florist and A Floral Moment by Juju Buds.

After volunteer workshop hours, Nick cleaned and organized our recycle storage area.

Thank you Nick!

To learn more about our organization or how to volunteer,
Contact Michelle Silveira, Executive Director at michelle@pofproject.org or
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