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Thank you, Dr. Adam Jacobs, for your visionary leadership and unwavering dedication to Bellefaire JCB and Wingspan Care Group. Your legacy will continue to inspire generations to come.

— Adrienne Vichill and the OneDigital Team

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Dear Triends,

As we prepared for *Adam Jacobs' Farewell Tour*, we spoke with several colleagues and community partners who have been by his side for the past 30 years as he worked tirelessly to meet the current and emerging needs of at-risk children, teens and families in Northeast Ohio and beyond. Each shared their personal anecdotes of working with Adam; some reflected on the early days at Bellefaire JCB while others focused on newer developments such as the creation of Bluestone Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Hospital. Regardless of the era, the project or the agency, all uttered the same words: Visionary. Entrepreneur. Innovator. Champion of children.

Visionary. Many believe that Adam has kept a crystal ball in his desk given his keen ability to anticipate critical shifts in the child welfare and behavioral health landscape. His ability to see around the corner led to the diversification of revenue streams and programs at both Bellefaire JCB and Applewood Centers, likely securing their long-term futures during a time when other agencies had to close their doors.

Entrepreneur. It is not often that a social service agency develops a software application to improve the delivery of services. But that's exactly what Adam undertook with the creation of Monarch Teaching Technologies (MTT) — a for-profit technology company that designed software effectively changing the delivery of educational services for students with autism and other learning challenges.

Innovator. For Adam, innovation was the byproduct of his vision and entrepreneurial spirit. And innovation is what will be his legacy. Counseling services provided in schools rather than the office. Educational services for youth in residential treatment. And, the creation of the Wingspan Care Group, an umbrella organization that would eliminate administrative redundancies, streamline operations, and improve direct service delivery for affiliate partners. These are but a few examples of how Adam revolutionized the delivery of care.

Champion of children. This one bears repeating. Champion of children. This always has been his north star, the compass that guided every decision. It was not enough that an idea was smart, creative or generated revenue. Would it be good for children? For their families? For our community? Was the idea sustainable? Would it advance the mission of the organization?

As a champion of children, Adam took on the challenge of developing an array of services for youth with autism. As a champion of children he created Wingspan to build a smarter way of providing services and then worked to partner with Applewood Centers, preserving the long-term sustainability of one of the community's longest standing agencies.

As a champion of children, Adam spent hours working closely with elected officials to ensure they understood the needs of those served by Wingspan agencies, many of whom represent impoverished families, Medicaid-recipients and vulnerable youth whose voice otherwise would not be heard. These efforts resulted in millions of dollars flowing into the community. And, among his greatest achievements, Adam created Bluestone Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Hospital, increasing the number of pediatric inpatient beds in Cuyahoga County by 50 percent.

These are just a few of the many examples of how Adam Jacobs has changed the landscape of behavioral health care and autism services that will benefit generations to follow. Yet, he did not do any of this alone. From the outset he was supported, and often challenged, by the boards of directors from each agency. His efforts were informed by the hundreds of staff who worked alongside him and who worked tirelessly with him to realize the vision. So to all of those who have been along for this ride, on behalf of Adam and those we serve, thank you.

And, finally, to Adam. We thank you for your leadership, for your humility and for your unyielding passion for the work. 30 years. 500,000 children and families. An incredible legacy.

In gratitude,

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30 Years in the Making 500,000+ Children Served



The Man Behind the Mission

Adam Jacobs (Inplugged

It's pretty well known that you're a big music fan. Who is your favorite band or artist? One that I unfortunately never got to see in concert – Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers.

Do you have a favorite sports team? I have two: the Guardians and the Dodgers. I'm from Brooklyn... what can I say?

Are you a cat or dog person? Absolutely pooches!

What's your favorite restaurant? Hunan by the Falls in Chagrin Falls.

What movies and books would you recommend? Movies - Outsiders and Rumble Fish. Books - Sometimes a Great Notion, The Foundation Trilogy, and Change.

You grew up on the east coast then lived on the west coast, landing here in the Midwest. What about Cleveland was a pleasant surprise?

The people/community, cost of living and the schools.

What do you miss most about New York? New York is a 24/7 city.

What are you looking forward to having more time to do when you don't have to go into the office? Being with family and spending more time outdoors – walking, biking, hiking.

What are some things that most people might not know about you?

I used to own a clamming boat with a buddy of mine. We'd go out in Great South Bay off of Long Island and get clams; then we'd go back and sell them to restaurants. I also used to have a pilot's license. Oh, and I worked as a DJ for a short while.

You've been working in a really tough field for a long time. What drives you? Truly enjoying what I do. I enjoy the people I work with and love that I get to do a little bit of everything.

Was there some kind of pivotal, "ah-ha" moment that led you to start thinking about the concept of the Wingspan model?

Back when I was the Interim Director at Bellefaire, we were looking at the possibility of merging with another agency. Although that didn't happen, going through the process started me thinking about how we could save money, realize efficiencies, and keep individual agency boards and staff in place if we joined with another agency down the road. Creating the Wingspan model wasn't too difficult. It just took some time to persuade others to affiliate with us.

Looking back through the decades, what in your mind is your greatest professional accomplishment?

Keeping my job! But seriously, I'm so privileged for being able to make a difference in the lives of children, youth and families and consistently growing the number of children served over the years. We've helped 500,000 kids and families over the last 30 years and have outstanding outcomes across the board.

You have been unyielding in your dedication to at-risk children and families, what do you foresee as the greatest challenge to serving this population in the years to come?

Bellefaire, Applewood, Bluestone, Lifeworks – all serve kids and individuals with disabilities. But they can't vote. Often their parents don't either. They have no natural advocates except for our staff and board members.

What would you like to say to past and present board members who partnered with you to fulfill the mission of Wingspan and its agencies?

Thank you for being bold, trusting, and taking a lot of risks. When we wanted to open Monarch School, they were supportive. When we wanted to expand into other counties, they said "okay." They were behind us when we wanted to implement juvenile justice programming at Applewood, open a psychiatric hospital, create a PAC, redesign residential ... the list goes on and on. We wouldn't be here today without their extraordinary leadership and support.

What would you like to say to the myriad of staff who have worked alongside you?

Thank you for your patience. Thank you for your trust. A lot of us have worked together for a very long time. I've been really fortunate to work with so many good people. When I started here, there were 12 agencies serving our population. Now there are only three. Why? It all goes back to our staff; they've made really smart, strategic decisions.

I would tell them to continue being tenacious, consistent and creative. Everything we've ever done has started out rough. You just have to keep on doing it until you get it right!

Honoring Adam's decades of tireless work on behalf of children and families, the board room at Wingspan will be named the Adam G. Jacobs, Ph.D. Board Room.

Adam G. Jacobs, Ph.D. Board Room

You are not obligated to complete the work, but neither are you free to abandon it. – Pirkei Avot



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A New Front Man 1995 - 2000

Hired in 1991 to serve as the Director of Clinical and Community Services at Bellefaire JCB, it did not take long for Adam Jacobs to gain attention as a skilled clinician and a dynamic leader. Within a few years, he had been tapped to serve as the agency's Associate Director and was appointed to the role of Executive Director in 1995.

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During this time, Bellefaire JCB was thriving, but the landscape for child welfare was changing. This was a time of transition, not just for the agency but also for the community and world of child welfare. To address emerging

needs, with Dr. Jacobs' leadership, Bellefaire expanded its array of community-based services, many of which remain the foundation of the agency's work today.

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"Bellefaire JCB served 5,000 children and families in 1995."

Several of the services developed during this time remain

flagship programs today, including SAY Social Advocates for Youth, created in the aftermath of school shootings across the country, including Columbine, to establish school-based intervention and prevention program in eastern Cuyahoga County suburban school districts. In 1999, Bellefaire established the acclaimed School-Based Counseling program in local school districts and, in keeping with its Jewish heritage and values, Bellefaire also implemented a Jewish Day School Counseling program. Bellefaire established its Transitional Living Program (TLP) to provide homeless and missing youth with safe, stable and supportive housing alongside a robust, culturally competent, continuum of services in which trained staff help youth to build the skills and strengths necessary to achieve wellness and self-sufficiency.

In 2000, Bellefaire opened the Monarch School for Autism in response to multiple independent studies, parents and professionals all citing an urgent need for local resources for children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Monarch School for Autism opened with 12 students as Ohio's first chartered school specifically for children with autism spectrum disorder. Monarch quickly became a nationally recognized leader in autism treatment.

"Over 25 years ago, when I served as the Chair of the Board of Directors of Bellefaire JCB, I was overjoyed and excited to offer Adam Jacobs the position of Executive Director. Over the years since then Adam has guided Bellefaire JCB and the Wingspan Care Group in a manner that has emphasized high quality services, financial stability, innovative programming, and integrity, honesty and openness. This approach has greatly benefited thousands of children, adolescents and families needing carefully planned assistance." - Irv Feldman, Director for Life and President, Bellefaire JCB Board of Directors, 1994–1997

Mixing Innovation and Technology 2000-2010

With Adam Jacobs at the helm, addressing emerging community needs became a hallmark of Bellefaire JCB. Through innovation and the partnership with local and national funders, Bellefaire JCB was at the forefront of delivering critical services to new and underserved populations. During this time, the vision of the Wingspan Care Group was realized.

In response to the growing financial crisis in the health care and social services fields, Wingspan Care Group was formed to provide administrative services and oversight for its affiliate partner agencies thereby creating a cost effective, streamlined means of operating.

"Applewood Centers and Bellefaire JCB served a combined 17,500 children and families in 2010."

By eliminating administrative "burdens," the direct-service staff at partner agencies are given the freedom to focus on their mission-oriented goals of providing exceptional behavioral health care and advocacy to the children, youth, and families who rely on the services they provide. While the organizational efficiencies captured through the creation of Wingspan are significant, so is the value of partnership and the ability to strengthen the

voice of those the agencies serve.

In 2007, Wingspan Care Group welcomed Applewood Centers as the first affiliate partner. With a history dating back nearly two centuries, Applewood evolved from the merging of three prominent child-serving agencies in Cleveland: Children's Aid Society, the Jones Home, and the Child Guidance Center. Applewood supports children through all points of their youth—from toddlers who benefit from early childhood mental health counseling, to young adults who need assistance reaching independence. The agency provides school and community-based counseling services; psychiatric services for children and teens; foster care; residential treatment; and therapeutic after-school and weekend programs. Applewood is home to the acclaimed Gerson School, an alternative placement for students whose emotional, social and behavioral struggles have impacted their ability to succeed in a public setting.

Always with an eye to the future and emerging trends, innovation remained at the forefront for Adam Jacobs. Each concept was driven by the needs of those served by the affiliates of Wingspan. Monarch Teaching Technologies, founded in 2002, introduced VizZle[™] an easy-to-use, authoring software for creating interactive, visual learning supports for special education / autism instruction. Created following a seven year collaboration with researchers from Children's Hospital Boston, Harvard Medical School and Bellefaire's Monarch School, VizZle transformed the delivery of special education lessons and was licensed widely throughout the US and beyond.

"I met Adam Jacobs during the discussions which resulted in the affiliation between Applewood Centers and Vingspan Care Group. He explained the innovative Wingspan structure which would allow Bellefaire and Applewood to remain separate, but share back office services, and save \$1,000,000 a year, which could go to the care of the kids and families we serve. Luckily, we believed his crazy story and the affiliation happened. Aside from those savings, which have been invested in kids and families for almost 20 years now, Applewood has benefited from Adam's firm leadership and guidance."

- James Hogg, Executive Committee, Applewood Centers Board of Directors

Amplifying the Mission 2010-2018

Dr. Jacobs' dedication to those served by the agencies continued as he lead the team at Applewood Centers and Bellefaire JCB to expanded services and to diversify and create new revenue streams. This era experienced growth for both agencies along with the creation of new ones. Applewood Centers expanded its educational services with the creation of The Reserve School, which serves students placed in residential treatment facilities in Northeast Ohio. The school provides specialized educational services in a therapeutic environment that teaches skills to prepare the students for a return to the community. With an expertise in delivering mental health services to youth involved with the juvenile justice system, Applewood increased its footprint in this arena, offering an expanded array of services in both Cuyahoga and Lorain counties, establishing the agency as a premier provider of Youth Justice Services across the state of Ohio.

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More than 10 years into providing autism services through the Monarch Center, it was apparent that a new cohort of individuals in need of specialized services had emerged, adults with ASD. In 2013, building upon the experience of Monarch, Bellefaire JCB and Wingspan launched Lifeworks to provide residential, vocational and educational opportunities for adults throughout Northeast Ohio with a diagnosis of autism.

"Adam Jacobs has been the best leader of a social service organization I have ever known. He leads from a place of great compassion and uncanny business savvy. Adam has been able to look into the future to assess the needs of children and families with precision and care. Translating the changing needs of children into policy is a difficult and delicate job. Adam has been able to do that."

- Jan Stern, Director Emerita, Bellefaire JCB Board of Directors

The Legacy 2018-Present

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At the heart of Adam Jacobs' work has been his unwavering desire to help vulnerable, at-risk populations and advocate on their behalf, firmly believing that Wingspan Care Group and its affiliate partners must serve as the voice for children who would otherwise not be heard. Adam Jacobs' visionary leadership undeniably changed the landscape of behavioral health and education services for at-risk and vulnerable populations. For nearly 30 years, he has worked tirelessly to anticipate the needs of the community and emerging trends. Over the course of those years, more than 500,000 children and families benefited.

The achievements are too many to recount, but his work will endure in the agencies he led, created and supported.

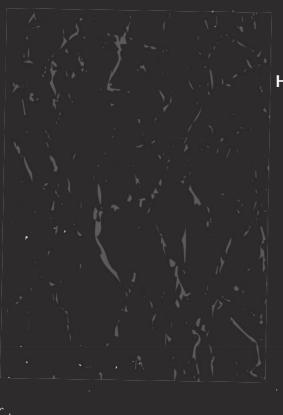
The Jacobs Fund for the Advancement of Youth and Families

The Wingspan Care Group and its affiliate partners – Bellefaire JCB, Applewood Centers, Lifeworks Autism Services, the Wuliger Wellness Center, Kids Connection and Bluestone Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Hospital – are excited to announce the creation of The Jacobs Fund for the Advancement of Youth and Families to honor Adam Jacobs and his 30 year legacy. To make a donation to the fund, please use the QR code or visit wingspancg.org/Donate.



The Jacobs Fund Trank you to Owr Dowords

Through the generosity of our event sponsors and donors, The Jacobs Fund will continue Adam's legacy of commitment to strengthening behavioral health and education services for families through advocacy, education and research and will ensure that his tireless efforts to give voice to underrepresented members of our community will continue for many years to come.



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Exclusive Fan Tributes

Sandy Wuliger

"We love and support Bellefaire because Bellefaire loves and supports children. Our family's connection to Bellefaire JCB has deep roots and continues to be important to us because of the organization's unwavering commitment to children, which aligns with our values. Adam's ability to build and maintain personal relationships has been crucial in strengthening our ties to Bellefaire."

Mitchell Balk

"The Mt. Sinai Health Foundation has invested so deeply in new initiatives under Adam's leadership because of his incredible ability to dream big and make those dreams a reality. Our confidence in Adam's leadership paved the way for supporting projects like the Monarch School, the Monarch Boarding Academy and Bluestone Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Hospital. Adam's approachable nature and lack of pretense make him an excellent partner, fostering strong relationships and ensuring the organization's continued success and critical impact on the community."

Susan Ratner

"I started working with Adam when he first came to Bellefaire and I was the director of Jewish Day Nursery. Adam's entrepreneurial spirit was obvious from the get-go, from creative ways to be fiscally responsible, to raising money, to getting community input, while allowing our commitment to high quality childcare, Adam's encouragement helped to preserve a stellar asset to the Jewish and non-Jewish community, which has continued to flourish. Adam is dedicated, entrepreneurial and visionary (and opinionated!), a unique combination of characteristics that have changed the face of Bellefaire during his tenure."

Larry Pollock

"Adam's greatest strengths are his genuine care for children and his focus on their well-being. He understands that kids often lack strong advocates and believes Bellefaire JCB should fill that gap and provide for children in ways no one else will. Combining passion, innovative thinking, and a sharp business sense, Adam finds ways to fund programs that do not generate revenue through those that do. His ability to balance mission and business is truly impressive."

Stephen Hoffman

"Adam's impact on both the Jewish and general communities has been profound. Bellefaire has grown and thrived under Adam's leadership and, along with Wingspan and its partner agencies, become a valuable and relevant resource to the broader community. People turn to agencies like Bellefaire in times of distress, and Adam's leadership has ensured that they can access reputable, high-quality resources through Wingspan agencies. The ability to provide a safe haven for children and families during times of crisis is invaluable."

Erika Rudin Luria

"Adam is a true creative—if you need something ordinary done, don't bother going to Adam. But if you have a complex challenge that seems impossible, Adam is the one you want. He has an incredible ability to piece together a puzzle where others don't even see the pieces. His most significant achievement is the success and growth of Bellefaire and Wingspan into the sophisticated organizations they are today. Adam's true legacy is in the people—the staff he has developed and the children who have been served by Bellefaire that have gone on to build successful, healthy lives and families."

Stephanie Silverman

"Adam's ability to see the BIG picture, plan for potential obstacles, and create workable, creative solutions. I often say he plays chess, not checkers. His ability to run a large mental health business is impressive - quite a different organization from the one he inherited many years ago. Adam is able to see around the corner and think about new, innovative strategies for growing the enterprise."

From All: "Adam, thank you. You will be missed."

For your **LEADERSHIP**... For your **INSIGHTS**... For your **DEDICATION** to healthcare for all...

> Benesch salutes you, Adam! Here's to a fulfilling next chapter.



Adam,

congratulations on your well-deserved retirement!

We will continue to honor your legacy in helping so many families and children in our community!

BETH AND BOB BRANDON

"If you're going to live, leave behind a legacy. Make an impact on the world that can never be erased." -Maya Angelou

Adam, you have impacted so many lives. Your commitment to kids who have, as you always say, "drawn the short straw in life," is inspirational.

Our entire community is better for the tireless work, passion and tenacity you brought daily.

> Fondly, Stephanie and Todd Silverman

Adam,

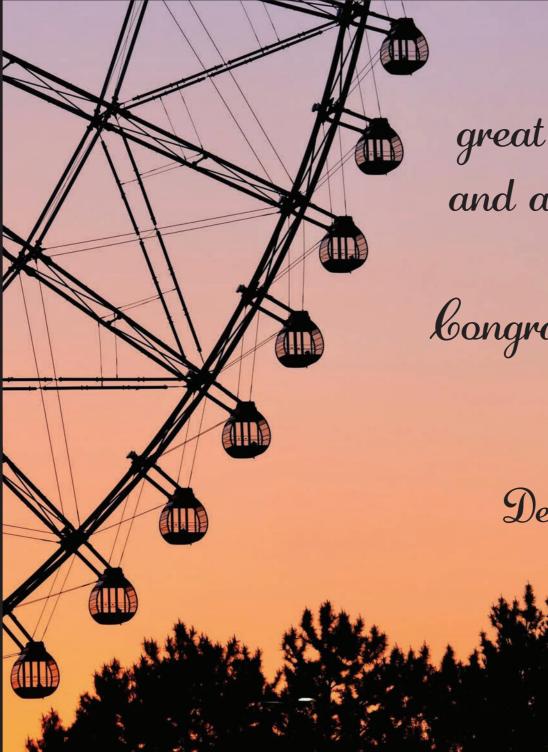
Your retirement is well deserved but your presence will be deeply missed. Thank you for all you have done to improve the lives of children!

-SANDY AND TIM WULIGER

Adam, we are grateful for the leadership you have exhibited and the compassion you have shown to the families and children served by Bellefaire JCB and the Wingspan Care Group. It has been our honor to work alongside you and we look forward to carrying forth your legacy. Best wishes on your well-earned retirement.

Stephanie and Jared Miller.

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It was a great challenge and a fun ride!

Congratulations, Adam!

Debbie bowan

Adam, thank you for your wisdom, your kindness, and your unwavering dedication to children. You've left an indelible mark on all of us, and your influence will be felt long after you've stepped into this new phase of life.

Steve and Carol Eisenberg



Congratulations Adam!

Thanks, we have learned so much from you. From one innovative kid-focused team to another.



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Congratulations on your retirement and grateful for the years of friendship. Looking forward to seeing your next chapter unfold.

Ira and Amy Kaplan



We salute our high-performing grantee-partner



And its highly respected and entrepreneurial leader

Thank you, Adam. We are proud of our decades-long partnership to benefit Cleveland's children with Autism Spectrum Disorders that has resulted in the establishment of:



The Monarch School at Bellefaire JCB The Monarch Boarding Academy Lifeworks Autism Services The Bluestone Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Hospital

Adam G. Jacobs, PhD President

Your visionary leadership and hard work will improve the health and well-being of our children for many years to come.



Ira C. Kaplan Board Chair

Mitchell Balk President

Adam,

congratulations on your well-deserved retirement! Your presence will be deeply missed, but your legacy will continue to inspire us!

Marcy Schwartz and Dan Simon

Adam, thank you for your leadership. Because of your strategic vision and tireless efforts, countless kids and families have been helped. You have made a remarkable difference.

We wish you a wonderful next chapter.

Rob Wolff and Paula Silverman

ADAM, CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT!

The thousands of kids and families that have been served during your tenure join us in wishing you many happy, healthy years ahead!

TOM AND RUTH STAFFORD





Thank you for leading the way.

UB Greensfelder is proud to congratulate **Adam Jacobs** on his well– deserved retirement. Adam's work with Wingspan and Bellefaire JCB created a legacy of compassionate and important care, improving the wellbeing of so many children and families. His unwavering leadership and dedication to service raises the bar in our community and inspires us each day.

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Adam,

You had a vision, and with your ingenuity, dedication and boundless energy you have accomplished so much. You are an inspiration to your family and community for embracing tikkun olam. We hope you enjoy retirement and cannot wait to see what the next chapter brings.

With love, Melissa, Sam and Miho, Hannah and Soaman, Zachary, Zoey, Adira and Dara



Thank you for your unyielding commitment to the children and families of our community. We wish you much health and happiness as you embark on your well-deserved retirement.

Sharon and Brad Sanders

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Congratulations to Adam Jacobs on a stellar career! You have our gratitude as well as the gratitude of children in Cleveland and everywhere! We look forward to seeing your next chapter!

Debbie and Steve Joseph

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Adam,

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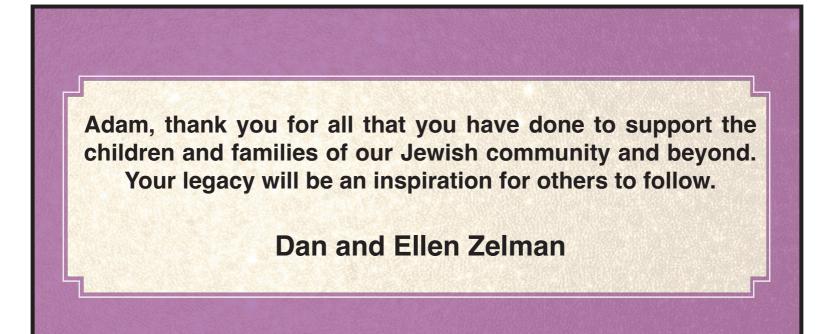
Thank you for your innovative and focused leadership over these many years. May the years to come be fulfilling and provide you happiness.

Richard Bamberger

Congratulations Adam!

Your passion and dedication have truly made a lasting impact at Wingspan agencies, setting a high bar for leadership excellence. Cheers to your next chapter and may it be as fulfilling and rewarding as your illustrious career!

Adam S. Kaufman



Adam, you have been an indefatigable champion for our children and there are no adequate words to express the community's appreciation for all you have done We hope dear friend that you will have a wonderful retirement life. You deserve nothing less.

Warmest sentiments, Ronn and Bess Richard

Congratulations to our dear friend **Adam G. Jacobs** for your unwavering dedication to the community.

Barbara and Alan Rosskamm



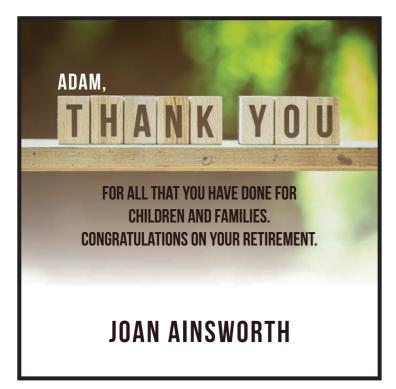
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Adam, We appreciate your innovative and strategic efforts in supporting the needs of children and families for more than three decades. Thanks for allowing us to be part of your journey. You truly made a difference in so many lives!

Julia and Larry Pollock

Adam, congratulations on your retirement. Thank you for all that you have done for children and families in our community.

BRIAN AND STACEY DAVIS



Thank you, Adam, for making the world a better place for our kids. Jan Stern



Adam, we are honored to celebrate your years of tireless service to children and families. Thank you for the incredible contributions you've made and dedication you've shown to the entire Wingspan community.

The Peterman and DeMinico families

Thank you for your leadership and advocacy for the children and families served by Applewood Centers and the rest of the Wingspan Care Group.

Jamie and Kathy Hogg

Adam, Congratulations on your retirement. Thank you for all that you have done for children and families in our community.

Frank and Natalie Wardega



We wish you a wonderful retirement filled with good times & laughter!

Susan Silverberg-Bewie and Rich Bewie

Adam, for generations The Joseph Family has partnered with Bellefaire JCB for the benefit of children and families across our community. Thank you for your leadership and support of the agency's mission which has improved the lives of so many. Enjoy your well-deserved retirement.

Betsy and David Krantz

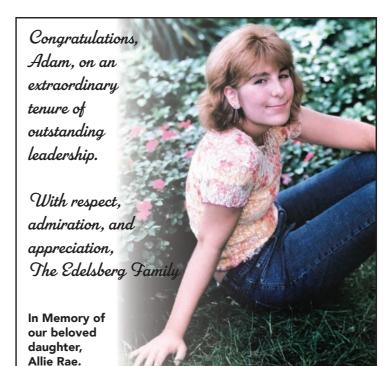
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Marti and Jeff Davis

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It was my honor to work with Adam for so many years.

Dr. Fred C. Rothstein

Adam, may your retirement be as rewarding and fulfilling as your career has been.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment and guidance.

- The Leadership Team of The Wingspan Care Group



Park Edge Advisors Proud Sponsor of the Gala Honoring Adam Jacobs

As Adam Jacobs embarks on his well-deserved retirement, we celebrate not only his years of leadership but also the countless lives he has touched through his unwavering dedication to children and families. His visionary leadership at Wingspan Care Group has created brighter futures for so many, and his legacy will continue to inspire through the Jacobs Fund for the Advancement of Youth and Families.

From all of us at Park Edge Advisors, we extend our deepest gratitude to Adam for his remarkable service and wish him joy and fulfillment in the next chapter of his journey.



Park Edge Advisors is proud to serve the Applewood Investment Committee since 2006 and support financial literacy at The Gerson School.

Adam,

Mazel Tov on your retirement! Your work exemplifies what it means to serve the most vulnerable members of our community with compassion.

We look forward to seeing what comes next for you!

Melanie and Andrew Halvorson

In over a quarter century of sitting on Adam's Boards I have always held huge respect for him, BUT never let him know it

. . . not about to change that now.

SURE, I respected his command of the Agencies' finances, BUT did he really think we believed him when every year he told us next year is going to be awful?

SURE, I respected the way he articulated his passion for Wingspan's mission, BUT I couldn't understand a word he said through that ridiculous accent.

SURE, I respected the way he went down to Columbus and came back with a million dollars, BUT in those tattered tweed sport coats they probably felt he really needed the cash.

SURE, I respected his training dating back to NY and California, BUT did he really have to keep that mustache until we finally shaved it off at a Bellefaire fundraiser.

SURE, I learned a lot from him – About Leadership, Relationships, Passion, and Devotion to a cause. Adam has done so much for the hundreds of thousands of kids he helped during his career.

And there are no BUTs about it!

Adam, thank you for all you have done for "the kids". You have left your Agencies on strong footing.

Wishing you all the best, **Brad Schlang**

Adam, Thank you for all your years of hard work and dedication. Congratulations on a well-earned retirement, and good luck with all future endeavors.

Jim Strassman

Adam, We are **proud** of the work you have done. We are **proud** of the difference you have made in our community. Enjoy your retirement!

Susi and Peter Meisel



Thank you for your 30 years of service!





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Trank you!

On behalf of the 500,000+ children and families served, thank you, Dr. Jacobs. You've helped countless families find strength, hope and healing when they needed it the most.

We wish you all the best in your retirement!

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