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LifeSpan Resources Receives Multiple Grant Awards

Funding will benefit agency's Transportation Program

LifeSpan Resources, a nonprofit serving older adults and individuals with disabilities in Clark, Floyd, Harrison and Scott counties, announced that it has been awarded the following grants:

- The agency received an allocation of \$45,300 from Metro United Way to support transportation service, for the elderly and disabled in Clark, Floyd and Harrison counties.
- LifeSpan was awarded two wheelchair accessible, lift-equipped vehicles for its transportation program through the federal 5310 grant program coordinated locally through Transit Authority of River City (TARC). The grant funds 80% of the cost of the new vehicles; the agency is responsible for raising the 20% match requirement. The vehicles will serve Clark, Floyd and Harrison counties. New vehicles will allow LifeSpan to retire older, high maintenance vehicles.
- The Scott County Community Foundation awarded LifeSpan \$5,000 toward the purchase of a new lift-equipped vehicle to serve in Scott county.
- Samtec, Inc. Sponsorship Group awarded LifeSpan \$10,000 toward the purchase match requirement of new lift-equipped vehicles for the transportation program service in the agency's service area.

Transportation is a social determinant of health and is a critical factor in the ability of these individuals to remain living independently. LifeSpan expresses its gratitude to these community philanthropic organizations for recognizing the critical need for transportation service for older adults and individuals with disabilities.

"We are thrilled with the support we are receiving from our local community funders for this critical program," said Lucy Koesters, LifeSpan's Chief Business Development Officer. "Many of our transportation clients require assistance boarding the vehicles and getting to and from their appointments. Our drivers are compassionate and highly trained to safely transport our older and medically fragile clients."

LifeSpan has been providing transportation service in the southern Indiana area for over 40 years. The agency offers medical, social, and private pay transportation options. For information, please call LifeSpan's Aging and Disability Center (ADRC) and speak to an Options Counselor at 812-948-8330.

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