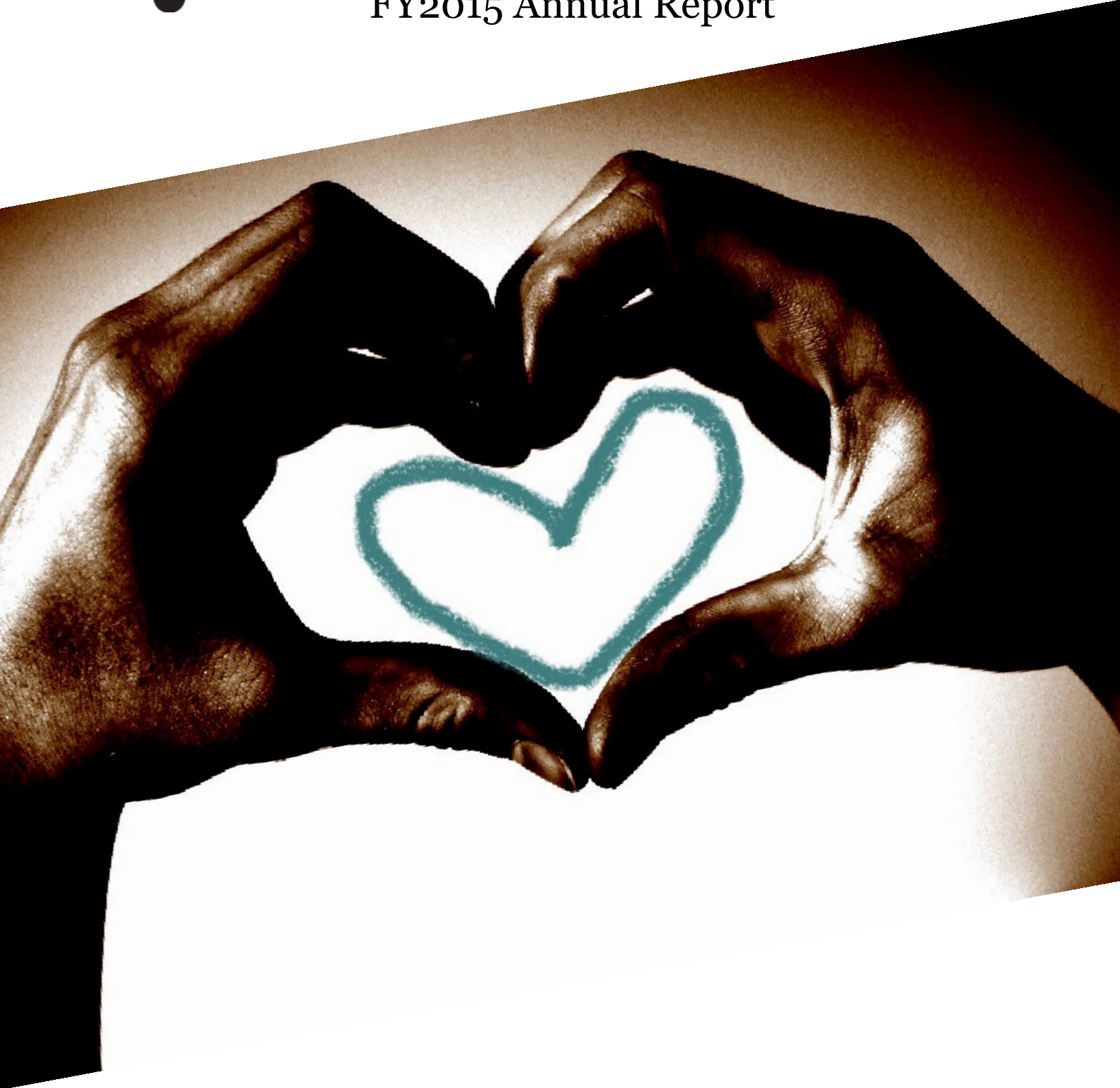




Community Living

FY2015 Annual Report



Message from the Chief Executive Officer:



Community Living is proud to be wrapping up our 36th year as the largest provider of supports to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Frederick County. There are many people and organizations who contribute to our success every year and I would like to thank some of them. First, I would like to recognize and thank our outstanding staff, without whom nothing would be possible. I send my gratitude to our financial supporters, from the individuals who contribute to our annual Snowflake campaign to the foundations that have supported us with grants and gifts to help further our mission. We are also in debt to the many volunteers who have worked on tasks as varied as office work, to yard clean up, to painting to spending time with the people we support. Their generosity and time provides opportunities for fun and interaction that help people increase access to their communities. And, I would like to thank our business partners who provide us with valuable services from groceries to maintenance – all needed to keep 27 homes up and running. Lastly I would like to thank our board of directors and committee members – both of which have grown this past year – for their support and guidance.

While we lost several long time members of our family this past year, we have added many more. As with all families, changes happen but I am proud that CLI can continue to provide quality services that allow people to live, work, play and retire. Looking forward to a prosperous 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael R. Planz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

Michael Planz
Chief Executive Officer



Message from the Chief Financial Officer:



A mentor often told me the only constant is change. That has been evident again in this last year for our agency. On the financial side specifically we've seen the retirement of our long time HUD Administrator, Janet Lucia, and welcomed her replacement, Erin Smith. The State of Maryland's Developmental Disabilities Administration overhauled the funding strategy of our Support Services programs while also dealing with the necessary changes in our other programs focused on maintaining individuals' rights and need to be fully involved in our communities. I've been excited along the way as we find ourselves prepared for changes proposed or, in many cases, already living into the models presented. I truly believe CLI is a leader in our field and our ability to adapt, change and continue to grow in this economic and political environment is just one of many reasons.

The other reason CLI is a leader in our field is you. Our stakeholders, whether a family member, staff, board member, donor or member of the Frederick community, we could not do this without you. Your passion, commitment and involvement behind the scenes or directly with those we serve is the primary reason CLI continues to succeed in our mission and stay true to our vision.

As I said last year, I really could not be more proud to serve as the Chief Financial Officer for this amazing organization. I'm honored to represent Community Living in our community and thrilled when I get the chance to spread the word about all that we do for the individuals we serve.

Thank you for another great year and best wishes for a blessed 2016.

Jeff Griffin
Chief Financial Officer



LIVE.WORK.PLAY.RETIRE

After 35 years of making a difference in the lives of others, Community Living is truly still “growing” to meet the needs of the community.” We are guided strictly by our mission, providing quality services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to ensure that every opportunity is equitable and accessible. And as we lay the groundwork for our day Habilitation Program, we have come full circle. Much like in years past, in 2015 dreams were fulfilled, goals were achieved and lives were enriched in unique ways. Indeed, as reflected in our motto, Community Living was and is the perfect place for people to “live, work, play and retire,” maximizing their full potential in a community that cares.

Live

Home is where the heart is, and Community Living is a haven for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Frederick. Our “family” expanded in 2015 to include more than 150 served by approximately 300 employees. Additionally, through the kindness of friends and partners in the community we were able to refurbish some of our residences, adding modern features that make for a greater quality of life not only for residents who live there, but also for staff who work in the homes.

Work

Part of living in the community is being able to work in it and give back in some way, and in 2015 Community Living continued focusing on job creation and providing services to the Frederick community. Our laundry and jewelry businesses grew, and the revenue from both went directly to the people we serve. Additionally, we focused on building real world skills in areas such as landscaping, retail, janitorial services as well as resume building, interview skills and appropriate attire— all of which help with job acquisition and retention as we strive to keep moving forward.



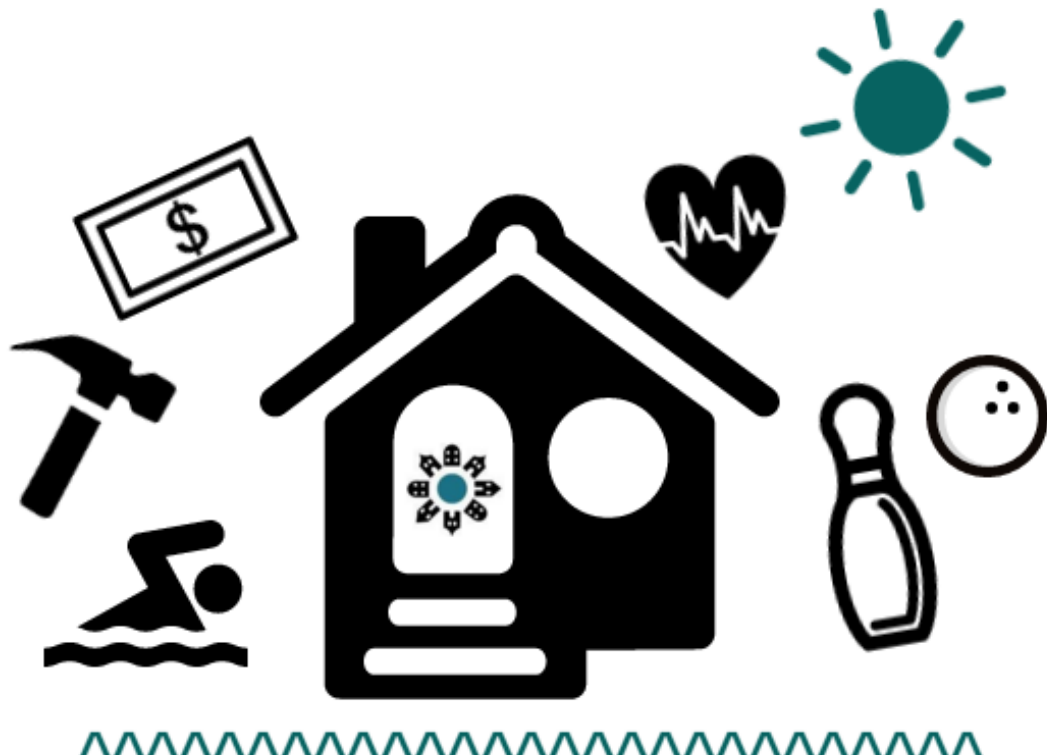
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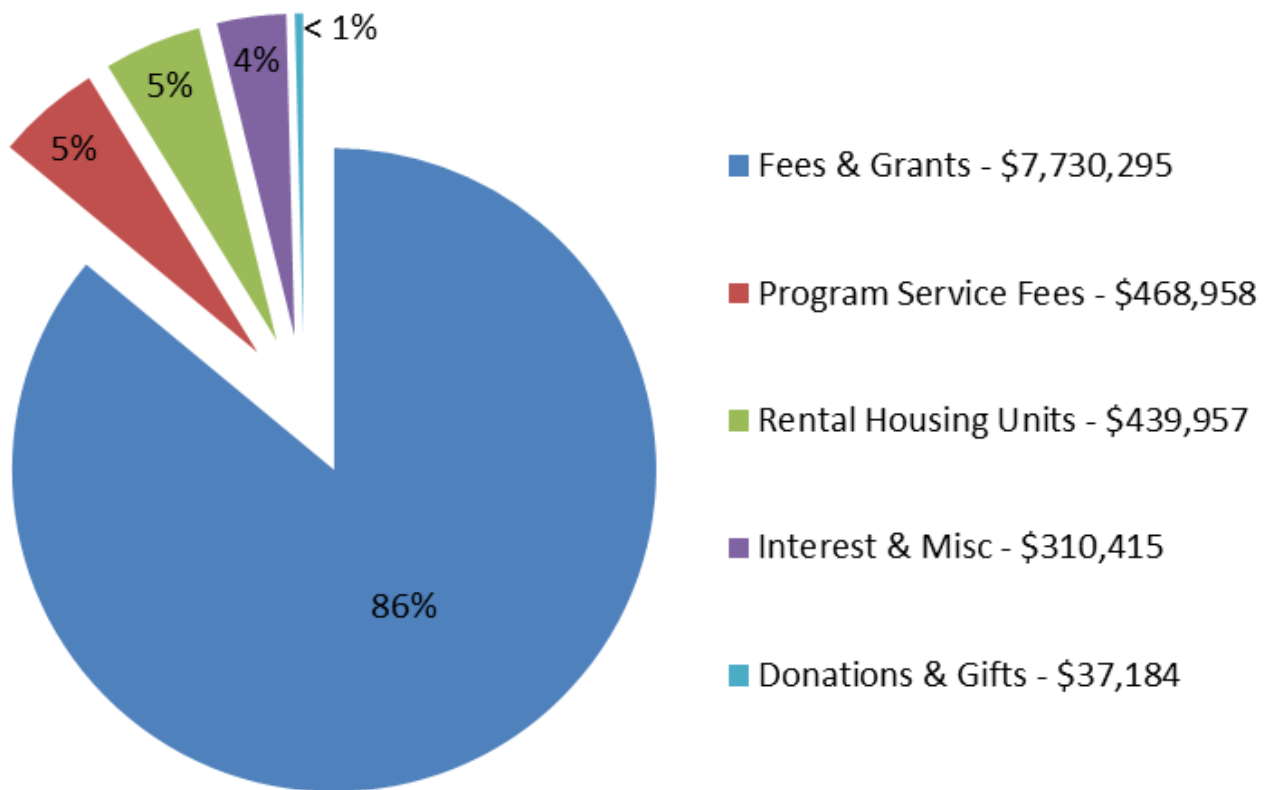
What makes Community Living such a special place is our commitment to being actively involved in the community and helping people live their lives to the fullest. That was our vision at our inception in 1979 and it remained true in 2015. Throughout the year, those receiving support from Community Living could be found basking in an array of activities throughout Frederick and beyond—swimming, attending basketball games and even going on a safari in South Africa.

Retire

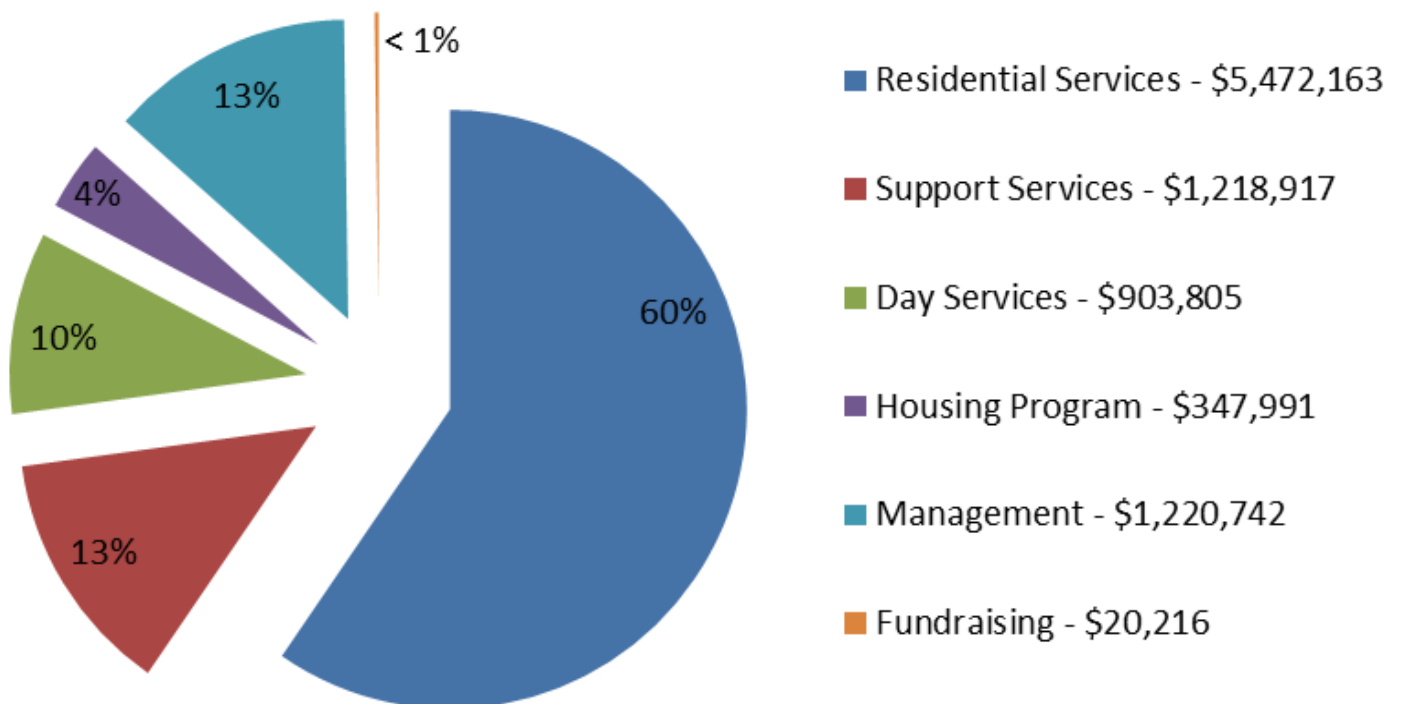
In their later years, the people we serve enjoy their time in every way imaginable. In 2015, fun tasks such as golfing, music appreciation and art lesson made retirement more meaningful and helped to add a little cheer to each day.



FY15 Revenue



FY15 Expenses



FY2015 Financials

July 1, 2014– June 30, 2015

Community Living, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization, and this financial statement was prepared by our Chief Financial Officer, Jeff Griffin. Audited financial statements are available upon request.



A Big Thank you to...

WITH GRATITUDE Community Living is a leader in providing services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities because of the dedication, hard work and compassion of many. We could not and would not have been as successful throughout the years in our day-to-day endeavors without their commitment and we are so grateful. Community Living's volunteer **Board of Directors** continue to steer the agency in the right direction and we are thankful to have them on our side.

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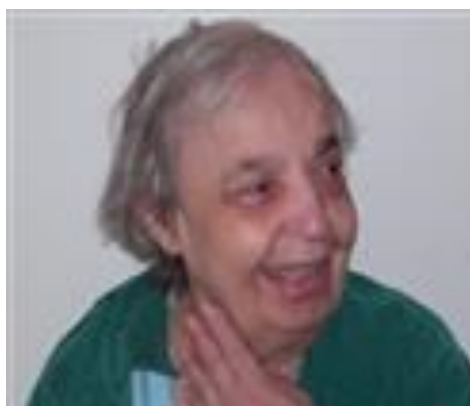


In Loving Memory

*Community Living lost great people this year who will be sorely missed
but certainly never forgotten*



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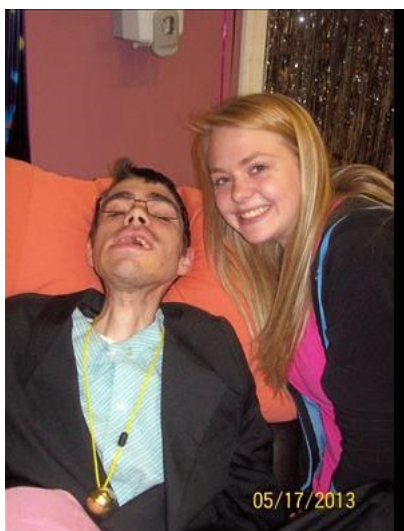
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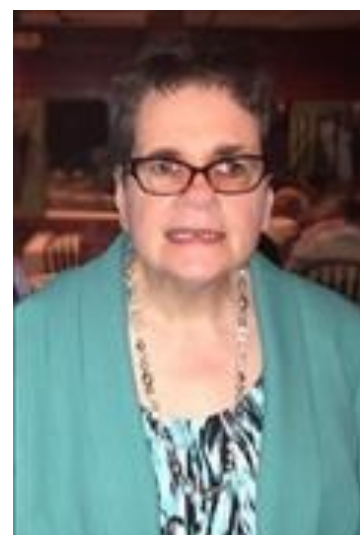
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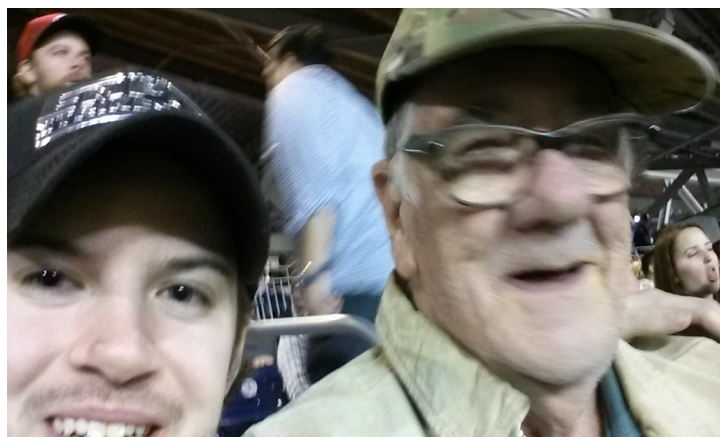
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