



Behind Roxie's Door

A guest story from The Doorways

Roxie arrived at The Doorways during a time when everything felt uncertain, and even the smallest comforts mattered more than ever. Supporting her son through a transplant meant facing long days, difficult moments, and a journey far from home.

With her husband recovering from cancer treatment back home, Roxie faced those early weeks feeling overwhelmed and unsure she could do it alone. What she found instead was a community ready to support her. Shared meals, quiet moments of reflection, and connections with other transplant families reminded her that she was not alone.

Today, Roxie and her son are back home, and he is doing extremely well. Looking back, Roxie says her time at The Doorways changed her by deepening her gratitude, strengthening her empathy, and reminding her how powerful community can be during life's hardest seasons.

"FROM THE MOMENT I ARRIVED, I FELT AT HOME. YOU FEEL SAFE. YOU FEEL LOVED."

the doorways

provides lodging and support for patients and their loved ones who need to be close to the hospital, but not far from the feeling of home.



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Read Roxie's full story and see how community makes a difference.



Every day at The Doorways, volunteers, donors, and partners come together to ensure families have a place to rest, connect, and heal during medical crises. This year, that collective generosity made an extraordinary impact.



25 Years of Walking Together

For 25 years, the Gilbane Restaurant Walk has brought the community together for The Doorways, introducing new supporters to our mission while helping fund guest stays.

This year's event was our most successful yet, made possible by the generosity of Gilbane Building Company and our incredible sponsors, who came together at Main Line Brewery to provide an amazing night for attendees. Thank you all!

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450+ VOLUNTEERS



7,500+ VOLUNTEER HOURS



THOUSANDS OF MEALS SERVED



FAMILIES SUPPORTED FROM ACROSS VIRGINIA AND BEYOND

How can YOU get involved?

Support our guests by volunteering your time or donating items that help create a home-away-from-home. Visit our website to serve a meal, host a Windex Party, or help stock our pantry with needed items!

Our Priority Wishlist

- Air filters (10x20x1 OR 10x24x1)
- Canned fruit
- Individually packaged snacks
- Olive oil
- Ready-to-eat meals (canned soups, instant foods)
- Sturdy paper plates/bowls (microwavable is ideal!)
- To-go (carry-out) containers
- Gift cards to Kroger, Target, Walmart, Amazon, or Visa



Gilbane Beyond the Walk

Gilbane's support extends well beyond the Restaurant Walk! Throughout the year, team members volunteer through Windex Parties, meal service, and hands-on support for our guests.

[VOLUNTEER WITH YOUR TEAM](#) →





SAVOR checks "inn" at HeloAir on March 28, 2026

Inspired by the inns and hospitality that define The Doorways, SAVOR, our largest annual fundraising event, brings together food, fellowship, and philanthropy in support of our mission. Scan to learn more, reserve your seats, or purchase a sponsorship.



The Heart Behind the Meals



Some of the most meaningful moments at The Doorways happen around the dining table. On nights without our dedicated volunteers, guests often come together to cook for one another, sharing not only meals but encouragement, understanding, and friendship.

Recently, a group of guests even prepared a meal for staff as a thank you, a reflection of the care they experienced during their own stays. Their generosity reminds us that even in difficult seasons, kindness continues to ripple outward.

COMING SOON: A BEHIND-THE-SCENES LOOK AT THE STORIES AND CONNECTIONS BEHIND OUR SHARED MEALS.

Celebrating staff who live out our values every day



Our C.A.R.E. Champion initiative recognizes staff who go above and beyond for guests and one another, celebrating the everyday moments that make The Doorways feel like home. Have a nominee in mind? Scan to complete the form online!





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Richmond, VA 23219

“The Doorways house serves as a lifeline, offering more than just a place to stay. It provides a sense of community, understanding, and solace.”

-Guest of The Doorways

24 hours a day. 365 days a year. Our doors never close.

Thanks to our supporters, we are making a difference **together.**

- **Make** a gift online at thedorways.org
- **Mail** a check to the Development Office at 612 E. Marshall Street, Richmond, VA 23219
- **Become** a recurring donor with a scheduled monthly gift to help ensure families have consistent support throughout the year
- **Donate** appreciated stocks or securities
- **Contribute** a qualified charitable distribution from an IRA if you are age 70½ or older
- **Give** through a donor-advised fund (DAF) - a flexible, tax-advantaged way to support The Doorways while planning long-term philanthropy.

Please consult your financial advisor to discuss ways to support The Doorways.



Or scan the QR code for more details on how you can make a meaningful impact.



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