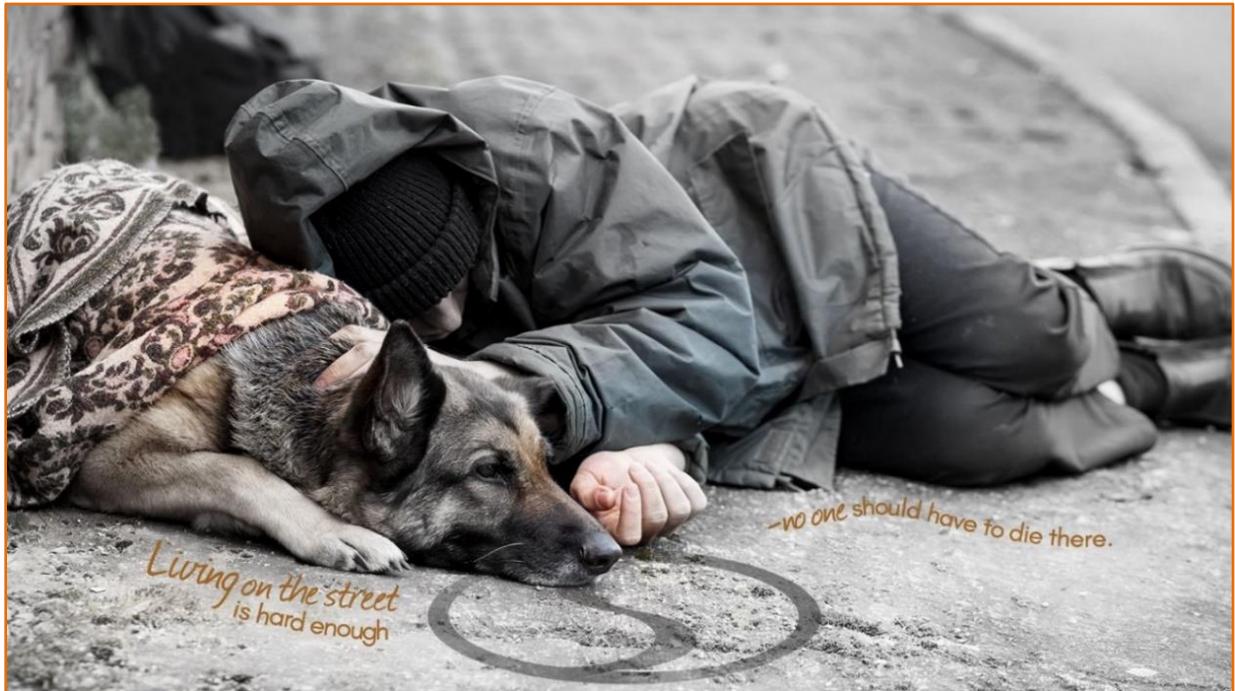




SOLACE FRIENDS

Who We Are



Solace Friends, Inc., (Solace) is a nonprofit organization working to bridge the existing gaps in end-of-life care services for terminally ill people in Dane County.

Our Mission

is to provide a place of compassionate, safe, comfortable presence, and caregiving to our community's most vulnerable people as they face the end of their lives.

- Too many of our community's most vulnerable citizens suffer needlessly as they die. They include those who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity, extreme poverty, mental and emotional health issues, substance abuse disorders, social isolation, and neglect.
- Solace will not only ensure that basic human needs such as shelter, food, hydration, and hygiene are met, the people we serve will receive comprehensive person-centered care that nurtures bodily comfort, emotional, social, and spiritual wholeness, and individual dignity at the end of life.

Our Goal

is to create and maintain a community supported Social Model Hospice Home where underserved individuals receive secure housing and personal support otherwise unavailable to them.

Community, Comfort, & Care at Life's End

Community Impact

- Solace enhances the quality of life for people at high risk of being alone and unsupported at the end of life.
- Solace reduces burdens and barriers that hospice and other support professionals face while trying to serve these individuals, thereby benefiting both care recipients and care providers.
- Solace enriches the overall community by making our county more responsive and inclusive to people who are currently falling through the cracks.



Community Connections

Solace is rooted in the community and relies on strong collaborative relationships with all area hospices, numerous healthcare and homeless service agencies, and many others who share our mission and want to create synergy by working together. We also depend on individuals, small and large businesses, civic and service organizations, foundations, and faith communities that make financial contributions used to cover immediate costs of purchasing and renovating a house and hiring staff, as well as ongoing expenses for programming and operations. Gifts in-kind such as home furnishings, food, and other supplies are also very welcome, as are *pro-bono* services. We also invite individuals to participate as members of our board of directors, serve on our working committees, contribute time and talent as a volunteer, attend events, or simply spread the word.

Our Board of Directors

Our dedicated board members currently include a palliative care physician, end-of-life doula and hospice volunteer, educator, disability advocate, attorneys, community organizer, non-profit administrators, and housing experts.

- Ann Catlett, MD (Pres.)
- Kathy Kamp (Sec.)
- Ed Hughes (Treas.)
- Joan Karan (fund-raising co-chair)
- Rebecca Crandall
- Ms. Charlie Daniel
- Karen Reppen
- Laura Rose