

Dreamweaver - Connecting Hope

CLYDE & JOYCE'S STORY

Sweethearts Clyde and Joyce faced the unthinkable together: dual cancer diagnoses. Nevertheless, their compassion for others shined through as they told us about their lives as dedicated foster parents. We couldn't resist wanting to do something BIG for them as they had spent their whole lives doing BIG things for others.

Bungalows Key Largo, a luxurious all-inclusive resort in the Florida Keys, was the perfect location for this Dream. The couple got to experience the bliss of an ocean vacation where management and staff were happy to treat them like royalty. This once in a lifetime experience for these deserving lovebirds wouldn't have been possible without the support of our generous donors.

Visit Dreamweaver.org to see how you can bring joyful experiences and connection to older adults.



A LOVE AS BIG AS THE OCEAN



CONNECTING HOPE

One of the best ways to overcome feelings of isolation and loneliness is staying socially active, and feeling connected to your community and loved ones — and through our Connecting Hope program, older adults do just that.

Connecting Hope gives the gift of virtual togetherness by providing GrandPad® tablets to older adults in need across the country. GrandPads provide easy access to current events, music, games and video chatting. The large buttons and intuitive interface makes the tablet ideal for older adults who are ready to start connecting with family and friends.

Hope and connection are only a button click away when you give to Dreamweaver. Together, we can enrich the emotional, social and mental health of older adults facing life-limiting illnesses!

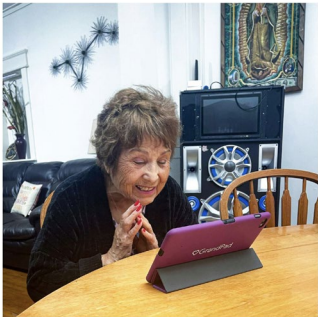
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Dreamweaver connects seniors

Dreamweaver Foundation, a Nebraska-based nonprofit, announced an expanded partnership with GrandPad, bringing its Connecting Hope program to meet the needs of seniors across the U.S. and Puerto Rico.



A woman with short, light-colored hair is sitting at a wooden table, looking at a pink GrandPad tablet. She is smiling and has her hands near the tablet. The background shows a living room with a television, a framed picture, and a plant.

A resident of a GrandPad tablet was thrilled to connect with family.
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DURHAM BOOTH MANOR RESIDENTS ENJOY CHRISTMAS IN JULY WITH THE GIFT OF GRANDPADS



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Sue Barry hasn't seen her two new great-grandchildren yet, but she's hoping that is about to change. Barry, a resident at The Salvation Army's Durham Booth Manor, was one of 31 seniors who recently received a GrandPad, a tablet that is specially designed for older adults to help them connect with their loved ones virtually.

"My great grandbabies were born during COVID times, and COVID changed everything," said Barry. "I'm anxious to see them, and this will help."

The gift of the GrandPads was made possible through a partnership between The Salvation Army and the Omaha-based non-profit Dreamweaver Foundation, which provides GrandPads free of charge to older adults. Since February, Dreamweaver's Connecting Hope program has given away more than 600 tablets across 47 states.

The tablets are designed with senior users in mind, featuring large buttons and fonts, user-friendly features, Zoom connectivity, easy email access and a built-in Internet connection.

"It's like Christmas today," said Tabitha Wachal, program director for Durham Booth Manor, as she handed out the GrandPads. "Many of our residents are low-income, and a device like this, which retails for over \$600, wouldn't be possible for most of our seniors. The Dreamweaver Foundation is literally making dreams come true today."

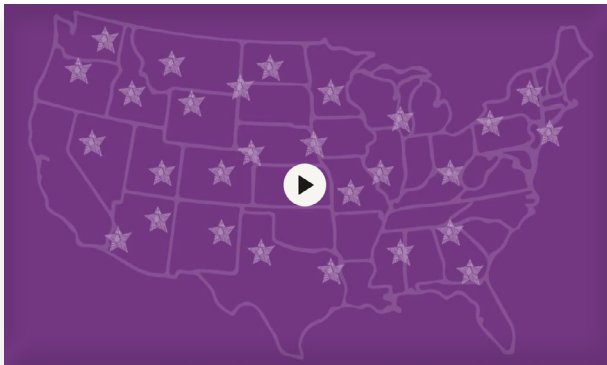
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“One of our GrandPad recipients contacted us recently to share her heartfelt gratitude for our help during one of the most difficult times of her life. She couldn't imagine going through COVID-19, her husband's illness and recent passing without her GrandPad from Dreamweaver Foundation.”

CHERI MASTNY



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