### **Local Solutions**

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# The Parish House A Volunteers of America Community Created by Local Solutions and Community Housing of Maine

## Local Solutions: Working with Partners

Creating inspired housing in the heart of a thriving supportive community on MDI where people with special needs can flourish.

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### Parish House Landscape Restored

Local Solutions is pleased to announce that the long awaited restoration of the Parish House landscape and grounds is now complete. Badly damaged during the renovations, the lawn had deep ruts and dead grass, and shrubs had been totally removed from around the building making for a stark landscape. Local Solutions asked Dennis Bracale, owner of Gardens By Design, for assistance. Dennis quickly agreed to volunteer his time and 30 years of expertise helping with this project.

"When I was asked to consider creating the landscape around the Parish House I quickly decided that it was a wonderful opportunity to help with a project that so many had already given so much time and labor to see to fruition. I am honored that I was able to take part and add some beauty to the lives of everyone now living at the Parish House and to those that love Saint Saviour's Church."

In addition to the lawns and landscaping, there are now 5 wheelchair accessible raised garden beds behind the building, planted and tended by residents and staff and overflowing with vegetables for the Parish House kitchen.

Residents, staff, families and community members are all thrilled with the improvements.



Your donations are welcome:

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#### Celebrate with Us!

The Parish House
1st Birthday

Friday, August 24 3-6 PM

27 Kennebec Street behind St. Saviour's Church.

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