BrightStone provides a comprehensive work, social support, and future residential community for adults with special needs, expanding their potential, and helping them develop mentally, physically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually.

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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BRENDA HAUK

Two years ago we launched an awareness program we call, B.I.G. Events, that is, BrightStone is Growing. These tours and luncheons provide information about BrightStone – our mission and our future vision.

Yet, we still hear from visitors, “We have never heard of BrightStone!” You have helped us realize that we will only be able to meet the needs of individuals with intellectual disabilities when our entire community knows why we exist, the impact of what we do, and what is needed to help more families and their loved ones. The only way to fully grasp the deep need and the broad offerings of our program is to take a tour.

Your impact on our adults and families throughout Middle Tennessee is being felt every day. Simply put, BrightStone cannot exist without you – without your gifts of answering the phone, greeting guests at our door, assisting in the computer lab or ceramics, teaching students one-on-one to write their name or read a book, decorating for an event, bringing food for a party, sponsoring a dance, or providing funds to support our staff and our amazing learning and enterprise program.

You help Jon have the opportunity to learn data entry and do simple math in his head for the first time in his life. You help Jenny have a place to thrive when she won’t get out of the house for any other reason. You help Ryan have confidence that our nurse will meet his medical needs. You help Catherine have a place to grow and continue learning while mom and dad both work. You help Elissa have a safe environment to learn job skills. You help Sarah lose her fear of the computer and have a whole new world of learning open to her.

I could go on and on and fill pages of ways you are impacting lives of each one at BrightStone. Can you imagine how lives will be further impacted when you help provide learning opportunities in independent living on a farm-like campus with animals and a revenue-sustaining horticulture program? The sky’s the limit! The land is ready! The families are waiting!

I hope each of you will come for a tour – see this amazing vision of what BrightStone is about and learn how YOU can be a part of impacting the world! In the words of our wonderful friend, Calvin Lehew, “You have to see it...it changed me!”

BRENDA HAUK
FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

TRANSFORM YOUR ASSETS INTO LIFE-SAVING GIFTS!

Including BrightStone in your estate plan will give adults with intellectual disabilities a better future. Your Planned Gift decision will continue to help adults with special needs long after your lifetime.

- Include a bequest to BrightStone in your Will or Revocable Trust
- Designate BrightStone as a beneficiary of your IRA, 401(k), 403(b) or pension
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For more information, contact Randy Elliott, Dir. of Advancement at 615-790-4888 or randy.elliott@brightstone.org.
EMILY MAGID AND CALVIN LEHEW.

“I would first invite people thinking about giving to this organization, to first go there and see what’s going on - this changed me. We’ve made BrightStone one of our major charities because of what they are doing for people with disabilities. It’s just incredible. You have to be there to see it.”
- Calvin Lehew

BATTLEFIELD REGION AACA WITH RANDY ELLIOTT AND STUDENTS DANI AND BOBBY.

MICHAEL W. SMITH WITH STUDENT RYAN.

“I loved the tour! I don’t know how anyone could walk away not wanting to be a part of BrightStone and participate in your vision. I plan to contact Elaine Farmer in the next few days about volunteer opportunities. Thank you for your service to BrightStone.”
- Leigh Ann Marks

To schedule your tour, please contact us at 615-790-4888 or by email at info@brightstone.org.
2017 WINNING TEAM, AARON DAVIS, LEAH LARKIN, GEORGE MYLES, AND CRAIG NEPRUD.

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2017 JIM HINTON MEMORIAL GOLF BENEFIT

Thank you to golfers and fundraisers for making our 2017 Golf Benefit successful! In 2017, 40 golfers gathered with students and spectators at The Governors Club in Brentwood and had a great day golfing and celebrating BrightStone. Sponsors and support partners joined with players to help raise funds to support the programs and resources BrightStone offers to our students and families. This year, you raised over $125,000. Thank you!

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2017 “MUSIC THAT TOUCHES THE HEART” SONGWRITERS NIGHT

Co-hosts Regg Swanson and Lorraine Ferrell kicked off BrightStone’s 15th annual “Music that Touches the Heart” Songwriters Night. It was a powerful and engaging evening featuring Ricky Skaggs, Michael Card, Gordon Kennedy and many other award winning songwriters. You can see more event info and photos at www.BrightStone.org.

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2017 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

BrightStone’s 15th annual Christmas Program featured favorite songs from all past performances and a record audience of over 700 guests. This passionate performance, free to the community, has become the perfect way for the community to begin the holiday season. You can view the full performance on our home on the web, www.BrightStone.org.

THANK YOU TO OUR 2017 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM SPONSORS

Presenting Sponsors Special Thanks To

Judi and Taylor Fin cannon
2018 “MUSIC THAT TOUCHES THE HEART” SONGWRITERS NIGHT

BrightStone’s 16th annual “Music that Touches the Heart” Songwriters Night was a night to remember. With award winning performers to grace the BrightStone stage, this Songwriters Night was hailed as one of the best in our 16 year history. Michael W. Smith gave one of the most moving and memorable performances and his award-winning talent continues to touch hearts and transform lives. We were blessed to have Nashville’s own Rudy Kalis as our emcee to bring to the stage Smith, Mystery Trip - Gordon Kennedy, Saul Zonana, and Rob Arthur, and renown songwriters Tim Nichols and Neil Thrasher. Special thanks to our Presenting Sponsor, Star Physical Therapy, our event hosts, Beth and Don Stinnett, and to all the amazing artists who performed.

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SAVE THE DATE: THE BIG PAYBACK AND BOWLABILITY 2018!

THE BIG PAYBACK: MAY 2
BOWLABILITY: AUGUST 6 & 7
MEANINGFUL WAYS TO GIVE

HERE ARE A FEW WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT THE MISSION OF BRIGHTSTONE.

- Volunteer Your Time
- Donate an item of value (in-kind) for our next auction
- Be a sustaining partner - sign up for automatic monthly donations
- Donate (transfer) shares of appreciated stock
- Make a pledge and pay anytime in 2018
- Participate in BrightStone’s Bowlability or Golf events
- Become a Corporate Sponsor
- Purchase Student Products
- Donate an item from our Wishlist Online
- Sign up for Amazon Smile or Kroger Community Cares Giving
- Sign up for Middle Tennessee Electric SharingChange Program

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