

Blue Hills
community services



Norman Rotert
Endowment
Fund



A LEGACY OF QUALITY HOUSING



Norman Rotert, a Kansas City priest of the Catholic Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, has spent a lifetime leading the people of God with joy and with grace as he became known as a leader of vision, a man with courage and extraordinary ability, a man who consoled the broken hearted, empowered the vulnerable, and tried always to respond to the call of God's spirit.

Father Rotert founded Blue Hills Homes Corporation in 1974, later renamed Blue Hills Community Services (BHCS), in an effort to ensure the rights that are rooted in the heart of Catholic social teaching: to build homes for those who have none, to provide jobs, food, clothing, and education for all, to strive for dignity for every human person.

Kansas City is a *City of Neighborhoods* and **Blue Hills Community Services** is making significant investment and improvements in our city's urban core. For 34 years, BHCS has been a catalyst for neighborhood development and revitalization with new and renovated single family homes for home ownership, multi-family development, home repair services to owner occupants, property management, community organizing and resident services. We ensure development is comprehensive and sustainable in creating healthy urban communities by:

- Constructing sustainable, safe, healthy affordable housing
- Increasing homeownership opportunities in urban neighborhoods
- Integrating energy efficiency standards to ensure environmental stewardship
- Strengthening communities by encouraging pride of ownership and providing educational programs
- Fostering community partnerships and collaboration to promote reinvestment



THE GIFT THAT PRESERVES A COMMUNITY

A gift to the **Norman Rotert Endowment**, a restricted, board designated fund, will help Blue Hills Community Services continue to address the challenges of our urban communities and provide stability through challenging economic times to assure that help is available when it's needed most.



"Community cannot long feed on itself, it can only flourish with the coming of others from beyond: their unknown and undiscovered sisters and brothers."

- Howard Thurman



Gifts of any amount are warmly welcomed and may be made "In Honor Of" or "In Memory Of" a person of your choice. Matching gifts by employers are enthusiastically encouraged. To view an in-depth organizational profile and make a credit card donation on a safe, secure site, go to: www.bhcsmo.org and click on the DonorEdge® logo.

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Our Mission:

Revitalize communities, improve neighborhoods and enhance quality of life through collaboration, housing, education and community services.

Our Vision:

Building Neighborhoods, Strengthening Communities

Blue Hills Community Services (BHCS), a not-for-profit community development corporation, has been a catalyst for neighborhood development for 34 years. Founded in 1974, BHCS set out to battle social and economic challenges faced by residents of the Blue Hills and surrounding neighborhoods in Kansas City, Missouri. Using a block by block strategy to focus neighborhood revitalization with new and renovated single family homes, multi-family development and home repair services to owner occupants, BHCS ensures neighborhood development is comprehensive and sustainable in creating healthy urban communities.