

## SUMMER NEWS: Garden Tour, LACASA Collection Move & More!

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## LACASA Summer Happenings!

### Garden Tour is on the Horizon!

Join us as we celebrate a quarter century of one of LACASA's longest running events on Saturday, July 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Take a self-guided tour of six beautiful Livingston County gardens at our 25th annual Garden Tour. At the tour's midway point, our free refreshment station, *Petals Café*, again awaits for you to bask in the scenery, socialize, and browse the Blooming Raffle offerings.

This year, we will also honor **Hazel Bostic**, the recipient of LACASA's inaugural Blossom Award. Hazel, a master gardener from Howell, has been an invaluable Garden Tour volunteer for more than two decades and helped make this event what it is today.

We've also added a fun twist to our *Stargazer Scavenger Hunt*, which this year features beautiful works by acclaimed wildlife artist and illustrator **Michael Glenn Monroe**. One of his live-edge wood paintings is hidden in each garden. Find them all, submit your form, and you'll be automatically entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card to Bordine's of Brighton!

To purchase tickets or learn more about Garden Tour, click [HERE](#) or the button below.

[Learn More](#)

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### Pride Month Wrap-Up!

LACASA was pleased to be one of the many resource booths at the 2024 Pride Parade hosted by the **Livingston Diversity Council** in downtown Howell.

This was a great opportunity to share awareness and advocacy information, and we are grateful for those who stopped by with stories about the impact LACASA has on their lives.

Our organization is honored to support the LGBTQ+ community year-round, and we are committed to a discrimination-free workplace and to advocating, cultivating, and preserving a diverse and inclusive environment.

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## Our Home for Good Website is Live!

Cutting the ribbon on our Home for Good didn't just open our doors to the public, it also marked the launch of the final phase of our **Capital Campaign**.

Thanks to a generous outpouring, we have already raised the \$12 million needed to construct this building. Now, we need your help to finish, pay off, and secure our Home for Good.

We've launched a new, **specialized website** that details how we got where we are today and the many ways you can help support our state-of-the-art facility.

\*Bonus: right now your donation is matched, dollar for dollar!\*

To learn more and make a donation, click [HERE](#) or the button below.

Donate Now!

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## We're Hosting a Blood Drive!

LACASA and the American Red Cross have partnered for a blood drive. Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

**When:** Tuesday, July 16, 2024

**Time:** 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

**Where:** LACASA Center, 1920 Tooley Rd., Howell, MI 48855

Walk-in donors are welcome, but appointments are preferred. [Click here to make an appointment.](#)

If free cookies and juice aren't enough of an enticement, consider this: nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every two to three seconds, and most of us will need blood at some point in our lives. As an added bonus, scheduled donors will receive a ticket to a Cedar Fair theme park of your choice.

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## Fourth of July Closing!

Our administrative offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4 in observance of Independence

Day. Emergency services will remain open and operate uninterrupted.

LACASA will resume normal business hours on **Friday, July 5**.

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## LACASA Collection is on the Move!

Have you heard? LACASA Collection is moving to Tanger Outlets Howell!

Moving an entire store is no easy task, and our dedicated team has been working hard to ensure this move happens as quickly and as smoothly as possible. As you may have noticed, our staff and volunteers have been winding down operations at the Kroger/Crossroads Plaza location.

What you can't see just yet is the incredible transformation those same people are working on at the new location at Tanger Outlets Howell, where LACASA Collection will eventually occupy three storefronts next to the Polo Ralph Lauren Factory Store. No firm grand opening has been set, but be on the lookout for an announcement later this summer!

Interested in helping out? Browse our store move wish list for items/services LACASA Collection needs. View the store move wishlist [HERE](#).

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