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Tarboro Assisted Living Facility Wins 2024 Long-Term Care Facility Best Practice Award

Friends of Residents in Long-Term Care is thrilled to present our annual award, the 2024 Long-Term Care Facility Best Practice Award to [The Bridges of Hendricks Creek](#).

The Bridges of Hendricks Creek is a 64-bed assisted living facility located in Tarboro, North Carolina.

When nominated, this facility was described as innovative, dynamic, and resident driven. Residents choose and direct activities they participate in. Tyronda Whitaker, Regional Long-Term Care Ombudsman for [Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments](#) noted several memorable events including the Circle of Life Christmas which was spearheaded by residents who invited community members and organizations to decorate holiday trees. The trees were then displayed at a formal ceremony and the media covered the event. Residents also hosted a formal tea party with donated porcelain sets, fancy hats, and more. The Bridges of Hendricks Creek has intergenerational partnerships and hosts back-to-school donation events with members of the Tarboro High Football Team. Team members visit with residents and former and current football players connect during visits.

Residents are often seen out in the community at the local library, shopping, at movies, or other town events.

Tyronda Whitaker noted, “the energy is apparent entering the door and you can hear the laughter before you physically see the engagement.”

Victoria Bedard, Sales Manager at The Bridges of Hendricks Creek says, "At The Bridges of Hendricks Creek, we're not just providing care, we're creating a community where every resident feels valued, respected, and truly at home."

About the Award

The Long-Term Care Facility Best Practice Award is an annual award given to a facility that excels in the industry by providing quality care and who, in turn, advances residents' quality of life. The award will be given at the [Friends of Residents in Long-Term Care's Annual Fall Gala](#) to be held virtually on Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

About Friends of Residents in Long-Term Care

[Friends of Residents in Long Term Care \(FOR\)](#) is an independent, nonprofit organization committed to advancing the quality of life for the 100,000 individuals who receive long-term care in North Carolina. We serve as the consumer voice for families, caregivers, and residents in skilled nursing homes and assisted living communities.