COMPASS HOUSING ALLIANCE

A Division of
Lutheran Community Services Northwest

An important update on Fidelity Charitable DAFS

Compass Housing Alliance and Lutheran Community Services Northwest merged on January 1, 2026, and now share the same EIN tax identification number in the Fidelity Charitable systems. Donors should include **"Compass Housing Alliance"** in the **Special Purpose/Designation** field when recommending a DAF grant.

Special Purpose/Designation:
Compass Housing Alliance

This simple step helps ensure gifts are correctly attributed to Compass, supports accurate tracking and acknowledgment, and reduces the risk of delays or confusion in processing. While grants will continue to be paid through LCSNW, including the designation clearly communicates donor intent and helps ensure gifts are recognized as support for Compass Housing Alliance.

A merger with greater opportunities

Together, we have the opportunity to connect housing with a broader continuum of services, expand our regional impact, and show up for communities in ways neither organization could do alone. Christopher Ross, Compass Housing Alliance President, shared these words in January.

"When Rev. Otto and Alva Karlstrom founded what would become Compass and LCSNW, they recognized something fundamental about human dignity. They understood that food, shelter, and safety are essential—but they are not enough. Their mission was to care for the whole person. To see people. To love people. That legacy shaped Compass for more than a century, and as we enter this new chapter as a division of LCSNW, it is not fading—it is being elevated.

Our mission remains. Our values remain. Our identity remains. Compass will continue to be Compass. What expands is our stability, our capacity, and our ability to meet the scale of need in a region that continues to call on us."

Thank you for your ongoing support of Compass. If you have any questions about your gift, please feel free to contact **Anne Jannetti** – ajannetti@compasshousingalliance (206) 485-3223

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