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Sunnyside Village Hires Chris McGee as New Executive Director

SARASOTA, Fla (February 10, 2022) – Sunnyside Village has hired Chris McGee, a veteran of the aging services field, as the popular community’s new Executive Director.

McGee brings 20 years of experience to the position, most recently as vice president of operations with a large senior care organization where he oversaw 23 senior living communities from Vermont to Ohio to Florida.

“Sunnyside Village really is a special place,” McGee said. “There’s a special feeling when you come into the community. It feels like home, not a senior living community. It’s a warm, inviting place to live.”

McGee replaces J. David Yoder, Sunnyside’s executive director for the past 14 years, who retired officially a few days before McGee began in January, in order to ensure a smooth transition.

Curtis Ross, chair of the Search Committee, said the Sunnyside Village Board of Directors was impressed with McGee’s personal and professional values, relational approach, operational knowledge and previous experience in campus development and expansion.

“Chris’ leadership experience with Life Plan Communities will continue to make us a premier choice for current and future residents,” Ross said. “His desire to continue our mission of honoring God will further our impact in the community in a way unique to Sunnyside.”

McGee also brings hands-on, direct-care experience, as he began in the field while in college working as a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant. He earned a BA in Healthcare Administration from Providence College in 2001, and since then he has worked in a management capacity in the field at for-profit organizations.

“I had a vision to get into a senior living community, ideally Christian based, that had a non-profit mission,” McGee said. “Working for a non-profit, the mission itself really meets the margin.”

MHS Consulting was engaged by the Board to conduct a national search with the Search Committee. The process included written surveys, virtual interviews, in person interviews,

reference and background checks, and sharing of organizational information with the candidates.

McGee and his wife, who is a nurse, have two grown children and are active in their church.

“I am convinced that Sunnyside is an amazing operation blessed by God,” McGee said. “It is an honor to be able to help lead Sunnyside into its next chapter.”

Sunnyside Village is a not-for-profit Christian senior living community. Since 1968, Sunnyside’s mission has been to honor God by enriching the lives of residents, staff and the community by providing homes, services and programs in a Christian environment. Sunnyside Village offers independent living, assisted living, short-term rehabilitation, long-term comprehensive care, and palliative care all within our distinctive 35-acre neighborhood. SNF#1535096, AL#0007952
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