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Kettering Health Senior Living Partners with Community First Solutions

MIAMISBURG, **Ohio**, November 1, 2023 – Kettering Health Senior Living (formerly Sycamore Glen Retirement Community) has entered a long-term strategic partnership with Community First Solutions. Starting today, Community First Solutions will support the facility's operations, lending their senior living expertise to support the development, advancement, and innovation of programming, practices, and procedures for Kettering Health Senior Living's business model.

Kettering Health Senior Living has served Greater Dayton since the 1970s, originally opening to provide care for retired Kettering Health employees. It now includes independent living houses, apartments, and assisted living all conveniently located on the campus of Kettering Health Miamisburg.

"We want our residents and their loved ones to have the utmost confidence in the depth of expertise and care, as well as the longevity of our programs at Kettering Health Senior Living," explained Erica Schneider, president of Kettering Health Miamisburg. "As one of our largest populations has reached retirement age amidst rapid changes in healthcare policy, Medicare, and more, this partnership with Community First Solutions will help us provide the best care in a collaborative context."

Headquartered in Butler County, Community First Solutions is a nonprofit network with an established history of caring for older adults, through innovative programs and scalable and sustainable models of care. Community First Solutions has a long history of partnering with Kettering Health Hamilton, making them an established, trusted partner in this new joint venture with Kettering Health Senior Living.

"Connecting our expertise and mission to focus on the care of Kettering Health Senior Living residents is at the heart of this partnership," explained Community First Solutions President and CEO Brett Kirkpatrick. "As healthcare continues to become more complex, our operational insights, processes, and deep experience in caring for seniors will help guide Kettering Health Senior Living into the future. This partnership is well aligned with our mission and growth strategy, leveraging our shared service business model to strengthen a long-standing partnership and expanding our regional senior living footprint."



The new partnership is focused on strategic leadership, operational expertise, and gaining efficiency and scale, but no facilities or properties will be sold to Community First Solutions. Kettering Health leadership will also approve any recommendations provided by Community First Solutions.

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As a faith-based, not-for-profit health system, **Kettering Health** strives to improve the lives of people in our communities through healthcare and education. Kettering Health is made up of 15 medical centers and more than 120 outpatient locations throughout western Ohio, as well as Kettering Health Medical Group—with more than 700 board-certified providers dedicated to elevating the health, healing, and hope of the community. Kettering College, a division of Kettering Health Main Campus, is a fully accredited college that specializes in health science education. For more, visit ketteringhealth.org.

Established in 1918, **Community First Solutions** is headquartered in Hamilton, Ohio. They operate Berkeley Square and Westover - two top-rated Continued Care Retirement Communities - and Jamestowne, a 5-Star post-acute care facility. They recently acquired Montage Mason, a free-standing Assisted Living & Memory Care facility. The addition of Montage Mason increases Community First's number of senior living residents to 510, total number of regional employees to 610, and Annual Operating budget to \$59 Million. While their deepest roots are in the senior living industry, as an organization focused on meeting a diverse scope of health and wellness needs, Community First also provides behavioral health services, pharmacy services, and community based supports for older adults in Southwestern Ohio.