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# A Decade of Strength, A Future of Possibility

#### Dear Friends,

As you probably know, 2025 marks an extraordinary milestone—InMotion® is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> birthday!

As we reflect on this first decade, I'm filled with gratitude for the community that made it all possible. In 2014, a passionate group of founders dreamed of a place where people with Parkinson's disease could find strength, support, and hope. Today, that dream has grown into a thriving hub of healing and empowerment, thanks to the unwavering support of our clients, donors, volunteers, and partners.

In 2024 alone, we've witnessed a record 33,000 client visits—and we're on track to reach 36,000 in 2025. We've launched the InMotion® Endowment Fund to secure our long-term future, and we're expanding our reach through our work with the Kirk Gibson Center for Parkinson's Wellness, who are licensing the InMotion Approach® to help people in the Detroit area. These exciting developments reflect our commitment to ensuring that people with Parkinson's disease have access to life-changing care and support, wherever they are, for as long as they need it.

Every person who walks through our doors adds a new layer to the InMotion® story. Whether it's in a Better Every Day® class, a quiet moment

in the Art Workshop, or a fundraising milestone like Colton Levey's incredible tribute to his dad, each story reminds us why we do this work.

Thank you for being a vital part of our journey. Your support fuels everything we do, and we are deeply honored to walk this path with you. Here's to the next ten years—and to helping more people feel better every day.

Warmly,

Cathe Schwartz

**CEO** 



On May 20, 2024, more than 140 friends of InMotion®—including donors, clients, and volunteers—gathered at the Allan Goldberg Center to celebrate a big milestone: **InMotion's 10th birthday!** 

CEO Cathe Schwartz kicked off the evening with heartfelt thanks to the people who've supported InMotion® from the start. Then came a moving panel discussion featuring three of InMotion's founders—Dr. David Riley, Dr. Karen Jaffe, and Ben Rossi—along with Kathy Goldberg Cohen and Amy Handel, representing late founders Allan Goldberg and Lee Handel.





The group shared powerful memories, including the biggest challenges in the early days, how InMotion® has grown beyond their original vision, and how the journey has changed their lives. There was laughter, inspiration, and even a few tears.

Board President **Patty Inglis** followed with a look at how far we've come—and where we're headed next:

- 33,000+ client visits in 2024, with 36,000 expected in 2025
- A new Parkinson's wellness center opening in Detroit, which will license the InMotion Approach®
- The launch of the InMotion® Endowment Fund to help sustain our future

The evening wrapped up with birthday cake, a champagne toast, and lots of hugs. We raised our glasses to ten years of community, healing, and hope—and to the next ten years and beyond!



Thank you for being part of this incredible journey.
We couldn't do it without you!



















#### Have you seen the NEW InMotion® website?

Explore our fresh look, improved navigation, and all the resources you need at www.beinmotion.org.

# Healing Through Art: Inside InMotion's Art Workshop



At InMotion®, healing often takes shape in color, texture, and creativity. Led by artist Steven Greenberg, the **Art Workshop** offers people with Parkinson's disease a chance to engage their hands and minds through painting, collage, maskmaking, and more.







This unique class blends fine motor exercise, creative expression, and meditative focus. Participants explore a variety of media—acrylics, watercolors, oil pastels, and soft pastels—while being encouraged to create artwork inspired by their own experiences. Mask-making allows for deeper expression through symbols and visual storytelling.



New in 2024, **multi-media collage** adds another therapeutic layer. Choosing from materials like fabric, buttons, cards, and ribbon, clients create meaningful art while strengthening hand-eye coordination and cognitive function. These creations often spark memories and conversation, enriching the class experience.

Creative expression has been shown to increase dopamine production in the brain and reduce stress—both especially important for people with Parkinson's disease. At InMotion®, art becomes a tool for healing, resilience, and joy.

Watch the video below, created by Art Workshop instructor Stephen Greenberg:

https://vimeo.com/784385776/2edb59f3bf



We are grateful to our generous donors who make programs like the Art Workshop possible. Your support brings color, connection, and creativity into the lives of those we serve. Thank you for helping our clients feel better every day!



# View InMotion's 2024 Impact Report

**Click Here** 

### Colton Levey Runs for InMotion®—and for His Dad



Colton minutes before the start of the Cleveland Marathon

When Colton Levey decided to run his first half marathon, he chose to make it meaningful by raising funds for InMotion®—the place that's made a big difference in his father Scott's life since his Parkinson's diagnosis earlier this year.

Using our new **Milestone Fundraisers** platform, Colton set a \$5,000 goal and began sharing his and his dad's story across social media—including a heartfelt video chronicling their journey (see link at bottom left).



His efforts paid off: Colton raised **more than** \$17,000 for InMotion®!

He also finished the Cleveland Half Marathon in **1 hour and 57 minutes**—a personal record and a powerful tribute to his dad.

Watch Colton's video
"Do it for Dad" by clicking the
play button above

# Congratulations - and THANK YOU - to Colton!

Want to turn your next big moment into a fundraiser for InMotion®? Contact Chief Development & Communications Officer Wendy Voelker at 216-342-4016 or wvoelker@beinmotion.org.

## A Letter from MaryBeth Houlahan

Thank you from a Ten-Year Client

Dear Friends,

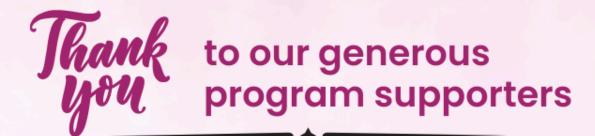
Ten years ago, in the spring of 2015, at the age of 51, I received the life changing diagnosis of Parkinson's Disease. My concerns and fears regarding my future and the effects on my family were overwhelming. I knew of no one who had the disease and had no one to whom I could voice my fears and concerns. I heard about a PD conference in Akron but was very leery about attending. I was very scared to see my future in real life, but my husband convinced me to go and we did. It was there that I stopped at the InMotion® booth, met Ben Rossi, and found the hope that I needed to keep going.

I began attending the BED, Yoga, and boxing classes in the fall of 2015. Since then, I have not only reaped the benefits of those classes, I also developed a wonderful support system of friends dealing with the same issues, fears, and concerns as I. Ten years later we are still exercising together, getting **BETTER EVERY DAY!** We also enjoy occasionally getting lunch together (as shown in the photo below - that's me at the far left).

InMotion® is lifesaving in so many ways. I couldn't be more grateful for all they have done for me.

#### MaryBeth Houlahan





- Mindful Movement classes supported by David and Gail Stein
- Music That Moves You classes supported by Cuyahoga Arts & Culture
- Spinning classes supported by Cleveland Clinic
- Drums Alive! classes supported by Marlene G. Krause
- Say It Like You Mean It and The LOUD Crowd classes supported by Tim & Barb Skola
- Better Every Day Cardio/Falls
   Prevention classes supported by the
   Consolidated Anti-Aging Foundation
- Climbing for PD classes supported by The Arminius Foundation
- Yellow Level programming supported by the Harry K. and Emma R. Fox Charitable Foundation



Secure the future of the life-changing programs at InMotion® by making a planned gift today. Your generosity ensures that individuals with Parkinson's disease continue to receive vital support - at no cost to them - for years to come.

Leave a lasting legacy to InMotion® and help us ensure a bright future—

start planning your gift now!

For more information, <u>visit our website</u> or contact
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