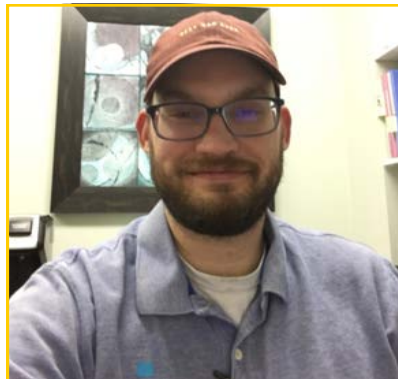# #MyWhy

"My fear of giving Covid to my family and friends or to the residents we serve was greater than any reservations I may have had about the vaccine. I'm thankful for the opportunity to get protected from this awful disease." – Leslie Fryar, Executive Director

"I was vaccinated because I want to get back to seeing people smile! I want to hug my loved ones in full confidence that I have done everything I can to protect them." - Julie Clark, HR Manager

"The Covid 19 pandemic will continue to be a global problem until we are able to control its spread. Accepting the vaccine means that I won't get the virus and more importantly, that I won't be a carrier - this makes me a part of the solution." Ian Stewart - Director of Residential Services

I chose to get vaccinated to not only protect myself, but to also protect the residents here at the community as well as my family. – Tamieka Hawkins, Director of Social Services

"I got vaccinated to protect myself, my family and my community. I feel it is our duty to personally contribute to herd immunity so we can get back to being able to enjoy our lives." – Marie Hallett, Occupational Therapist/Interim DOR

"We have to get rid of Covid from society." - Rodney Alles, DON

"The reason I got vaccinated was to keep the ones I love safe. My wife has a heart condition that puts her at high risk and the residents that we work so hard for and care so much about are all at elevated risk. I would do anything for these people, so something as simple as getting vaccinated against COVD-19 was an easy decision." – Brian Snyder, Director of Dining Services

"I got vaccinated because I thought it was my moral responsibility to prevent the spread of this horrific virus." - James Betsill, Executive Chef

"As a chaplain, I believe God's gift of life is precious to say the least (both physical life and eternal life). Jesus says "I came that they have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10). Another precious gift from God is human freedom. Therefore, I have chosen freely to take the COVID vaccine for the precious gift of life for my family, our residents and my fellow staff members." - Joseph Gaston, Chaplin

"To take the vaccine is a personal choice but one that could potentially affect others. Back in July I had Covid. While my symptoms were mild my anxiety ran high.... wondering if I would get worse, wondering if I would be able to attend my daughter's wedding that was 20 days away, wondering who else might get sick. Two days after my symptoms appeared my mom also started showing symptoms. I had passed the virus to her. I don't want to have Covid again. I don't want to miss any special occasions and I certainly don't want to give the virus to anyone else. While I take the vaccine for me, I take it for others as well! - Patricia Thorton, Companion

"I was one of the people who said "I wouldn't take the vaccine, it was way to quick" but after a few nights of research for myself, I changed my mind. I had too quit listening to the what if's and start trusting science and the doctors. I'm ready to start seeing the number of cases go down and in order for them to go down we are ALL gonna have to do our part. And I feel like taking the vaccine was MY PART!" - Amy Roberts, CNA

"I got the vaccine to protect my children, my coworkers and residents at Foothills, my community, and the world we all share. With hopeful prayers for better days to come!" - Barbara Luccia, Registered Dietician

"I took the vaccine for the safety of my family and because I want to create a safe work environment for the residents." - Ailee McKain, Director of Life Enrichment

"I got the vaccine because I believe in the science behind it." - Coleman Gibbs, Life Enrichment Coordinator