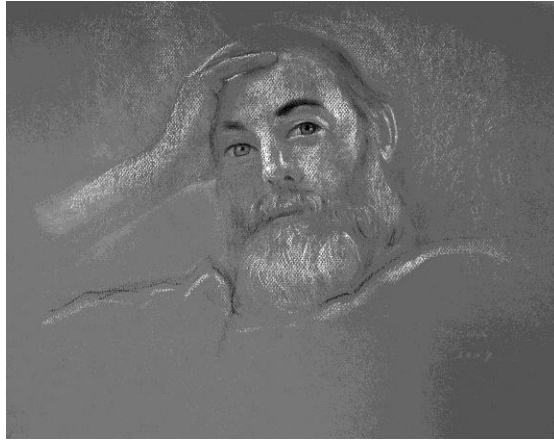


VINCE LIQUE
GREATER LYNN SENIOR SERVICES, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 1982-2006



Chances are you may never have heard of Vince Lique. Yet, he was a true community leader, cherished friend, and yes, a hero to a great many people. He was a man who loved life deeply, who understood the extraordinary gifts that simply living each day to the fullest will bring, and who remained committed to the overriding principles of justice and equality. Vince led by example and with compelling vision. Much of his professional energy focused on protecting the rights, meeting the needs, and celebrating the richness and diversity of the roles that elders and people with disability can play in our society. Vince was an inspired champion of meaningful social change.

When Vince Lique arrived as the new Executive Director of Greater Lynn Senior Services (GLSS) in the fall of 1982, the Agency's staff numbered about 50 and its annual budget was less than \$2 million. Today, 42 years later, the agency employs a staff of over 500; its annual budget is more than \$50 million. This extraordinary growth is testimony to the foresight of a visionary leader and dedicated advocate for senior citizens throughout the community and beyond. As one co-worker affirms, Vince "worked passionately at many levels to redefine people's understanding of elder needs and the way in which we honor and serve them."

As the Agency evolved, Vince never lost sight of its true mission—to meet the needs of those in the greatest need—and he demanded that all people be treated with dignity and respect. These principles are the foundation upon which GLSS was built, and they will continue to guide the Agency into the future. Vince "taught us compassion first, bend the rules if you must, but make sure when a person in need reaches out, that [we reach] back with a warm and gentle hand," a colleague remembers.

Vince was not only instrumental in growing GLSS but also in advocating for other human service agencies and organizations. He was never satisfied with "what is," but focused on the "what ought to be." Because of Vince and his colleagues, many more seniors in our community are now less likely to face unwanted nursing home placements when they become frail and can, instead, get the supports they need to remain in their homes. As a tireless advocate for elder rights, Vince would be the first to tell you that more work is needed on this front. And while he, himself, preferred to work quietly and behind the scenes, Vince was also the recipient of many awards acknowledging his remarkable contributions.

In addition to his passionate commitment to the work of human services, Vince also loved cooking, partying, being a father, golfing, politics, traveling around the world, and music - Bob Marley's "One Love" being one of his favorite songs. One friend reflects that part of Vince's enjoyment of these activities was that they "led him further and deeper into life."

On March 20, 2006, Vince Lique died. His loss was felt deeply throughout the Agency, as well as throughout the Greater Lynn community and regional elder and human service agencies with which he had worked closely during his 35-year career. Those who knew Vince now honor his legacy by continuing the work we shared with him inspired by the vision he shared with us.

THE LIQUE HUMAN SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP

The Lique Human Services Scholarship has been established by Greater Lynn Senior Services to support local high school seniors in the GLSS service area of Lynn, Lynnfield, Nahant, Saugus, & Swampscott who hope to explore an interest in a field of human/community service. The Scholarship thus seeks to continue Vince Lique's legacy of serving the needs of those in the greatest need in our communities and demanding that all people be treated with dignity and respect. The scholarship award totals \$10,000. We will distribute these funds amongst 2-5 winners. It is hoped that this award will assist with the expenses of a first year of college.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Applicant must reside in the GLSS five-town service area and be a senior in a high school located within that same area.
2. Applicant must intend to explore an interest in a field of human/community service, including social work, health care, counseling, and/or advocacy.
3. Applicant must have a grade point average of no less than 2.5.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION:

The Scholarship Application must include:

1. Completed **Lique Scholarship Application Form**, including confirmation of grade point average from appropriate school official. Additional paper may be used as needed for responses. (Please note general school scholarship applications will **NOT** be accepted in place of our required form.)
2. Applicant must submit a typed essay of no more than two double-spaced pages that responds to the following question:

When Vince Lique said, "compassion first, bend the rules if you must, but make sure when a person in need reaches out, that [we reach] back with a warm and gentle hand," what did he mean and how would you do that? How might pursuing your interests continue Vince Lique's legacy of community service?

Essays will be evaluated based on the following criteria: creativity, clarity, coherence, and a demonstrated understanding of the meaning and spirit of these questions, as well as a commitment to community/human services.

3. Applicant must submit two Letters of Reference. At least one of the letters should be from a faculty member at the school. **Both letters should specifically address the student's involvement in community service and/or interest in human services.**
4. Current academic transcript which includes Grade Point Average (G.P.A.).

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT BY
FRIDAY, APRIL 4th, 2024**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT IN FAIRNESS TO ALL APPLICANTS, LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE
CONSIDERED. A CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED MATERIALS HAS BEEN INCLUDED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.**

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (Please Print)

Name of Applicant: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Name of High School: _____

Are you currently a High School Senior (Circle One): Yes No

What school/college do you hope to attend next year? _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Please list your community service activities and describe one that was especially meaningful to you. If you need additional space, please use the blank page provided at the end of this application.

FIELD OF HUMAN/COMMUNITY SERVICE

How will you continue your commitment to community service in your education, your career, and in your life?

GRADE POINT AVERAGE: (Section to be completed by High School Guidance Counselor)

What is the applicant's current Grade Point Average? _____

Name of Guidance Counselor (Please Print): _____

Signature of Guidance Counselor: _____ Date: _____

NEED

Please describe how this scholarship will assist you and your family in financing your education. Are there any particular challenges that your family faces? If you need additional space, please use the blank page provided at the end of this application.

INFORMATION REGARDING LETTERS OF REFERENCE:**Letter One:** (Please print.)

Author Name: _____

Author's Relation to Applicant: _____

Letter Two:

Author Name: _____

Author's Relation to Applicant: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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