

There are 100,000 reasons

... to donate to Peppermint Ridge, but for **George and Barbara Aranguren**, their #1 reason is their daughter Tina, a long time resident of The Ridge. As active Ridge supporters and volunteers for many years, the Arangurens have served on the Board of Directors and received the 2018 Volunteers of the Year honor. Understandably, they hold the mission of Peppermint Ridge close to their hearts.

Recently, George and Barbara shared their story about Tina:

“About three weeks after Tina was born, it seemed like she wasn’t developing as she should’ve been. We anxiously searched to find out what was going on with our little girl. The answer was that part of a chromosome was dislodged and attached to another chromosome.

When Tina was about a year old, an organization that helps people with intellectual and developmental disabilities opened a special preschool that she was able to attend. As our daughter grew, however, so did her special needs. Over the years, we provided all of our love and support, knowing that one day, she would require additional care.

As Tina got older and required more extensive services, a family who lived nearby told us about Peppermint Ridge. The minute we walked onto the campus, we knew it was the right place for our daughter. And after we spoke to the staff and received more information, a friendly Ridge resident walked up and said, ‘Hi Tina, let me show you my room!’

We went through a trial period thinking it would be a big adjustment. We asked, ‘Tina, would you like to live at Peppermint Ridge?’ We were so surprised when she answered, ‘Yeah, okay!’ It was really her choice, and after 30 years it’s still her home. She likes to come to our home regularly, but after staying for a few days, she will tell us that she is ready to return to her friends at the Ridge.

Tina has always been a sweet, sociable, and happy person. She enjoys doing 300-piece puzzles, Ridge social activities, and hanging out with her friends and housemates. Sometimes we say, ‘Life can be hard, but not for Tina.’ She’s always smiling, even on a challenging day!

We are convinced that Peppermint Ridge is the right organization to support people like Tina--she thrives there! We contribute and will continue to do so because The Ridge keeps nearly 100 residents happy, healthy, and safe!”

Now is the perfect time to donate to The Ridge. Here’s why:

Thanks to a generous donor, every donation made between October 1 and December 31 will be matched up to \$100,000! Our 2022 “Meet the Match” could mean as much as \$200,000 to help ensure that Ridgers like Tina can continue to have a fulfilling life at Peppermint Ridge. Please consider a gift today by completing and returning the reply form below or going to www.PeppermintRidge.org/MeetTheMatch.



When her parents received their Volunteer of the Year honor, Tina exclaimed, “Good job, Mom!”

Sincerely,

Peppermint Ridge

Yes, I/we would like to help “Meet the Match” and double this gift’s impact! 

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