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Our Father's House names new director

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DEVENS -- The Board of Directors of **Our Father's House** has voted unanimously to hire Judith Nest-Pasierb to be the new executive director, said President of the Board Joe Giovino. Giovino stated, "The board was pleased to find such a unique and qualified individual with the management and social service experience to lead **Our Father's House**."

Former Executive Director Barbara Garneau recently lost her courageous battle with cancer. Nest-Pasierb, of Holden, has been the assistant executive director at **Our Father's House** for the past eight months, working with Garneau through the transition.

She is a licensed certified social worker with a Master's in social work from Boston College and a bachelor of arts from Assumption College.

She has worked both in the private and state government sector.

Throughout the years, in her capacity as a social worker and administrator, she has assisted elders, disabled and children.

Most recently, Nest-Pasierb was executive director of Baby's Breath, Inc.

For several years she worked as the director of the personal-care attendant program at Mass Health, overseeing 14,000 Mass Health consumers receiving this service statewide.

When Nest-Pasierb was a Council on Aging director for the town of Sutton, she was solely responsible for writing a \$633,500 state grant to build a new Senior Center and led the project to completion.

Nest-Pasierb stated, "I'm excited to be a part of **Our Father's House** and lead the agency through the next decade.

"In these harsh economic times, **Our Father's House's** critical services of case management, providing shelter, offering transitional housing and permanent housing for homeless individuals and families is even more vital than ever. We're the last safety net for many people."