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## **Local Senior Living Organization Recognized Among the Top Employers in the U.S.**

***Brio Living Services Named a Best and Brightest  
Company to Work For® in the Nation***

**Chelsea/Grand Rapids, MI, Jun. 27, 2022** – Senior living organization Brio Living Services, formerly United Methodist Retirement Communities (UMRC) & Porter Hills, is proud to announce that it has been named to the Spring 2022 list of ***Best and Brightest Companies to Work For® in the Nation*** by the National Association for Business Resources (NABR). This is in addition to its recognition earlier this spring as a Best and Brightest Company to Work For® in West Michigan, an honor Brio Living Services has earned for twenty consecutive years.

This national program honors organizations that “display a commitment to excellence in operations and employee enrichment,” according to a press release by NABR: “The Best and Brightest is a powerful community of the nation’s elite leaders who share ideas, practices, and have proven they are employers of choice. This designation is a great recruitment tool to attract and retain talent.”

The spring Best and Brightest National winners included 139 organizations nationwide out of 1,100 nominations. Winning organizations were assessed by an independent research firm that reviews a number of key measures such as compensation and benefits, employee education and development, recruitment and retention, employee achievement and recognition, and work-life blend to name a few. NABR identifies best human resource practices and provides benchmarking for companies, like Brio Living Services, that continue to be leaders in employment standards.

“We are thrilled to receive recognition as not only a Best and Brightest organization in West Michigan for the twentieth year in a row, but also a Best and Brightest organization in the nation,” said Brio Living Services Chief Human Resources Officer Michelle Henderson. “This honor is a direct reflection of our team members at Brio Living Services who help deliver on our mission each day: *Welcoming all, partnering together, enriching lives.* We could not be more



proud of this designation and of our dedicated team members who work tirelessly to improve the lives of older adults.”

Jennifer Kluge, President and CEO of NABR and The Best and Brightest Program, said, “These 2022 winning organizations have stood out during unpredictable times and have proven they are an employer of choice. They continue to keep the needs of their employees first and provide perks that include development, well-being, work-life balance, rewards and recognition. In addition, these winning companies offer a fantastic work culture and workplace environment that attracts and retains superior employees.”

Best and Brightest Companies to Work For® in the Nation winners will be honored at the virtual Illuminate Business Summit week in November 2022, as well as featured in the online edition of *Corp!* Magazine and in the Wall Street Journal.

To learn more about the Best and Brightest Companies to Work For® program, visit [thebestandbrightest.com](http://thebestandbrightest.com). For more information about Brio Living Services, go to [MyBrio.org](http://MyBrio.org) or visit [MyBrioCareers.org](http://MyBrioCareers.org) to join our team in a job you’ll love.

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*Building on a foundation of over 165 years of combined service to older adults, **Brio Living Services**, formerly UMRC & Porter Hills, is a faith-based, nonprofit organization whose mission is: Welcoming all, partnering together, enriching lives. Its vision is: A world in which all are empowered to age well. Brio Living Services represents the second largest nonprofit senior living organization in Michigan and serves the most economically diverse population of older adults. With a tradition of exceptional quality and a commitment to cutting-edge care, Brio Living Services and its affiliates serve more than 8,000 older adults each year, from 24 locations and service lines, across 22 counties in Michigan’s lower peninsula. 734.433.1000 | 616.949.4975 | [MyBrio.org](http://MyBrio.org)*

*The **Best and Brightest Companies to Work For**® competition identifies and honors organizations that display a commitment to excellence in operations and employee enrichment that lead to increased productivity and financial performance. This competition scores potential winners based on regional data of company performance and a set standard across the nation. This program celebrates those companies that are making better business, creating richer lives, and building a stronger community as a whole. There are numerous regional celebrations throughout the country, including Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Houston, Milwaukee, San Diego, San Francisco, Miami, New York, Charlotte, Denver, Nashville, Pacific Northwest and Nationally. [www.thebestandbrightest.com](http://www.thebestandbrightest.com).*