

Lorenzo's House is a global, virtual community empowering the sons, daughters, children and families affected by younger-onset dementia (YOD) through healing in community, advocating for dementia justice & educating for a YOD-informed society.



Healing in Community: Direct Support for Families of YOD

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We **heal in community** through our 3 pillar direct support programs: *MATCH*, *CLUBS*, *SUMMIT*.

INTRODUCTION

Younger-onset dementia (YOD) is defined as a condition where someone shows symptoms of brain change before age 65.

Families living with younger-onset dementia (YOD) are unseen, misunderstood, under-resourced and under-researched. Resources designed for families affected by YOD are sparse.

Lorenzo's House is a global, virtual organization that provides free, virtual support programs for sons, daughters, children and families affected by younger-onset dementia.

Founded in 2021, we are a global hub of support for daughters, sons, children and families affected by younger-onset dementia - having served over 3,000+ family members across 50 states and 25 countries.

OUR STORIES

"My family walked beside my mom throughout her journey with younger-onset dementia. I was 16, my brother was 12, and alongside our dad, we became her care partners. We learned firsthand how isolating and overwhelming this disease can be.

Today, I lead an organization that supports families impacted by dementia in my community.

In addition to that work, in my role at Lorenzo's House as the Wisconsin NextGen Liaison, I connect and support families navigating younger-onset dementia, while also engaging medical professionals and practitioners across the state. I use my story to raise awareness, educate, and advocate so that no family in Wisconsin has to navigate younger-onset dementia alone."

*-Shanelle Snowden,
Legacy Home and Respite Care Foundation*

We Heal. Our Virtual Support Model

MATCH

One-on-one, carer to carer connection with a peer of a similar profile.

Whether it's a single phone call, a series of WhatsApp exchanges, or a lifelong friendship, MATCH offers connection, insight and light on a younger-onset dementia journey.

"Our connection was an instant relief. Someone my age knew what I was going through without even having to explain."

- Janel, daughter of YOD

CLUBS

Virtual safe spaces to find community, understanding and connection. Designed exclusively for family members affected by YOD.

- **Light Club** is for our sons, daughters and children (ages 4+) of a parent with YOD.
- **Bright Brunch** is for adult female carepartners.
- **Light Lounge** is for our adult male carepartners.
- **ShineOn** Is a grief space for those whose parent/person has passed

SUMMIT

Our **Global Youth SUMMIT** is a virtual, annual event uniting sons, daughters and children (age 4+-44) with a parent affected by YOD.

Our sessions are co-designed and co-led by Youth Leads (sons, daughters, children of YOD) and 'Dementiacators' (experts'/educators' in the field).

In 2021, we had 21 young people in a Zoom room, in 2025, we gathered over 250 sons, daughters and children from 16 countries.



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our programs:**



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