

Creating Hope for a Lifetime

Dear Friends,

At this time each year, we pause to reflect on the meaning of our work and the success of the people we serve. The hope, pride, and enthusiasm we see in others gives us the persistence to do all we can to help them succeed. We also reflect on the generous support that we receive from our community – individuals, families, and businesses. The contributions we receive help support Occupations and Family Empowerment to assist others to achieve their dreams.

As you may know, nonprofit organizations are facing very challenging financial times. We have seen dramatic cuts from the various funding sources that help to support the essential programs and services we provide. These Federal, State and County budget cuts impact the lives of the people who rely on us – those with special needs.

It's our mission to help people with diverse needs to live in a safe environment where they have hope, and the opportunity to grow and achieve through informed choices. Our compassionate, person centered family driven, caring service is woven into all that we do. We receive great satisfaction from helping people in need, regardless of their ability to pay.

We are asking for your help. Please, will you join with us today? Your gift will make a difference by helping us to provide much needed services for people with special needs. All funds received go directly toward ensuring that we provide the best possible programs and services to people right here in our community – like those we highlighted in this newsletter. Your gift will support, at your designation, Occupations Programs and Services, Family Empowerment Council's Programs and Services, and/or Occupations' Capital Campaign to support the renovations of its Foster Care Facilities. Enclosed is an envelope for your donation.

Your tax deductible gift will make a difference and help us to provide much needed services that change lives and create opportunities in which all people have real choices supported by high quality services resulting in their ability to live and work in the community with the supports they need.



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Mission

We assist individuals in achieving their potential through a vast array of services that are accessible and delivered in a compassionate manner. We build trust and nurture relationships by respecting the individual's and family's needs, desires, and dreams.

We have designed a system of quality services on the principles of mutual respect, unwavering honesty, and strong relationships that are built on a foundation of personal and professional integrity.

We create and inspire intelligent growth and development by anticipating and responding to the evolving needs of our community. We leverage our core excellencies and direct our resources to consistently deliver the best services in order to achieve successful outcomes.