

**News & Views

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OUR EMPLOYMENT SERVICES SUCCESS STORY:



IACP found inspiration from an incredible individual named Matt. who is a trailblazer for many when it comes to employment for all. IACP and Iowa's community providers understand the value of employment in the lives of people and are an integral part in teaching the skills needed to obtain and keep a job.

In 2008, Matt worked at a sheltered workshop, undertaking various tasks for sub-minimum wage. By 2012, he transitioned to smallgroup employment settings, continuing to earn less than the minimum wage. Matt had aspirations of working in the community with a job that offered better compensation than sub-minimum wage.

In 2014, Matt was referred to Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services, marking a turning point in his employment journey. By December of that year, he secured his inaugural community job as a courtesy clerk at Hy-Vee, earning \$9.35 per hour. With a vision of becoming a fry cook, Matt eventually found his way to Wendy's Restaurant in 2020, where he has been employed since. Currently earning \$11.00 per hour, Matt's progress showcases the success of his employment journey.

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SPECIAL THANK YOU TO TIM FARNIOK

A special thank you to Tim Farniok of World Insurance Associates LLC - formerly Two Rivers and West Bend Insurance Company for awarding us the Spirit of Silver Lining Award! Tim has been a strong advocate for us, and his nomination of Hope Haven A Division of Imagine the Possibilities is greatly appreciated.



The funds will be used for renovating our recently purchased home, making it fully accessible to meet the needs of persons with disabilities. We are extremely honored to receive this award.

SOUTHEAST IOWA DAYS IN DES MOINES

Some of our leaders attended Southeast Iowa Days in Des Moines, along with 110 other delegates from Southeast Iowa. Participated in activities at the Capitol, legislative sessions, and engaged with legislators.



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MEET JESSIE MOYERS

We're thrilled to highlight one of our exceptional members from the Greater Burlington Leadership class of 23-24!

Meet Jessie Moyers, HCBS Support Specialist II at Hope Haven A Division of Imagine the Possibilities whose enthusiasm for our community shines through in her response to the question: "What is your favorite thing about Greater Burlington?"

"My favorite part about Greater Burlington is that it is such a caring and welcoming environment. All of the businesses and organizations are willing to help each other and work together for the good of the community." -Jessie



VALENTINE'S DAY PIZZA PARTY

Our Adult Development Program had a fun pizza party for Valentine's Day!









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WE APPRECIATE THE DANVILLE 2ND GRADERS

Danville 2nd graders, along with their teachers Mrs. Rehman, Mrs. March, and Mrs. Beckman did an amazing job raising money for our client fund. We appreciate their support, which helps Individuals in our programs who may not have many resources, especially during the holidays. Big thanks to all of them at Danville Community School District!



HY-VEE OST TRAINING PROGRAM



Trent and Malachi participated in the Hy-Vee OST training program. This was their first work experience and they rocked it; we are so proud of both these young men!

CONGRATULATIONS OCCUPATIONAL SKILL GRADUATES



Congratulations to our latest graduates of our Occupational Skills Training course. Thank you to our partners at Hy-Vee in supporting these individuals in developing their work skills.

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ANNUAL HOLIDAY PIZZA PARTY



Thank you to Happy Joe's for hosting their annual holiday pizza party for the individuals we serve. It is always something we look forward to!

GREAT RIVER HEALTH GENEROUS DONATION



We would like to thank the employees of Great River Health for their generous donation. We appreciate you all!

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excellence in care and
services, will set the standard
for support to persons
with disabilities.

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