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The Cornerstone Project

“Breaking barriers and building lives, one step at a time” has been the driving idea behind Cornerstone Supported Living, LLC (CSSL) since we began our agency back in 2007. Our commitment to this idea has allowed us to provide direct care services to individuals with disabilities that has by far exceeded their expectations of providers in this industry. In addition to providing great direct care services, we have assisted our individuals in achieving things they thought due to their individual disability or financial limitations were not possible, such as advocating for themselves, creating an environment that promotes learning and being as independent as possible, trips to Washington D.C., New Jersey, Alabama, and so much more!

We at CSSL know that it is time for the next step! November 11, 2013 began our Adult Day Habilitation Services program. The program is designed to meet the needs of individuals that for whatever reason, community employment is not an option. Our goal is to create a program where individuals with disabilities will meet their needs of continual learning, promoting health and wellness through physical activities and nutrition education, socialization and community inclusion, and the opportunity to earn a paycheck for products created in our center.

While our program is in its infancy, we have the capacity to serve 8 individuals (currently we have 6 openings for ambulatory individuals). Our program will begin with the focus on skill building, socialization and community inclusion, and physical activities. We are planning to partner with W.A.R.M (Westerville Area Resource Ministry) to volunteer in their donation collection center where we will collect, sort, and organize donations. We will visit Bare Bowl each week to design and create finished pottery. We will complete physical activities such as visiting SkyZone and swimming. While in our center we will be experimenting with the designs of various products that will be produced by our individuals in our hopefully future Supported Employment Enclave; our goal in developing a line of products is to be able to raise funds that support our program so that we are able to provide day trips for our participants and eliminate or reduce the need for funds from the individuals for scheduled outings as well as giving our participants the opportunity to adopt a person or family in need each year.

During the month of November we have visited SkyZone-which was an absolute blast! And we all agreed that this should be part of our weekly activity. We have visited Bare Bowl where we created some cool designs on pottery. We have made blankets that were donated. We’ve made laundry soap that has been given out to several people for their opinion on our product. We have visited pet stores and had several shopping trips to purchase items needed for our new program.

Beginning in December we will begin work on jewelry, lotions, body soaps and scrubs, candles as well as continuing the projects that we have already done. We want to give a big thank you to the family of S.S. for saving aluminum cans for us. We will take these for recycling once a month. Those funds will be used towards special lunch days and outing events. We also want to give a big thank you to the family of G.S. for the wonderful beads and stones that were purchased in Ecuador for our jewelry

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making. We are excited to work with these beautiful stones to see what great unique designs that we can create!

We are excited about the next step and look forward to bringing news of our developments! And we can't wait to get samples out to all of you of the things we will create here and to get your feedback!

Kindest Regards,
Cornerstone Supported Living, LLC

Please see reverse side for November calendar

Current participants, please note W.A.R.M has not yet added us to the volunteer schedule. We will have a meeting in December with W.A.R.M and they anticipate putting us on the January schedule.