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A MONTHLY LOOK INSIDE CAREY SERVICES

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Auctioneer Vern Leffler encourages the crowd to increase bidding for one of the large paintings up for auction at the annual Expressions event.

## Expressions event showcases talent

It's been said sequels often don't capture the flavor of the original, but Carey Services seemed to have found a formula for success this year with its second art gala event.

Expressions, the art show that showcases the creativity of the individuals we serve, drew a good crowd Oct. 21 at Roseburg Event Center. The free event had art available for purchase, and several large art pieces were auctioned.

It also had a surprise appearance from the Three Little Pigs. "We continue to appreciate the support the community has shown for our Expressions events the past two years," said Greg Maynard, Carey Services' director of fund and strategic advancement. "The success of the Creative Hearts Art Studio is because of the work of many people, both those within the agency and those people in the community who have contributed. Without



that combined support, we would not have the success we see daily."

Part of that success has been the expansion of the art programming to include performance art, hence the

appearance of the Three Little Pigs. Individuals involved in the Music and Movements component of the program performed a musical skit based on the children's story, complete with costumes and props produced in the studio.

The skit played off this year's event theme: Once Upon a Time. Some of the art for sale had a fairy tale theme, including several fairy castles and paintings based on famous fairy tales.

"The individuals we serve have accomplished a lot in the studio's first year," Maynard said. "We're really excited to see what they will come up with creatively in the coming months to grow the program even more."

## Client's success embodiment of agency mission

Carey Services' mission statement talks about helping people turn abilities and barriers into opportunities.

Jonathan Cain is a great example of that. Jonathan said he was often told as a child that he would not be successful in life because of his disability. He was called names in school, and he was told his life goals would be impossible to reach because of the challenges his disability presented.

But Jonathan credits his involvement with Carey Services in helping him accomplish far more than anyone — including himself — ever dreamed possible.

Before Jonathan began working with Carey Services, he already was dealing with a major challenge. He spent his time and energy caring for his mother who was battling cancer. During this season of Jonathan's life, he was the primary caregiver of his own caregiver and guardian.

"She was taking care of me, and I was taking care of her," Jonathan says, as he recalls his last memories of his mother.



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When Jonathan lost his mother, he also lost his primary focus in life. His caregiving role for his mother was over, and he did not know where to turn. He moved in with his brother and began working at Carey Services to fill hours in his day and fill his pockets with spending money.

After two years, Jonathan felt confident and prepared to pursue a community job. Carey Services' employment services department was able help Jonathan work through the job

search process, eventually helping him find a position at the Marion Meijer store.

Today, Jonathan proudly will say to anyone who asks that he has worked on the receiving line at Meijer, unloading trucks, for 13 months.

"I was always told 'You will never be able to finish high school, you will never hold a job, you will never be able to drive,'" he said. "But everything people have told me I would never be able to do, I have done it."

## Giving Tuesday matching gift opportunity coming

You have many ways to help make a big impact at Carey Services. Giving Tuesday will be an upcoming one with large potential.

On that national day of giving, you will have a way to have your impact potentially doubled by a generous

supporter of Carey Services.

Details will be finalized in coming days, but an agency supporter has offered to match online donations on Nov. 28, the day that has grown the past few years and gained momentum as a way for people to donate money

and time to worthy causes.

For more information, call Carey Services and ask for Greg Maynard, director of fund and strategic advancement, at (765) 668-8961, extension 124, or send him an email at [gmaynard@careyservices.com](mailto:gmaynard@careyservices.com).

Black Friday. Cyber Monday.

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