



Carey Services

Turning abilities into opportunities

Creating Opportunities for Employment Carey Services Employment Services Helps Individuals and Businesses Achieve Their Goals

Each of us desires a sense of purpose and self-worth, which can come from being gainfully employed. Unfortunately, individuals with a disability face a higher rate of unemployment than persons without a disability and those employed are more likely to be employed part time than those without a disability. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, about 8 in 10 individuals with a disability were not employed in 2021 compared to 3 in 10 of those without a disability.

Yet, research from the Institute of Corporate Productivity shows nearly three-quarters of businesses employing workers with disabilities indicate it has been a positive experience. The addition of workers with disabilities to an organization's talent pool has a broad and proactive three-pronged impact. It impacts by adding highly motivated people to the workforce, which can lead to increased productivity, and promotes an inclusive culture. The customer base for the organization expands due to increased customer satisfaction, leading to better sales and customer retention. Finally, the community image of the organization improves due to the enhancement of the employer's brand. This all translates into a better bottom line, bringing more dollars to the organization.

In today's economy, finding quality employees can be difficult. Carey Services has a professional team skilled at connecting employers and people with disabilities who are motivated to find a job in the community. The team works with individuals with disabilities who desire employment by helping them perform job searches, complete job applications, write resumes and prepare for job interviews. They also work with employers and potential candidates to ensure the skills the employer needs and the individual's abilities match. The Employment Specialists provide coaching (on and off-site as needed and with the employer's requirement) to ensure the individuals hired will be successful, reducing training and staffing costs over the long-term. The goal of the Carey Services' Employment Services program is to connect employers with individuals that have the skills and abilities to build the business and compliment the employers' staff. The Employment Services program at Carey Services can also help employers with information on the Work Opportunity Tax Credit, Information on Fidelity Bonding, worksite and task analysis, community resources for all staff, innovative and affordable accommodations, promoting inclusion in your workplace to support staff and customers and building natural support systems in business and the community.

Employers who would like information on how you find solutions to your employee needs are encouraged to contact the Carey Services Employment Services team at 765-668-6961 ext. 165 or email Tom Kendrick at tkendrick@careyservices.com.



Lowe's Volunteers Make Impact

Earlier this summer Carey Services was awarded a \$115,000 grant as part of Lowe's Hometowns, an initiative that is helping to restore and revitalize spaces that serve as the hubs and heartbeats of communities. As part of the grant, Carey Services is creating an outdoor recreation space on the Carey Services' Supported Living area of the Marion campus for individuals served, their families, staff and the community to engage in social and physical activities. This project is converting a now unlevel grass area into an accessible outdoor recreation space with a paved walking path, sports court, picnic table area and raised community garden beds.

On Thursday, October 13, over 20 volunteers from Lowe's, JGBowers, Inc. and Carey Services joined together as part of a Red Vest Day. Among the day's activities, volunteers put together picnic tables, planted accessible, raised beds with mums and assembled a variety of sports equipment. Prior to this day, a walking path had already been paved. Landscaping will be added over the next few weeks.



Kelly Scher, Director of Fund Development at Carey Services shared, "We are grateful for Lowe's and their partnership to create this beautiful and engaging community space where people can socialize together and spend time enjoying outdoor activities."

A ribbon cutting is schedule for Tuesday, November 8 at 1:30pm. The public is invited to attend.



Creative Hearts Kicks off Two Week Celebration

Expressions, an annual community art experience, kicked off this past week with three days for the public to visit the art studio. Photos from the days are below along with the refreshed Creative Hearts Art Studio logo. This year's event is an open-house style with art for sale and opportunities to be experience art for yourself. The final open-house event is Family Night this Wednesday, October 26, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Family Night will feature art from Early Head Start, refreshments and a DIY pour painting activity for \$5.00 each. You can also "drop a dot" on a community art piece being created throughout the Expressions events. This one-of-a-kind piece represents that we are all a part of a larger community, joining together to create something amazing. The completed piece will be displayed at Carey Services. The public is invited to this last celebration event and may enter through the glass doors of Building C (closest to the bypass) on Carey Services' Marion Campus.



Expressions:
a community art experience
Creative Hearts Art Studio at Carey Services
2724 S Carey Street, Marion
Presented by
AMERICAN
FIDELITY
BONDING
CORPORATION

October 26
5pm to 7pm
Family Night
Art from Early Head Start
Community Art Piece
DIY Canvas Pour Paintings



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A world where all people are empowered and equally valued in the community

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