# HOPE AGENCY



ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022



## MESSAGE FROM HOPE AGENCY



As I reflect back on 2022, I cannot help but feel a closer connection to our mission and vision statements: HOPE Agency Des Moines engages individuals with special needs and provides unique opportunities to overcome barriers to independent living through customized experiences, meaningful training, and goal-centered, holistic support. We strive to create opportunities for those we serve as well as employees.

Navigating the continual obstacles of COVID-19, global staffing shortages, and the stress of the unknown, HOPE Agency continued to expand its mission to more participants in 2022. If anything, the healthcare industry received a bit more recognition for the work we all do. The pictures that revealed a stressed system due to workforce shortages highlighted the importance of having a robust system that can care for and support all humans to live and thrive.

This past year we were able to continue in activities such as basketball, cheer, and softball which are typically events that bring joy to the individual's HOPE Agency support. Additionally, HOPE Agency held a silent auction that raised over \$5000 for HOPE Agency Athletics so that all that want to participate are able to do so.

To top off the year, HOPE Agency received a 3-year with Excellence Accreditation from CARF International, the highest level possible. This accreditation allows HOPE Agency to continue providing Supported Employment and Community Living services. CARF surveyors noted that a key to continued success was the dedication and engagement of all employees throughout the organization and their ability to provide holistic support. I couldn't agree more. HOPE Agency has an incredible team of professionals who, through their dedication, spirit, and compassion, can encourage and support individuals so they can reach, and in most cases, surpass their goals.

I cannot wait to see what 2023 will bring!

Thanks so much for reading,

#### AMY WALLMAN MADDEN

## PARTNERSHIPS AROUND THE COMMUNITY

#### **Community Partners**

- DMACC
- Grandview College Career Center
- Premier Payee
- Iowa Methodist Hospital
- United Way of Iowa
- Central Iowa Works
- DART
- Iowa Workforce Development
- Evelyn K Davis Center
- lowa Coalition For Integrated Employment
- Iowa DD Council
- APSF
- Momentum
- Westside and other Des Moines Chambers
- Epilepsy Foundation
- Children's and Families of Iowa
- Counseling Associates of Central Iowa
- IowaAble
- Raine Recruiting
- Iowa Department of Education
- Des Moines Food Pantries
- New Beginnings counseling
- Broadlawns
- Scotty's Auto Body
- IMPACT
- Next Step Counseling
- Iowa Employment Solutions
- Eychaner Foundation
- Midlowa Boy Scouts Troup

#### **Employment Partners**

- Hyvee Industries
- Woodlands Creek
   Retirement Center
- Marsden Inc
- Sodexo Inc
- Calvin Community
- Marsh Inc
- Marshall's
- Home Depot
- True Value
- Applebees
- Goodwill of Central Iowa
- Menards
- Panera Bread
- Genesis Living
- Texas Roadhouse
- Wells Fargo
- Schneider Graphics

#### **Financial Partners**

- Polk County Health Services
- Iowa Total Care
- Amerigroup
- Heart of Iowa Region
- Iowa Vocational Rehab
- Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines
- State Auto
- Holmes Murphy
- Individual Donors











## COMPLETE MISSION OF HOPE AGENCY DES MOINES

At HOPE Agency, we believe in providing holistic care for children and adults who have special needs. Participants and their families choose a direct support professional who helps participants strengthen important skills such as meal preparation, housekeeping, socializing, and budgeting. By customizing services to meet the unique needs of every participant, while collaborating with families to optimize resources, we empower participants on their pathway toward greater independence.

#### **Board of Directors**

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#### HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Donate your time!
- HOPE has several opportunities to give the gift of time to help with our mission. Contact the HOPE office for more information!
- Donate your resources!
- Medicaid reimbursement does not cover the costs to provide quality services. Every donation helps to allow HOPE to continue to support individuals be productive, independent members of society.
- Work for HOPE!
- There is always a great need than we have manpower to support.
   If you have a passion in helping others find success, HOPE needs you! You can apply online at:

https://www.hopeagencydsm.org/join-hopes-team.html

Thanks so much for reading our 2022 update! If you would like any further information on this information, please feel free to call 515–331-4142 or send an email to AmyWM@hopeagencydsm.org.

### Characteristics of HOPE Agency

Advocate
Engaged
Innovative
Collaborative

In using technology,
HOPE looks for
efficiencies to reduce
burnout and
redundancies so more
dollars can be put
towards livable wages.

#### **Core Tenets**

Passion
Purpose
Persistence
Proactivity

By offering applicable and consistent training, HOPE is committed to finding and utilizing everyone's strengths and offers a career pathway.