



Austin's Place News

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Mission Statement: *To provide specialized, intensive transitionally-focused training for young adults graduating from traditional school systems who are diagnosed with autism spectrum, developmental and intellectual disabilities and who are moderately to significantly impaired.*

VIP Spotlight

Austin's Place Volunteers

As summer begins, we are going to make a change to our normal VIP spotlight. This month, we wanted to pay special tribute to all of the amazing people that participated in the Austin's Place Volunteer Work Parties.

We want to thank all those who pitched in and helped us prepare our new site by painting, gardening, moving furniture, as well as other chores and tasks.

It's safe to say we wouldn't be nearly ready to move in if it weren't for so many truly amazing helpers.

We would like everyone to know how much we deeply appreciate your time. Without your hard work and dedication to our program, we would never have been able to achieve so much in so little time.

Remember that there are always new and exciting opportunities to help out in the future, so stay tuned! You are true heroes in helping to make Austin's Place all that it can be!



Our littlest volunteer lending a helping hand!



Austin's Place new certified lifeguards!



COVER PHOTO
Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community 2017!!!

What's Happening? -Keep Calm and Pittsburgh On!

Nothing makes Pittsburgh more proud than cheering on our boys in Black & Gold and we sure do have a lot to cheer about these days! This month we will kick off summer by celebrating the athletes, fans, and coaches that help make Pittsburgh sports so great! As the Penguins race to win the cup, we will be collecting canned soups as a part of "The Lord Stanley fill the Cup to help end hunger". We will also be holding the Austin's Place Olympics to show off the talents of our very own here at Austin's Place (hopefully things don't get too competitive)! So bring in your canned donations and join in the game because the team with the most donations will get more points to add to their team's total! As always, stay tuned to our Facebook page for pictures and updates!



Bonnie Wilczynski
Victor Wilczynski
Victor Wilczynski Jr.
Samantha Wilczynski
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Paul Nilson Jr.
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THANK YOU to all the volunteers who came out today to help us get the new Austin's Place location move-in ready! We appreciate all the help and support!

Cindy Magargee
Patti Turner
Jackie Ferrara
Sharon Thorn
Lisa Stresky
Jessica Stresky

Marshall Stresky
Helen Rizzi
Amy Weaver
Tess Weaver
Kevin Billy
Dakota Billy

From the Director...

Welcome to the rainy season that always seem to precede summer here in Pittsburgh! While May has been wrought with rain and clouds, we are excited to move into the start of summer and the transition to our brand new facility in Butler County.

That's right, folks...it's official! We will be moving to our new location this month and we couldn't be happier. While we will always hold a special place in our hearts for the Woodlands location and all of the exciting opportunities it provided us, we look forward to the future with anticipation of all that the new building and surrounding acreage will afford us. We have great plans that include an outdoor therapeutic recreation center, theater room, basketball court, a salt water pool and so much more. We are eager to see what the coming year has in store for us.

We are also looking forward to growing in number as we will be adding many new faces, both employees and individuals to our program. We can't wait to begin this new chapter in our ongoing adventure and we know that we will continue to see progress and growth for all those who participate. If you know of anyone interested in joining our team, please let us know through our website or by emailing us your resume at jobs@austinsplace.org and tell us why you'd like to work here.

Lastly, we want to thank everyone who came out to support us at the Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community and those who volunteered to help with some labor tasks at the new building. We appreciate your support and hope to continue to work with you as we grow into the future.

Remember to follow up on our website, Facebook page and Instagram and continue to check back for more information and updates about Austin's Place!



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