



Explore

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Discover

### **Board Chairman's Letter**

2016 saw a transition from longtime employee and CEO, Jane Wear to another longtime employee and executive, Randy Hall, who now fills the CEO position. The transition has been seamless to employees and the people we serve. I have had the privilege of being involved in the entire process and am confident in the future of Cardinal Services. It takes a cohesive team with strong leadership to carry out the magnitude of Cardinal's mission.

The theme of this report, Explore. Dream. Discover. means something different to each of us. However, until you get involved as a volunteer, staff member, board member or donor, you don't experience the feelings that accompany these words.

We deal with individuals who struggle to do things most of us take for granted. I have witnessed this personally with my middle son whom I adopted as an infant from Russia at 7 months of age. He weighed just 10 lbs. Like many of you, I have never been hungry for an extended period of time. When I think about the children Cardinal helps to feed through WIC, I think of my son. When he began to grow into a child, he had numerous physical and developmental issues. All he knew was that he wanted to be like other kids. Cardinal's Head Start program helped him achieve this *Dream*.

Now he's 18 years old and has become an *Explorer* with Cardinal's help. He has a job coach who is helping him *Discover* his career and fulfill his goal of living independently. These may seem like little things, but they are huge for the people we serve.

I encourage you to ask how you can help Cardinal and those we serve. We have 100 job openings that we are having difficulty filling. We have volunteer opportunities daily. We have an ever increasing funding gap. This is a call to action. As Cardinal Services' Chairman of the Board, I can assure you that your involvement will be one of the most gratifying things you will ever do. As the people we serve continue to Explore, Dream and Discover, so should you.

Sincerely,

Nick Deeter, Board Chair

#### 2016 Board of Directors

Seated: Amy Hobbs, Peggy Michel, Anita Kishan,

Standing: Jeff Plank, Jon Goss, Amy Lippe, Nick Deeter

Not pictured: Courtney France, RJ Hall, Vicki Morton, Joel Wihebrink and Bill Winn



The mission of Cardinal Services is to assist and advocate for people with disabilities or challenges to live lives full of dignity, growth, and opportunity.

# A Message from our CEO



This year has been one of transition and change at Cardinal Services, and as I step into the CEO role I appreciate all the more the systems that Jane Wear, my predecessor, developed and implemented to assure that Cardinal's success was not dependent upon a personality. As the transition began over the last year the outcomes for people Cardinal serves never wavered. Those outcomes were made possible because Cardinal has systems that do not change even as the names and faces do.

- Career Links assisted 66 individuals with a disability to find competitive employment in the community.
- 79% of five-year-olds leaving Head Start and heading to kindergarten this fall tested kindergarten ready, a feat more remarkable considering one-quarter of those children required an IEP which indicates a learning delay.
- The WIC program provided 3,000 pregnant women, infants, toddlers and breastfeeding moms with nutrition education and food assistance promoting the development of the child and health of the mother.
- RedBird Art Studio became a reality giving adults with disabilities a new service option and an exciting new means to express themselves.
- Ten individuals living in group homes moved into their very own apartment for the first time in their life and have experienced the dignity and satisfaction of living in a place they call their own.

Cardinal's mission to help people live lives full of dignity, growth and opportunity is as alive and vibrant as ever, and never is it more needed. There is little time to sit in the limelight of last year's accomplishments. New opportunities and challenges lay before us and the support of families, volunteers, donors, civic leaders, religious leaders, the business community and more

will continue to be critical to Cardinal's success. Together we will continue building better communities for every member of society.

Thank you for being our partner in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

Randy Hall, CEO

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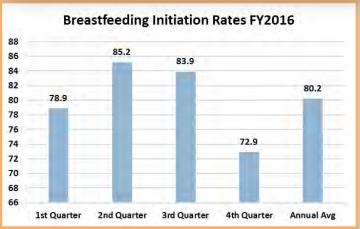
#### 2016 Administrative Team

**Seated:** CCI General Manager, Jay Tate, CEO Emeritus, Jane Wear, CEO, Randy Hall;

**Standing:** VP of Human Resources Laura Campbell, Director of Development, Vickie Lootens, Chief Financial Officer, Leanne Ford. Not pictured: Corporate VP, Matt Boren.







### WIC

- **2.960** women and children served.
- 1714 average # served monthly.

WIC is a nutrition program for new and expectant mothers and their small children, providing nutrition counseling and debit cards good for specific foods crucial to a child's strong development. This includes fresh fruit and vegetables from local farmers' markets

This year the state rolled out it's new electronic benefits card. More than two years in the planning, the card replaces checks and are significantly more user-friendly for mothers, cashiers, and the next person in the checkout line.

In addition to the new cards, the other major accomplishment at WIC this year was the addition of becoming a Milk Bank Depot. By the end of July, we had 1,761 ounces of breast milk donated at our site since the opening in November.

The Milk Bank allows lactating mothers to donate their excess milk to the Bank, which passes it onto infant ICUs around the country. Mother's milk nourishes sick, premature, and at-risk infants whose own mothers are unable to nurse, and helps them grow stronger. In short, the donated milk saves lives.

# **Community Living**

- 71 people live in homes and apartments, receiving only the staff support they need and desire to participate in community life.
- 70% increase in level of community integration.
- 86% of consumers participated in meaningful community outings.
- 18,000+ hours people spent with family or friends rather than paid staff.
- 99.6% consumer satisfaction

Liz is an independent young woman with a lot of drive. She lives in a house with 3 other women, works at CCI, and is always on the go. This year, she decided she would learn to quilt. Attending a couple talks on quilting at Lowery's Sewing Center and the public library, Liz ultimately settled into classes at the Kosciusko County Senior Center. Once there, she quickly made friends with ladies who were happy to share their expertise.

After making her quilt, Liz brought her leftover fabric to RedBird Art Studio where she used it to make pillow cases. A naturally creative person, Liz also enjoys painting, photography, and scrapbooking.

Liz, who once lived in a group home, is happily involved in her community. She's active in Special Olympics, playing corn-hole, bocce ball, and bowling. She enjoys the concerts in the park, shopping, and having her nails done.

Just a note: If you haven't already guessed, Liz would make a great friend if you are looking to get involved!



# Getting You There! Riders per month FY16 5000 3000 2000 1000 0 267-4990 6 Explore. Dream. Discover.

### **KABS**

- **49,424 rides** provided in FY`16.
- 39.49% ridership based in county outside Warsaw.



KABS stands for Kosciusko Area Bus Service, and is our local *public transportation* system, owned by the county and administered by Cardinal Services.

It seems to be human nature that we often don't realize the value of something until we no longer have it. This is certainly the case with transportation. This seemingly-basic thing is anything *but* when seen through the eyes of KABS riders.

This year we had our share of evidence that KABS is truly *essential* to the community. The homeless gentleman who needed help getting to a doctor and to his new job, the mother and daughter who felt trapped in their home until they discovered KABS, and the multitude of others. This is where you see the value of KABS: in the day-to-day lives of real people.

## **Day Services**



191 people received facility-based, home-based, and/or community-based services, learning life and job skills. These skills are their gateway to community participation.



Our exhibit of framed work, jewelry, wooden and fabric pieces graced the entry of Cerulean Restaurant in June. The audience response was overwhelming and convinced us we need to bring the art into our community.

It's been an exciting year in Day Services!

After many months of planning, we launched **RedBird Art Studio.** our new onsite art studio offering people an opportunity to learn about and express themselves through art. It's been successful beyond our wildest dreams. People visit the studio to paint, sew, make jewelry, pillows, paper maché projects - the list goes on.

Each day, efforts reveal things about an artist we may never have known without this new form of expression, and we are discovering we have a new tool to build connections with and open opportunities for people.

This summer we began showing the art with exhibits at Cerulean during the Village Art Fair, and at the Warsaw Community Public Library. Plans for other shows are in the works, so you'll see us around town. We also include the studio on our monthly tours of Cardinal and have been delighted at the reactions of our guests.

### 2016 Cardinal Champion Club \* Denotes Multi-Year Society Member

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This list reports monetary donations to Cardinal Services in our 2016 Fiscal Year: July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.



In recognition of Jane Wear's 40-year career with Cardinal Services, we re-christened our Legacy Society in her honor.

The Jane Wear Legacy Society recognizes those who have honored Cardinal by naming us in their estate plans.

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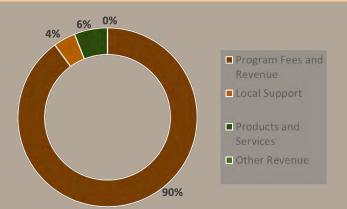
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#### **REVENUE**

Program Fees and Revenue	\$18,591,801
Local Support	\$820,734
Unrestricted Contributions and Memorials	\$635,340
Restricted Contributions and Memorials	\$1,000
United Way	\$52,150
Kosciusko County Community Foundation	\$11,454
County/City	\$120,790
Products and Services	\$1,206,467
Other Revenue	\$109,573
Investment Earnings	\$62,450
Interest on Housing Project	\$25,000
Loss on Sale of Fixed Asset	(\$10,228)
Miscellaneous	\$32,351

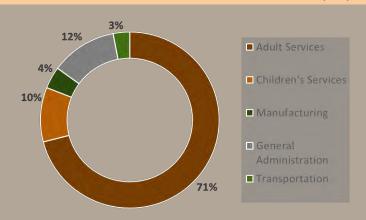
**TOTAL REVENUE: \$20,728,575** 



#### **EXPENSES**

PROGRAM SERVICES	\$18,085,946
Adult Services	\$14,479,414
Residential	\$8,972,315
Community Living	\$3,934,742
Supported Employment	\$466,754
Adult Day and Work Services	\$1,105,603
Children's Services	\$2,046,804
<b>Manufacturing</b>	\$895,734
<b>Transportation</b>	\$663,994
SUPPORTING SERVICES	
General Administration	\$2,379,083

**TOTAL EXPENSE: \$20,465,029** 



# **Residential Living**

- 115 people lived in group homes where they learned home life skills and shared their lives with others in a family-like setting.
- 95% achieved a meaningful life experience goal.
- 10 individuals worked with staff to achieve greater life skills permitting them to move into more independent environments.

Dawn has a history of living independently but over the years, seizures and time weakened her physically, and she found herself living in a group home. Fed by staff and unable to walk without assistance, it was not the life she wanted. As she says: Too many people!

Her unhappiness manifested itself in anger and silence toward her staff. They began working on coping skills, taught her to deal with her frustration by calming herself and talking it out instead of reacting. Once she discovered she had a voice and that people would listen, Dawn found the courage to express herself. She shared her desire to move out of the group home and into a smaller, more independent environment.

Understanding there were things she had to do before she could move, Dawn and her staff began working on skills she needed to re-learn. Adaptive plates with lips and utensils were purchased so she could manipulate her food and feed herself. It took time and was not easy.

When staff fed Dawn she often refused food and was listless, but as she learned to feed herself she grew stronger. She went from needing a walker and gait belt (for staff to support her as she walked) to a cane. Today she needs no assistance at all.

With the support of her staff, Dawn's determination and focus on her goals have transformed her life. This spring she moved into a small house closer to her mother who, Dawn explains with a huge smile, she sees every-other-weekend. Living with 2 other women suits Dawn just right. They share a staff person, work during the week, and enjoy going to the Moose Lodge where Dawn is a devoted bingo player. What a long road Dawn has traveled! As she will tell you:

It was hard, but it's worth it!



# **CCI Manufacturing**



- 111 people worked on parts for companies contracting with CCI, earning a paycheck as they learn job skills.
- ISO 9001-2008 We passed our ISO audit with no findings assuring the highest manufacturing quality.
- 2nd highest ever consumer wages (see chart below).
- www.ccimfg.com
- Zimmer Biomet Packaging Recycling business returns to CCI.





# **Career Links Employment Services**



- 213 men and women were guided in the process of finding and maintaining employment.
- 24.5 average number of hours worked per week.
- 4 the number of new school systems our transition services expanded into.
- 59% of participants who were able to reduce or eliminate government assistance due to earned income.



While at lunch one day in a local restaurant, 2 managers from Tecomet observed a young man doing his job. He was cleaning tables, greeting customers, keeping things in order, and generally making it a nice, welcoming place to have lunch.

He also happened to have a disability. A light went on. They needed someone to do jobs that consumed employees' time away from actual production. Soon, Tecomet was working with Career Links to "job carve." That is, creating a position to meet their needs. Enter Josh.

After finishing high school, Josh looked for a job and interviewed at different places, but didn't find anything, and he was becoming frustrated. Then he got a call from Career Links about Tecomet. Upon seeing his resume they wanted him to work for them. It was like a dream!

Eight months into his job, Josh is doing great. The backlog his supervisor thought would take a year, Josh completed in 4 months and now he's taking on other responsibilities. What's more, Josh has become part of the team: making friends, going to South Bend Cubs games with co-workers, helping set up for the employee picnic – being included.

Josh says his job not only gives him a paycheck, but helps him with his social skills – not always the easiest thing for him. If it weren't for my job I'd probably just stay at home all day . . . and who needs that noise?!

Instead, Josh is a valued, hard-working employee, and an increasingly active member of our community.

# **Healthy Families**





- 93 children and their parents received parental guidance and support during home visits from their Healthy Families worker.
- 99% of children received appropriate developmental screenings.
- 100% parental satisfaction with services.

The child in this photo is one of many who enjoyed Messy Play Day at Winona Lake Park this spring. It was just one of the activities Healthy Families sponsored through the year to support families in their journey.

Every family is different but each has stressors that can make home life difficult, especially for a single parent. Take Mary, who is a single mom of 2 small kids. She herself was raised by a single mom and was searching for direction. She suffered from postpartum depression, was unemployed and felt she had no control of her situation.

Meeting every week with her Healthy Families worker, Mary set goals and slowly began to reclaim her life, and her family's as well.

Mary shifted her focus away from what was out of her control and boldly embraced a healthy lifestyle. She quit smoking, began an exercise program, made sure her family had sit-down meals together, and insisted on good food choices.

The control she gained over her health helped Mary discover her own ability and led her to other achievements, including a new job.

Mary recently exited Healthy Families, now in control and able to stand on her own.





# **Mead Start/Early Head**

- 40 children received home-based Early Head Start services.
- 135 children participated in classroom-based Head Start pre-school.
- 100% (5 of 5) goals met, including:
  - 79.2% active parent participation.
  - 99% of children up-to-date with dental examinations.
  - 90% of children met School Readiness goals in language and literacy.

After an exhaustive application process, we are proud to announce that Cardinal's Head Start/Early Head Start program has been accepted into the prestigious UCLA/Johnson & Johnson Health Care Institute and the National Center on Health's innovative health literacy program, based on the "What to Do When My Child Gets Sick" book series.

Over the past year, staff has attended national training and been working hard to implement the program with the start of the 2016-17 school year.

Research shows that families who have gone through the program have a 48% reduction in ER visits and a 37.5% reduction in unnecessary clinic visits. By improving parents' health knowledge, approximately 42% fewer work days were missed and each family that participated reported an average of \$554 in annual savings because of reduced unnecessary ER/clinic visits.

By delivering this easy to understand training to Head Start/Early Head Start families, we strive to not only improve children's health and attendance, but empower parents to make well-informed decisions about their child's health. We look forward to sharing some of these outcomes with you in next year's annual report!









# **Our Corporate Values:**

**Accountability:** We take personal responsibility for our actions and follow through with our commitments.

**Dignity and Respect:** We treat our employees and the people we serve with professionalism, dignity, and respect, fostering an environment where people can learn, contribute, and excel.

**Health and Safety:** We share a personal and professional commitment to promote the health and safety of our employees, the people we serve, and the people of the communities in which we operate.

Integrity: We conduct ourselves and our business affairs in accordance with the highest ethical standards and in compliance with all applicable laws, striving always to be a respected corporate citizen in our communities.

**Partnership:** We are involved in our communities knowing it will result in more opportunity for those we serve, greater personal satisfaction, and stronger communities.

### **Our Service Values:**

**People First:** Each person should be defined by their unique gifts, interests, and goals.

**Personal Choice**: Each person should be offered opportunities to make choices in all areas relating to their life circumstance.

**Family Involvement:** Families are an important part of our service delivery, planning, and evaluation.

**Community Involvement:** Connecting services, individuals, and families with the community is essential to their independence and well-being.

**Employment:** Work is the most significant way adults contribute to the well-being of our community and develop self-esteem. We must aid in developing employment opportunities for those we serve.



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