

Around the Circle

A Monthly Newsletter from Community Support Services



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Ways You Can Help During This Crisis

We are so proud of the Direct Support Professionals who continue to work with individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities each and every day. These staff members cannot work from home and yes, cabin fever is setting in for them, and the individuals in their care.

But you can help during this time by providing relief items that will help with programming, safety, and entertainment at our eight group homes. We currently have the following needs:

IN-KIND: SAFETY & SANITARY ITEMS

Toilet paper, paper towels, anti-bacterial hand soap, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, and N95 masks.

Part of the problem of buying these supplies has been lack of availability and/or the imposed “one-per-customer” limitations.

IN-KIND: ITEMS TO HELP WITH PROGRAMMING

New art supplies, puzzles (100-pieces or fewer), easy board games, color/matching card games, movies (on DVD), play dough, baking supplies, and other activities.

GIFT CARDS TO PROVIDE FOOD DELIVERY (IN-KIND OR CASH)

-Gift cards to local restaurants can be dropped off at our Administrative Office. Any amount is welcome and appreciated. Gifts of \$100+ will provide a dinner for all staff and residents at one of CSS' eight group homes. Your generosity offers the staff a break from cooking so they can focus uninterrupted time on the well-being of the residents.

-Cash gifts for meals can be made by visiting our website at cssservices.org/donate.

Just write FOOD DELIVERY in the “notes” portion of your online donation (or check.)

***For safety purposes, in-kind items will be accepted (by appointment only.) Please call the front desk to schedule a drop off appointment weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.**

The individuals we serve and our staff will appreciate these tangible gifts so much during this difficult time. Thank you!

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OUR MISSION

CSS is a private nonprofit agency that initiates, provides and promotes services for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families, within their communities, in order to strengthen their independence, self-esteem and ability to participate in and contribute to community life.