



## DEVELOPING POTENTIAL, INC.

*Serving the Community Since 1993*

Developing Potential is a nationally accredited CARF Day Habilitation program that began providing support services to adults with developmental disabilities in Jackson County in 1993. DPI's program focuses on building strengths, fostering independence, changing lives, and developing potential. This mission drives DPI's program services and the commitment DPI has to helping individuals achieve an adult, dignified lifestyle.

### WHO WE SERVE

- 80% need individual attention at meal times
- 33% require medication administration throughout the day
- 98% live at or below the poverty line
- 95% receive medicaid benefits

### PROBLEMS WE SOLVE

Individuals with developmental disabilities are unable to receive public school services after the age of 21, leaving our clients (and their families) without access to programs and support that will continue their development, independence, and overall well-being.

DPI stands apart from other day service providers because we integrate medical support into our day service programming, making it possible for individuals who are medically fragile and would be denied services elsewhere to participate in programming at DPI.

## FUNDING NEEDS

**\$275,000** is needed to fund the final furnishing of our newest facility in Lee's Summit. The new facility will offer eight classrooms, four changing rooms, a nurse's station, therapy room, creative sensory room, large multipurpose and additional offices.

**\$7,000** will fund the purchase of a Geri Chair (hospital recliner), a desk, and an ergonomic X chair for the nurses station. These items will assist our nursing staff in caring for those individuals in need of more specialized monitoring.

**\$10,000** allows Developing Potential to completely outfit our coffee shop. Through our DPI Employment Connections Program the coffee shop provides workforce training, on the job coaching and fosters independence.

**\$15,000** will purchase a Sensory Wall for the Art Therapy Room. This will allow the art therapists to provide tactile sensory input, improving coordination and motor development.

**\$25,000** will ensure all eight of our classrooms have desks for teachers, and students have modified task chairs to create a comfortable and supportive learning environment.

### YOUR IMPACT

**Increase access to high-quality, medically supported day service programming in a new, fully accessible facility for up to 50 new participants with I/DD in Lee's Summit.**

**BUILDING LIVES, EXPANDING POTENTIAL.**



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