



INTEGRATED COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS

President's Report

2021



The Beginning



Integrated Community Solutions (ICS) was formed in April of 2021 with a vision and a passion to address areas of need in our surrounding developmental disabilities community. There is a significant desire in our community to have increased residential housing choices and training opportunities, and increased inclusive social engagement for our loved ones living with developmental disabilities. In addition, families need more educational opportunities to understand how to plan for the future, health, and happiness of their loved ones.

With this in mind, our mission was set. We embarked on a wonderfully successful 2021, and look forward to growing in 2022!

There are 5 areas of growth in 2021 I would like to report on:

- **Board and Committee Development**
- **Social Enrichment Programming**
- **Residential Community Development**
- **Educational Enrichment**
- **Donated Funds**

Board and Committee Development

We attained our 501c3 status in 2021 and grew our Board of Directors. Currently we have an 11 member Board comprised of committed individuals with a diverse set of interests and expertise. In the coming year, we hope to add a Self-Advocate to our Board.



This year, we also began to add members to our Advisory Committee. Currently this committee is comprised of 3 members with diverse skill sets and experience. We look forward to growing this committee in the coming year.

In 2022, we plan to complete the formation of our remaining committees, which will include Program Committee, Governance Committee, Finance Committee, and Resource Development Committee.

Social Enrichment Programming

This year, we had a tremendously successful start to our social enrichment programming. Through our programs, we have served over 70 individuals living with developmental disabilities who reside in 4 nearby counties. Our attendance rates along with the enthusiasm of our participants indicate a clear desire for affordable, consistent social engagement opportunities.

Our social engagement groups included:

- Walk and Roll Wednesdays
- Fitness Club
- Art Group
- Yoga
- Movie Night



We also had special events designed to increase social interaction within the surrounding community.

These events included:

- Hayrides
- Pumpkin Patch Visit
- Apple Picking
- Wolff Dairy Farm Tour



Integration and inclusivity are integral parts of our social enrichment programming mission. Our volunteers are instrumental in helping us fulfill this goal. We are very happy to report that in 2021, we enjoyed 142 hours of volunteer assistance. Our group participants benefit greatly from the presence of our volunteers, and we would like them to know how much they are valued and appreciated. Their participation helps to ensure the wonderful success of our groups, and will help us grow our opportunities in the coming year.



Residential Community Development

Integrated Community Solutions is committed to developing a neurodiverse, inclusive residential community in Medina County. All of the homes in our community will be privately owned by residents or their families, which makes this community a first in Ohio. We are determined to offer individuals a choice of a forever home in a supportive community where they can age in place surrounded by friends, family and other caring individuals.



We conducted family feasibility studies for our residential community in October and November, 2021, hosting 5 zoom sessions with 50 families who have a loved one with a developmental disability. Through follow-up family surveys, we were pleased to find that a significant majority of attendees favored the private ownership community model.

In 2022, we will kick off our Capital Campaign with the goal of raising funds to purchase land in Medina County. This land will be the site of our future community.



Educational Enrichment

Our first quarterly educational enrichment session will be held on February 23d. Hannah Magrum, ChSNC will present on topics of interest to our families including state and local resources, special needs trusts, and estate planning. This presentation will help our families have a better understanding of what is needed to ensure a well-supported adulthood for their loved ones. We look forward to growing this programming in 2022.



Hannah Magrum
ChSNC®

Donated Funds

Our Capital Campaign will begin in 2022. This year was going to be dedicated to establishing our non profit, growing awareness and support within the community, and growing our social enrichment programming. We were able to accomplish more than we planned, and this included fund raising. We received \$6,685 to help with the funding of our operations and the creation of our social enrichment programming. We are so grateful that our mission was recognized early and supported so wonderfully. We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful donors.





In 2021, we had a wonderful start to our journey. We were able to form our Board, grow awareness of our mission, create wonderful social programming for our individuals, and raise funds to start us on our way. We will continue to grow, and we thank all those that support our vision. We could not do this without you. Your support and assistance is incredibly appreciated!

Very Sincerely,

Lisa Morrison, President
Integrated Community Solutions

