



**Cooperative for
Human Services Inc.**
A passion for what's possible

Dear Family Members and Friends,

Every day there are amazing stories of hope created and shared at Cooperative for Human Services Inc. Our staff continue to step up and find countless ways to provide whatever is necessary for the people we serve to live healthy and meaningful lives. Providing caring comfortable homes, healthy activities, good nutrition and warm companionship is where it all begins - but it doesn't end there. Three stories from this past week come to mind:

The first involves how our well trained, dedicated staff monitored, supported and helped a young woman come to understand her serious health condition. Over the years these staff had made sure she attended all medical checkups and when she received a diagnosis of breast cancer, they were there to reassure and care for her every step of the way. Early detection meant more treatment options were available and a substantially higher chance for survival. We are happy to report that treatment is now behind this individual and she is fully engaged in her life again.

We serve a wonderful man in our Individual Supports Services. He inherited his family's home where he has lived for many years. Over time, the house fell into disrepair and badly needed a new roof. He, like most of the people we serve, lives below the national poverty level and was not able to save enough for the repairs. But, through the care, creativity and support of his dedicated staff, a social media funding page was established and the community response was tremendous. He received enough donations and local services to complete the repairs which enables him to remain happily in his childhood home.

One individual has been supported by us for over forty years. Currently she is battling a life threatening illness inspiring her to creating a bucket list. CHS staff are helping her check off items on the list by taking trips together and engaging in experiences that she has waited a lifetime to enjoy. This is helping her understand her illness and live a life full of meaning and tranquility.

Individuals become part of the CHS family as each person is cared for by us throughout their lives. This longevity shifts our role well beyond service provider – we are friends, advocates and trusted companions making stories like these every day occurrences. From hope springs possibilities and the enrichment of lives of adults with disabilities remains our mission; our determined focus.

We know there is always more to be done. Help us and our staff continue to step up by donating in whatever way you can. We count on your support to do so and deeply appreciate your contributions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kevin J. Leahy
Chief Executive Officer

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