# 2014 Annual Report



NER creates opportunities for children and adults with developmental disabilities, enabling each to live and make choices to fulfill their potential, ultimately enriching our communities and providing quality support to families.



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#### **OUR LOGO**

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Person with outstretched hands signifying need for help, development, and attention.



Arrow for Northeast

Roof signifying home and shelter. The inner shape is an arrow indicative of growth.



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# **BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Dear Friends of Northeast Residence, Inc...

2014 was a very exciting year for the organization as well as a year filled with significant changes and transition. What has not changed is your continued dedication and support of the organization's mission. Northeast Residence, Inc. (NER) provides a positive impact on the lives of children and adults in our care every day!

NER proudly served over 150 individuals and their families in 2014. The organization has twenty-nine programs and services: Long-term residential care is provided to 96 residents, there are two after school extended-day programs, an adult day program, in-home services, community - based activity programs, and a respitecare program. The respite-care program is the only one of its type in the United States! There are 320 full and part time employees. The NER budget is over \$8.5 million dollars. The organization is commended for maintaining an administrative overhead of just 11%.

During 2014 the administrator's position that was held by Corrine Schmidt for more than 27 exemplary service years was divided into two positons. A new Program Director position was created along with an Executive Director position. Each of these positions has been filled by highly qualified individuals. Shari Newgard is the Program Director and Heidi Holste is the Executive Director. The NER board of directors and staff are very thankful for the smooth leadership transition. The board is especially grateful for the support of NER's dedicated staff during a time of significant change.

As we focus on 2015 we want to thank you for your continued generosity and support of the NER Annual Giving program, the Annual Fundraising Dinner, the Golf Tournament, and the Friends of NER Legacy Program. The individual and corporate partnerships and support of NER permitted the organization to provide economic support for special projects including resident camping and vacation opportunities. Contributions supported specialized equipment, employee training and development, employee scholarships, after school programs, and new program development.

We invite you to visit our web site (http://www.nerinc.org/), "Like" us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter at @NEResidence and look for notifications of our events and the exciting things happening at NER. Take time to learn about our sponsors, support their businesses, and thank them for their many contributions.

The board of directors promises to remain stewards of the gifts and government financial support that allows NER to create opportunities for children and adults with developmental disabilities to live to their fullest potential.

Best regards and thank you,

Joan Purrington Corrine Schmidt Heidi Holste **Board Chair** Administrator **Executive Director** 

# A FAMILY'S STORY

It's the season of giving, and because of people like you, Northeast Residence helps children and adults with developmental disabilities in the Twin Cities area enjoy life and grow as individuals while also supporting their families.

## A Family's Story

Just ask any member of our great big Williams Family what Mark means to them and you will get a wide range of stories and emotions from years of life with Mark. Mark was born the fifth son and middle child of our nine children. He was born with Cerebral Palsy and mild mental retardation. He has been loved and supported by

the entire family for 35 years from a little baby to being the biggest in the family! We loved him into adulthood.

At about 15 years of age our family began using Northeast Residence respite care for an occasional weekend. Mark enjoyed his time at respite and made new friends. Respite gave our family time to just enjoy each other without one member needing constant redirection. We could engage in activities



that weren't always possible, while Mark could get some one on one time in a new environment which helped him to later transition into long term care.

Years later, the time came that Mark noticed his younger siblings moving away to college and he felt a desire to also live independently. We were thrilled to find that Northeast Residence had a group home in Hugo for him to experience his new found freedom. After many years in Hugo, Mark became a resident at NER's Minnesota House. We greatly admire all the dedicated and caring staff that worked with Mark in his 20 years of NER services. He has made friends with peers and staff and so have we! They treat each resident with such dignity and compassion. He has now lived longer under the careful watch of Northeast Residence than in our home. Mark lives close enough to his family that they regularly take him to family birthday parties and other activities.

## A FAMILY'S STORY (cont.)

These compliment the one on one biweekly outings he receives with staff. We appreciate the effort staff makes to take Mark to church to attend Mass each Sunday morning where he is able to share in another community experience and has made several friends. The many varieties of activities he is exposed to are amazing! He has been able to travel to other states on vacation with NER residents and has benefited from these experiences.

When Mark celebrated his "Golden Birthday" at 28 years of age, our family had a wedding type party in his honor. Mark even chose the DJ that played at many of the ARC dances who made the day



very memorable. Many NER residents and staff came and joined in this important milestone in his life. He wanted former teachers, custodians, health care providers, staff, etc. all invited. Family and friends still talk about that wonderful celebration of his life.

The entire Williams Family cannot imagine life without Mark. He is loved beyond words. He puts the fun in all our family events and is loved by his 21 nieces and nephews.

His independence means the world to Mark and we are grateful to NER for his "home away from home!"

Northeast Residence is in need of your financial support to continue the good work their services provide to many. Your generous gift will help provide adaptive equipment, individual programs and community activities for the residents. Please say "yes" to the many children and adults with special needs who need and deserve these opportunities. All gifts are tax deductible.

With grateful hearts,

Mary and Gary Williams

# **STAFF RECOGNITION**

#### 2014 Employee Service Awards

30 Years Diane Mack Susan Deiman

25 Years Laurie Moga

Laurel Vetter Debbie Mann

20 Years Teresa Lennartson

Nan Wrich

15 Years Deb Lewandowski

Shannon Brzinski

10 Years Mathew Amusan

> Candy Johnson Jennifer Florian Julius Kavugha Latiesha Nelson

5 Years Katie Schultz

> Richard Sauer Timothy Daniels Shawn Dolezal Margaret Mbuthia

Kelly Le

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## **CONGRATULATIONS**

to the

## 2013-2014 Ken & Marion Owens Scholarship Fund

recipients, Spencer Dorf and Jaclynn Bock.

Congratulations to you, and we wish you the very best of luck in your education and futures!

## **VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION**

Once again, NER continues to be blessed with a large group of dedicated, generous individuals who give of their time and talents to touch the lives of the individuals and families NER serves, and to help NER achieve our mission.

#### Thank you to our generous volunteers.

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Northeast Residence, Inc. Volunteer of the Gear Awarded in 2014 for your many years of support Our Lady of the Lake Council 4145 Date April 2015 Many Thanks from the Board and Staff of Northeast Residence and Those We Serve

# **FINANCIALS**

## 2014 Statement of Financial Position

Total Assets	\$8,679,329
Total Liabilities	\$5,127,925
Net Assets	
- Unrestricted	\$2,691,174
- Restricted	\$ 860,230
Total Net Assets	\$3,551,404

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2014 Statement of Activities	
Total Support & Revenue	\$9,321,822
Expenses - Program - Administrative & General - Fundraising Total Expenses	\$7,984,950 \$1,010,756 \$ 88,267 \$9,083,973



# **EMPLOYEE THANK YOU**

### Thank you to Donors from NER Employees

As employees of Northeast Residence, we see the differences we can make in the lives of the children and adults we serve every day. We know what it's like to see their faces light up with a smile. We know we are changing the world in our own way through the work we have chosen to do.

We know that financial supporters of Northeast Residence make our work possible.

#### Thanks to you:

- Extended-day programs, respite and in-home services provide opportunities to adults and children with developmental disabilities, and gives their families the flexibility to manage their work-life balance through supportive, positive, enriching care.
- NER long-term care offers an environment where the people we serve can thrive and pursue the choices and activities that make them happy. Many participate in work programs and bring their skills and abilities to the community.
- Your gift provides adaptive equipment, community activities, and helps us meet goals that might not otherwise be possible.

When you choose to participate at any level, your gift combines with the gifts of others to provide for the needs of the men, women and children we serve. What NER provides to families is so appreciated. Be proud of how you are changing lives for the better every day!



# **VALUED CONTRIBUTORS**

As a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, we rely heavily on the generosity of our donors. Their gifts allow us to go above and beyond traditional services. All gifts are fully taxdeductible. Northeast Residence has been fortunate to have wonderful friends in the funding community.

We were also the grateful recipients of funding from:

The Knights of Columbus - Our Lady of the Lake Council 4145 A presenting golf sponsorship from Geritom Medical, Inc.

#### We wish to further recognize the many individuals and businesses that gave so graciously in 2014:

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# **2015 EVENTS**

# **Annual Fundraising Dinner**

Friday, May 29th, 2015 - Lake Elmo Inn Event Center

# "Driving For Dreams" Golf Tournament

Monday, August 10th, 2015 - Indian Hills Golf Course



Information and sign-up opportunities available: NER Office (651) 765-0217

Thank you to last year's golf sponsors and all our event participants!

Please join us this year and show your support!