

2012 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.



Northeast Residence, Inc.

Making a difference in our communities every day

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OUR LOGO

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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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Northeast Residence Inc. (NER) is pleased and proud to present this 2012 annual report.

In 2012 NER provided services to more than 170 children and adults from a total of eight different counties in Minnesota including, Anoka, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Morrison, Pine, and Washington. This includes 24 long-term-care homes, one adult day program and a variety of family support programs. The family support programs include two center-based after school/work programs, two summer programs, and in and out of home respite care. All family support programs are open to families that have their young children and adult children living at home. These programs are perhaps the signature programs that have made NER known for its innovative thinking, and as many have said.... the company with heart. It is our belief that with good supports families are more able to remain emotionally and physically healthy longer and to continue to keep their loved ones at home longer than if good quality supports on a continuous basis were not available.

Our ICF/DD respite-care program is truly a-home-away-from home as individuals come to spend time for two to seven days at a time meeting new friends and experiencing new opportunities in the community. This is also a time when both the parent and the child begin to experience the first steps toward living apart from one another. Each program is focused on individuals' needs and NER's mission. New admissions to each of our family support programs is common and the numbers served is fluid as families move or as loved one's find long-term care in their communities.

Another huge need at NER is that of volunteer support. In 2012 NER increased the number of volunteers helping us meet our mission from 63 to 74. Volunteer opportunities include working at our fundraising events, helping maintain our yards and gardens in the summer, helping with our annual resident and employee picnics, the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive, and of course NER's very own Special Olympics sporting events teams.

In 2012, in keeping with our Mission NER was able to provide several opportunities for the people we serve to enjoy a variety of community based activities including trips to the humane society to walk the dogs, the Children/s Theatre, the Science Museum, Camps, vacations, music in the parks, and many other wonderful things the beautiful state of MN has to offer.

Training is also a major focus of the work NER does each year and in 2012 NER provided 17,489 hours of training to our 320 plus employees.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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Many of our accomplishments over the past years would not have been possible had it not been for the generosity of our many friends such as the Fred C and Catherine B Andersen Foundation, Edwards Memorial Trust, the St. Paul, Foundation, the F. R. Bigelow Foundation and the many local civic organizations such as the White Bear Lake Rotary, the Maplewood Oakdale Lions Club, the Willernie Legion Post 507.

As we are now well into 2013, we are excited of what is to come. The 2013 legislative session has ended and for the first time in many years it is nice to hear that although there will be no additional revenues this year, the expected decrease in funding have been cancelled. This is much welcomed news as we all are united in our beliefs and our mission as it states: Northeast Residence honors the right of all children and adults with developmental disabilities to live, work, play, and make choices, thereby enriching their communities. As always, NER's goal will be to stay focused on our mission, to be positive, to continue to provide the highest quality services possible, to be responsive to the needs of the families we serve, and to live our mission in what we say and in what we do.

Finally, and with great sincerity, we want to thank all of our friends for their continued support and faith in NER. We have been blessed!



Corrine Schmidt
Executive Director

Family Corner – The Ramirez's

Our family started using Northeast Residence in 2001 when we moved here from out of state. Initially, Northeast Residence provided Luis with an extended-day recreation program so we were able to keep our full-time jobs and his brother didn't have to worry about his care and was able to do his schoolwork. After a few years, we started using short-term overnight respite care. This was a huge blessing because it provided a few nights per month that we knew Luis was in



great hands and we could be free to do other activities with our grandchildren and extended family. We could go places that it might be difficult to take Luis.

Luis looks forward to going to Northeast Residence programs because he has an outstanding staff that is very caring and always looks out for his best interest.

He loves the food, friends, games and musical instruments, and has plenty of activities to keep him happy. He knows, and we know, that he is safe and well taken care of.

Looking forward, we know Luis will eventually be going into one of Northeast Residence's group homes. We are fully confident he will continue to receive the high quality care and services they have provided him with all these years.



Christine & Luis Ramirez

STAFF RECOGNITION

Length of Service Award Winners

The service awards for 2012 are:

25 years Melinda Curran

20 years Gail Hays

15 years Kathryn Garrison
Anthony Schmidt
Jarrod Thieling
Wade Hartmann
Kari Germain

10 years Wendy Klawitter
Joseph Paquette
Kyle Heroff
Kevin Heroff
Ashley Peterka
Amy Lyner
Laura Rustand
Brion Curran
Britta Anderson

5 years Bonnie Connolly
Antonio Nadeau
Marc Horowicki
Jillian Tarr
Carla Munson
Trent Stadler
Traci Maruska
William Ramsey
Laurie Gotch
Alicia Wagner
Rebecca Hillman
Kayla Strom
Lynette Vickerman
Farhiya Salad
Michelle Ward
LeAnne Brotherton
Yvonne Kutzer
Lot Nketia
Veronica Willie
Jeffrey Martin
Denise Urban

CONGRATULATIONS to the **2011-2012 Ken & Marion Owens Scholarship Fund** recipients, Lot Nketia, Timothy Daniels, and Kate Heroff. Each year, thanks to a generous donation from Ken & Marion Owens and others, qualified NER employees can apply for two scholarships available. **Thanks to those who make these scholarship funds possible!**

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Once again, NER continues to be blessed with an increasing number of volunteers. In 2012, a host of new individuals helped NER and increased the total number of volunteers to 72. **Thank you to our generous volunteers.**

Jim Blumke	Jobie Meinke
Don Bordsen	Margi Miller
Diane Bruns	Lorrie Morse
Josh & Tonya Bushard	Bob Morse
Kelly & Marci Comer	Eileen O'Keefe
Jake Damerow	Michelle Olson
Joey Damerow	Rich Olson
Leah Damerow	Scott Olson
Sarah Damerow	Suzie Olson
Barb Damerow	Mary Onchiri
Brent & Brea Decosse	Marion Owens
Amy Erendu	Joan Purrington
Steve & Anita Fierro	Christine Ramirez
Bob Hansen	Colleen Roberts
Joan Henry	Sally & Dale Roffers
Kate Heroff	Kay & George Rossez
Sharon Hindahl	Deb Rudolph
Shirley Hollenkamp	Anthony Schmidt
Askilika Howitz	Mary Lou Schmidt
Joy Ballou & Jim Jantzen	Mike & Colleen Schmidt
Charlie & Candy Johnson	Denny Schmidt
Cassie Karp	Paul Schultz
Rachel Kirchgasler	Mike & Cathy Steffen
Lori Kieffer	Dale Stomberg
Bill & Jeannine Kohout	Ann Tulloch
Joan Loer	Lynette Vickerman
John & June Martin	Cec Walsh
Terry Maynard	Bob & Betty Wilmes
Eileen McNiff	Joe & Jeanne Wilmes

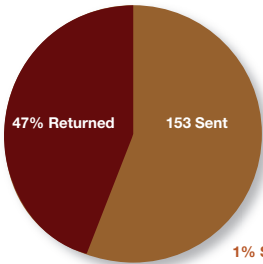
SURVEY

Northeast Residence, Inc. conducts a parent/guardian survey each year. Once again, we also surveyed our case managers. Each were asked the same questions and also asked to provide any feedback. In our effort to provide the best services we look to our families for their important feedback. Our growth and new programs are often born from the needs of our families.

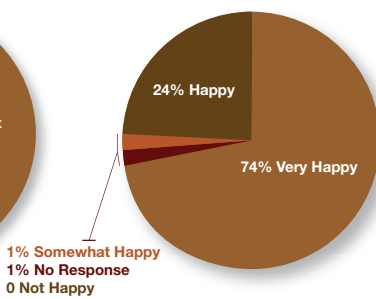
One question asked was, "Would you recommend NER as a provider." We are delighted to report 99% of our families said yes.

Our second question was, "Generally speaking, how satisfied are you with the services provided by NER?" Those results as well as some feedback are shared below. We extend our thanks to all who participated in the survey.

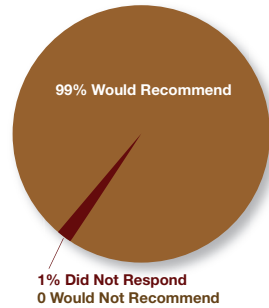
Number of Surveys Sent vs Returned



How Happy are You with NER



Would You Recommend NER



What our families said that NER does well.

"We feel that Brock is receiving excellent care and development opportunities throughout the day."

"You guys are great! Thanks"

"We are very glad Sheri is in a NER home. We tried another company but NER is the best!"

"My sister loves her home. It's so comforting to know she is in great care."

"I like it because it feels like a family taking care of clients."

"You are a God sent in our lives! Without you we couldn't be the happy family we are!"

2012 Statement of Financial Position

Total Assets	\$8,418,085
Total Liabilities	\$5,184,219
Total Net Assets	\$3,233,866
- Unrestricted	\$2,950,644
- Restricted	\$283,222

2012 Statement of Activities

Total Support & Revenue	\$8,747,258
Total Expenses	\$8,477,608
- Program	\$7,422,706
- Administrative & General	\$968,602
- Fundraising	\$86,306

"All staff is very responsive and helpful."



"Thank you for all that you do."

"Extremely satisfied with all the care that is provided to my daughter."



VALUED CONTRIBUTORS

Our 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 tax-deductible. Northeast Residence has been fortunate to have wonderful friends in the funding community. In 2010 NER received the following grants:

The Bieber Family Foundation

Ray Edwards Memorial Trust

We were also the grateful recipients of funding from:

The Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive

A presenting golf sponsorship from Geritom Medical, Inc.

We wish to further recognize the many individuals and businesses that gave so graciously in 2012:

Advent Construction	Cub Foods - White Bear Township	Eugene & Clara Gray
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Melissa Archer	Brent A Decosse	Duncan and Lisa Heathcote
Melody Baker	Karen Dinius	Sue and Joel Heckman
Margaret Mary Bannigan	Donatelli's	Joan Henry
Dawn Barker	Chuck Drake	Lisa Heroff
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Rebecca Bollinger	Tom and Char Dunaski	Dale and Darlene Hofbauer
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John Brennecke	Victor Flint	Janet and Richard Jacka
Diane and Roger Bruns	The Bieber Family Foundation	Aleda & Roy Jacobson
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Bradley Cartier	Golf Galaxy	Brent Jensen
City of Little Canada Parks and Recreation	Geritom Medical Inc	Dawn and Paxton Jevnick
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Bob and Diane Coderre	Joseph Ginter	Tom & Jan Jordan
Kelly & Marci Comer	Curtis & Betty Gjengdahl	Susan and Dwayne Kanne
Bonita Connolly	Glen D. Fladeboe Auctions	Kingsley and Joan Kerrick
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Gayle Mau	Gertrude Schmidt	Jo Ann Zorn
Cory Mitchell	Helen and Jim Schmidt	<i>... and those that wished to remain</i>
Steve Mollner	Eugenia Schottmuller	<i>anonymous</i>
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2013 Events

Fundraising Dinner

Friday, May 31st, 2013 – Vadnais Heights Commons

“Driving For Dreams” Golf Tournament

Monday, August 2nd, 2013 – Indian Hills Golf Course

Information and sign-up opportunities available:
Linda Lia at (651) 303-7982

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

Please join us this year and show your support!

Check out our new website!

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Northeast Residence website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo and name "Northeast Residence" and the tagline "Enriching the lives of the developmentally disabled". To the right of the logo are links for "About", "Contact", and "DONATE". Below the navigation bar are three main menu items: "WHO WE ARE", "FAMILY SUPPORT", and "GET INVOLVED". The main content area features a large heading "More to offer" with the subtext "The more we do, the more they can do." and a "Volunteer" button. There is a photograph of a young girl with her hands clasped in prayer, and an illustration of a park bench. Below the main content, there are two columns: "WHAT THEY'RE SAYING" with a quote from a parent, and "WHAT WE'RE SAYING" with links to news items like "Parent-Help Group" and "MN Government Shutdown - Update". At the bottom of the page, the website URL "www.nerinc.org" is displayed.

You can now make a donation online.