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2017 ANNUAL REPORT
Impressive Numbers!

1 New Website Launched
   Featuring Integrated Board Portal

27 Seminars and Support Groups Benefitted 705 People

17 Individuals and Organizations Honored With Community, Staff & Volunteer Awards

12 Peer Mentors Identified to support Inclusion Goals

5,283 Hours of Community Service

269 Youth and Adult Volunteers Provided

72 Personal Visits with State Legislators to Advocate for I/DD Funding

1,108 People Receiving Direct Support Services in Four Program Divisions

1,899 Respite Service Requests Received to Support Primary Caregivers
In 2013, Mary Madison was featured in a story about The Arc Montgomery County’s residential services. Shortly afterward, her support staff received a phone call and the gentleman on the other end said he was Mary’s brother. After some fact checking, Mary’s team learned that she did indeed have an older brother, and he was living in Virginia!

Joe had seen Mary’s picture on The Arc’s website and immediately reached out. He and Mary had been placed into foster care when Mary was about four years old, and communications were cut with their family and with each other. Joe eventually served in the Navy and raised his own family, but all the time he wondered about Mary. Periodically, he would search the internet to see if he could locate her, and then one day, her picture popped up.

Mary’s staff invited Joe to come visit Mary and gradually helped them get reacquainted. The siblings have rekindled their relationship, and Mary relishes the time she spends with Joe and his family. They talk often, with Joe visiting when he can and Mary’s staff occasionally taking her to Virginia to see Joe. For both of them, the family connection is now stronger than ever.
Three years ago Jason Ordona was living at home with his parents. Anxious to be more independent, he started breaking down barriers by learning to travel around town on the bus and on his bicycle. With support from The Arc’s staff, Jason expanded his knowledge and skills, eventually moving out of his parents’ home and into an apartment with two roommates. But even all of these successes weren’t good enough for Jason; he wanted to live on his own.

Last year The Arc team helped Jason move into his own apartment. He got a job at Wegmans and joins his coworkers after hours for bowling and miniature golf. “I’m a food lover. I love to cook and to try new recipes in my own kitchen.” He also loves that he no longer has to share his food or clean up after other people! Jason spent quite a bit of time with his staff learning not only how to keep his new place tidy, but also how to maintain personal relationships and how to be safe in the community. For him, true independence is no longer a dream, but a reality.
Bidders contemplate silent auction items at The Arc Gala, our signature fundraising event.

Self-advocates share their stories at the #SaveMedicaid rally on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC.
Beth Angerman put her son Joey on the waiting list for KFICCC when she was only nine weeks pregnant, even before her family knew the big news! She had visited the center and loved that it was close to home, but also loved its vibrancy and the transparency she saw in the interactions between parents and staff. “Putting my boys, **Joey and Ethan**, at KFICCC is the best decision we ever made. It’s a real extension of our family! We love that all of the teachers know our boys, not just their classroom staff.”

Beth works a demanding job and says The Arc has always been there for her family. “We have boys—so we don’t panic when the nurses call about bumps and bruises. But it’s great to know they are watching out for our children.” Beyond day-to-day interactions, the staff advocated for Joey to receive speech therapy in his classroom. “We trusted the staff when they recommended him for an evaluation. And we appreciated them even more when they wouldn’t let go until they secured an IEP for him in kindergarten.” Beth feels her boys are academically well-prepared for the next stage of their life, and she credits KFICCC for accommodating their needs.
What makes a good employee? Knowledge? Skills? Positive attitude? All of these? Whatever it is, Donald Johnson has it. He’s been working at Ben Lewis Plumbing in Clarksburg for almost three years, as part of a contract between Ben Lewis and The Arc Montgomery County to employ people with disabilities. Donald was one of the first people selected to apply for his position and he was offered the job after passing a skills test.

Donald helps to load and organize 76 trailers filled with plumbing supplies and equipment. Each day, he fulfills parts orders for outgoing jobs and re-sorts unused parts which come back on the trucks. He’s also grown into a peer leader, helping to guide other members of his team. But the thing Donald likes best (in addition to the paycheck, of course!) is the relationship he has with his coworkers. “Just like everyone else, I get a turkey at Thanksgiving and get to have fun at the holiday party.” And just like everyone else, he is held accountable for his work and praised for a job well done. Donald’s just one of the guys working the yard site, and he thinks that’s perfect.
2017 REVENUES: $24,918,489

66% State Funding
1% Thrift Store
3% Donations & Special Events
13% Program Fees
17% County Funding

2017 EXPENSES: $24,507,545

41% Residential Services
10% Children & Youth Services
2% Business Services
10% Management
21% Vocational & Day Services
16% Family & Community Services

SUPPORTERS ($100-$249) continued

Fred & Carole Newman
Christine Nickels
Catherine Padalino
Randy & Mary Parrish
Blair & Brenda Peace
Larry Pearce & Catherine Valcourt-Pearce
Sharyn Pensmith
Karen Pesapane
Strom Peterson & Maria Montalvo
Polinger Company
Albert & Helen Pollin
Toni Pollin
Alan Porterfield
Bob & Jeanie Price
Alan Pultyyniewicz
Jack & Debra Ramsey
Elizabeth Rash
Sareen Reilly
Thomas & Janet Reise
John & Deborah Rhoad
Lawrence & Lynn Ries
Mark & Heidi Rittenberg
Kathleen Rollason
Danilo & Maria Nydia Romero
Mark Romero & Laura Konda
Lawrence Rosenblum
Royal Treatment Health Care Services
Dave & Terri Schellhardt
Paul & Susanne Schultz
SEEC
Dorothy Sellers
Jamie Sheehan
James Sheesley
Sumitra Siram
Tai Davis Smotherman
Lawrence & Maura Solomon
Joseph & Suzanne Spaniol
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Harvey & Lori Stern
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William R. Dzyak, DDS, P.C.
Chinny Williams
John Wright & Carol Hamilton

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Leonard Abonyi
Susan Alaniz
Carolina Alexander
Douglas & Mary Alexander
Michael Alexander & Debbie Wong
Rachel Alexander
Fahad & Laila Alhussain
Anna Alvarado
Amy Anda
Henry & Gail Anderson
Marguerite & Hallie Autry
Oluyomi Ayedun
Suzanne Balamaci
Michael & Kay Barron
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David & Leslie Bloom
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Kathryn Browning
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Marcia Buehner
Alise Burris
Vaughnetta Caldwell
Ann Campbell
Ida Capehart
Mark & Susan Carlisle
Cindy Cennage
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Melissa Childress
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Karen Colandreo
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On Saturday, April 29, Quacky and his friends arrived on Veterans Plaza in downtown Silver Spring for the 2017 Duck Festival. Our family-friendly afternoon raised $39,498 to support Children & Youth Services programs, and also provided an opportunity to share information about The Arc Montgomery County with the community.

Live entertainment, face painting, and free carnival-style games entertained the crowd, as Quacky posed for photos and gave hugs and high-fives. The event was highlighted by our “duck diver,” who plucked winning ducks from the 7,000 “adopted” by supporters of The Arc. Although no one took home the $1 million prize this year, many other prizes were distributed, including $2,250 in cash.

The biggest winner was our C&YS programs, which used the funds raised to improve the KFICCC building and to enhance our summer programming for all children enrolled.
“It’s amazing to see how much can be accomplished when good people work together to look out for one another.”

– A 2017 Supporter of The Arc