



Progressive Community Services, Inc.

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Supporting people with disabilities in communities throughout Wisconsin.



Nick Fisher Day

Mayor Paul Soglin had declared August 28 Nick Fisher Day which happened to be his birthday. Nick's family and friends gathered at Madison Fire Department's Station 7 for a tour, pictures, and the presentation conducted by Fire Chief Steve Davis. At the presentation, Nick was given a plaque for Nick Fisher Day, a fire coin, (he was the 12th person to receive this coin) and a T-shirt. The fire truck and crew then drove Nick downtown for pizza at Ian's on State Street. The fire department then gave Nick a ride home in the fire truck. He was in seventh heaven.



Letter from the PCS President

By Andrew Porter

We've all experienced some pretty extreme weather over the past year. Soaring temperatures last summer pushed heat indexes into the triple digits. Followed by a winter with extreme wind chills of 50 degrees below zero. This summer has brought thunderstorms and tornadoes to southern Wisconsin and Dane county. While waiting out recent tornado warnings, I thought about how all of us need to be prepared for extreme weather. Please talk with your broker and support team to make sure that you have a plan when bad weather does occur. Utilize neighbors, friends, or family to identify a safe place and then make sure you use it when bad weather hits. Set up a "buddy" to check in with before and afterward. The National Weather Service suggests you make a kit that includes supplies for three days. You can find a suggested list at www.ready.gov/kit. During extreme heat make sure you drink plenty of water, use your air conditioner if possible, and limit your outside activities. When temperatures go below freezing, you can choose to not go outside but if you do, wear extra clothing and bundle up. We can't control the weather, but we can plan and act accordingly to ensure we stay as safe as possible.



Amanda Morris Recognized by St. Mary's Hospital

Amanda Morris was recognized as an excellent volunteer at St. Mary's Hospital. Emergency Cardiac Coordinator, Denise Mitton said, "She makes this world a better place to live in because of her warm smiles, her comforting hugs and her willingness to come in every Friday with her father to share her time with us in making St. Mary's Hospital a place you want to come to and one you do not forget."

PCS Brokers Work on Waitlist Initiative



Susan and Sandra Hoffman were on the waitlist for services in Dane County for many years. They had been privately paying a residential provider to do grocery shopping, doctor appointments, and community outings. In the fall of 2013 both women were eligible to receive Dane County DD services thanks to a county funded "Waitlist Initiative." Susan and Sandra were able to hire support brokers and use county dollars to get more support in the community. The sisters enjoy bowling but had to rely on their mother to make this happen. They now have staff to help them get out in the community. Although Susan and Sandra already had great lives prior to receiving any county funding, they are now able to do a little more in the community and feel the reassurance that they have advocates in their lives outside of the family.

Katie Bogucki is a New PCS Support Broker

Hello! I am thrilled to be part of the Progressive Community Services team. After graduating from UW-La Crosse, I moved to Madison to become a residential case manager, working with developmentally disabled people in their homes. I spent four years in this field while in Madison before moving to Chicago. In Chicago, I was employed with Adult Protective Services, working primarily with older adults and those with physical or developmental disabilities. While I really enjoyed my time in Chicago, I am very happy to be back in the area. My husband and I bought a house on the near west side and I have been rediscovering the great things that the Madison area has to offer. In my free time I like to be outside camping, hiking, or biking, as well as working in my garden.

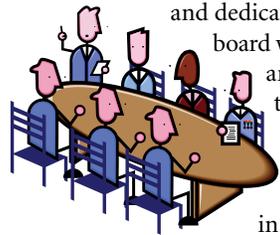


The PCS Board of Directors

Progressive Community Services (PCS) is a nonprofit organization and has a Board of Directors that helps make policy decisions and determines the direction of PCS as an organization. The PCS board meets every other month to get updates, determine long- and short-term plans, and vote on any action issues. The current PCS board President is Andrew Porter. Andy is the Supply Chain Advantage Operations Manager for WMEP, the Wisconsin Manufacturing Extension Partnership. He helps manufacturers succeed by developing business plans, attaining certifications, and improving operations. The board's Vice-President is Anne Hartwig, an attorney with Becker Law. Anne's expertise with SSI appeals offers direct knowledge and a helpful perspective to the PCS board. Kelly Zolinski is the treasurer of the board and previously directed a large not-for-profit program in Dane County. Kelly has been able to tap into that experience on many occasions in order to advise the board. All three board members bring professional and personal experiences that are extremely insightful and vital to the success of PCS. We thank these loyal and dedicated members of the

board with appreciation and gratitude for the time and energy they willingly give to PCS and our community. If you are interested in serving on the

PCS board, please contact Executive Director Alexa Butzbaugh at alexab@pcsdane.org.



Mai Dream Funds

Throughout our lives there are crisis situations where funds need to be immediately available. There are also times when we all need a little extra to achieve a lifelong dream. The Mai Dream Foundation has funds for both situations for all PCS clients. The Mai Dream Foundation was established in memory of Tague Mai and his life. To gain access to these funds, ask your support broker to complete the Mai Dream Foundation request form. Your broker will let you know if the request was approved as soon as possible (usually within a month). Over the past year, Mai Dream funds were able to help people with the following requests:

- help with purchase of washer and dryer
- loan when benefits were interrupted
- flight to Texas to visit father and sister
- new clothes for camp

Thank you for your generous support!



Your tax-deductible donations (#888-800) allow this fund to continue to allow people with disabilities to live quality lives. If you are a state or county employee, please consider giving to Progressive

Community Services through the Combined Campaign of Dane County this fall! Please consider sending a contribution to:

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PCS 2013 Annual Financial Report

INCOME	
Dane County	\$934,141
Misc. Income	\$40,254
EXPENSES	
Program	\$844,061
Management and General	\$129,944
NET ASSETS	\$390



Check out our website
www.pcsdane.org



**JOIN US FOR THE PCS ANNUAL PICNIC ON
THURSDAY, AUGUST 21 FROM 4-6 P.M.
AT OLIN TURVILLE PARK!**

More details to follow.