

The Informer

DRTC Ability at Work

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Welcome to DRTC



Shyla Carson

Please welcome Shyla Carson to DRTC! Shyla is working as a CLE Technician in the Community Living Engagement program and is a great addition to our team. She is a Certified Nurse's Assistant and comes to DRTC with 10 years' experience working with veterans and individuals with disabilities in a residential setting. Shyla also has experience in job coaching. Shyla is a mom of four and loves the outdoors. We are so excited to have her as part of the team!

Craft Fair Coming Soon

The next craft fair is coming up soon. We do not have a definite date but wanted to give plenty of time to plan. If you are interested in selling your crafts at our next craft fair, now is a good time to start thinking of what you can add to your collections that make your craft unique and to start increasing your inventory. Some ideas would be items related to fall holidays such as Halloween and Thanksgiving. Stay tuned for more details and sign-up information.

Crafters, please remember DRTC has a strict no-soliciting policy. This means there is no selling or advertising sales of crafts for purchase to employees or visitors of DRTC in the workspaces. Please reserve your sales for our craft fairs only.



DRTC Staff looking at Allie's crafts

Ability at Work Awards

DRTC's Ability at Work Awards is coming up August 16! We hope you can join us for breakfast as we honor those who champion disability-inclusive workforces and communities. Your presence will support our mission and recognize the achievements of those making a significant impact in our community.

Ability At Work Awards will be held August 16 at the Will Rogers Theatre in Oklahoma City from 7:30 am - 9 am

(breakfast at 7:30 am; program begins at 8:00 am). Tickets and sponsorships are on sale now. Visit DRTC.org/ability-at-work-awards for more information. Please reserve your tickets by August 2.



Resources you may need

If you suspect a vulnerable adult is the victim of abuse, neglect or exploitation, contact your local DHS County Office or call the Statewide Abuse Hotline at 1-800-522-3511. You can also make a report online at apspublic.okdhs.org. When you complete and submit the APS report, it will be forwarded to the appropriate county inbox. You will get a confirmation number when the report has been received. If you feel the vulnerable adult needs an emergency response for immediate health and safety risks, contact 911 immediately.



Reading Room

We are in the process of creating a reading room for our individuals in CLE. We are taking book donations beginning July 15. Picture books, easy reading, and magazines are all welcome. If you have any questions about book donations or drop-off information, please contact Sue Gill at Sgill@drtc.org or 405-946-4489 ext. 1601.



Nicole reading outdoors

Saying Goodbye is Hard to Do



Charles, Troy, Mark, Gary, and Mike at Troy's retirement party

Honoring those who left DRTC in the last program year:

Angie S., Kim B., Kenny S., Burnell G., Danny G., Michael M., Nekia M., Nate R., and Micah B.

Congratulations to Troy T. and Elwood C. on your retirement!

Congratulations to Josh Y. and Brandon B. who moved on to pursue community opportunities at Wonderful Opportunities!

Snack Cart

ACT is raising money to purchase fans for people who don't have air conditioning. They will be selling frozen treats (popsicles, ice cream, frozen lemonade) on Thursday, July 25, for \$1.00 per item.

They also have a snack shop once a month in the MBS meeting room. The day varies each month, and a note will be sent home beforehand. All snack shop items are sold for \$1.00, except for Honey Buns and Otis Spunkmeyer muffins. They sell for \$1.50.



Caregiver survey

Please see the attached caregiver survey and take the time to complete this. These surveys give us input to help us know how you think the agency is performing and help us identify areas we need to work on. Please turn your survey in to Kathy at the front desk of the vocational services building by July 31.



Announcements:
Programs Closed: September 2

Thank you !