

Update

June 2020

Our Current Situation

Together, The Arc of Evansville is working to minimize the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the agency. Staff members have continued to provide essential services through our Residential Services, Behavior Support Services, and Community Job Link programs; complete essential work for customers at Arc Industries; and conduct administrative responsibilities for the agency.

Plans For Resuming Operations

The Arc of Evansville has prepared this tentative timeline for the agency to resume operations of those services that have been temporarily closed.

- Policies and procedures that give guidance related to the steps and practices involved in re-opening the agency have been adopted.
- An in-depth cleaning process of the facilities will be completed by June 19, 2020.



Thank you to everyone who joined the #GivingTuesdayNow movement on May 5th by donating to The Arc of Evansville! YOU provided over \$9,500 in this critical time. Because of you, we are able to continue providing essential services to individuals with disabilities despite the impacts of COVID-19. With your support we are able to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities so they have the opportunity to live a meaningful life in the community today and always.

Thank you for your generosity!

“ I want to say thank you to all of our staff who are working so hard to continue to provide services to the individuals we serve at The Arc. I’m very proud of all of your great work! I also want to say THANK YOU to our generous donors who are supporting individuals with disabilities during this crisis! ”

Deidra R. Conner, President

- Clients 65 and under and with no health-risk concerns will begin receiving services on June 22, 2020.
- Clients over 65 and those with health-risk concerns may begin receiving services on July 6, 2020.

Please note: This timeline is subject to change as deemed necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of our clients and employees.



When you give during these events or throughout the year, **you’re providing vital services** to assist individuals with disabilities in learning social adaptive skills for the potential of increased relationships. **You’re providing community employment assistance** for individuals with disabilities to be productive, connected to others, and contribute to their community. **You’re providing life skills support** to help individuals with disabilities build critical skills for independence. You’re telling individuals with disabilities **THEY ARE ESSENTIAL.**

The Arc of Evansville's Annual Fund Gift Club Members

July 1, 2019 – May 12, 2020

Thank you for your investment in the lives of individuals with disabilities. Your participation in our gift club signifies your desire for individuals with disabilities to be empowered for building relationships, gaining independence, and achieving their full potential. It is because of you that individuals with disabilities are experiencing success in their lives.

President's Circle (\$5,000+) Platinum (\$2,500 - \$4,999)

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In-Kind Needs

Here are some critical needs The Arc of Evansville has at this time. If you are able, please consider providing some of these needs by making an in-kind donation. We greatly appreciate your generosity and assistance in meeting the needs of those we serve. To donate, please contact Kayla Schmitt at (812) 428-4500 ext. 309 or kayla.schmitt@arcofevansville.org.

Special Request for Reopening

- Disinfectant Lysol Spray

Special Request for our Summer Teen Program

- 2 - Large Coolers With Wheels
- Re-freezable Ice Packs, Large Size

Requests for daily programming

- Band-Aid Spray
- Disinfectant Wipes, Hard Surface
- Hand Sanitizer
- Pants, Elastic Waist, Men & Women's, Larger Sizes
- Personal Cleansing Wipes
- Socks, Men & Women's, New
- Towels
- Underwear, Men & Women's, New, Larger Sizes
- Washcloths

Homelessness. Financial instability. Medicaid ineligibility. Vulnerability.

Unfortunately, these are some of the realities individuals with disabilities often experience when there are no support systems or services available to assist them.

You transform the lives of individuals with disabilities.

In the past, Henry* experienced homelessness and loss of his insurance and waiver services. Henry's journey to maintain a healthy and safe environment has not been an easy one. Thankfully, through the support of donors, a team of Arc staff members has worked tirelessly to make a difference in Henry's life.

The Arc team spends time educating Henry on how he can be safe in the community. They have taught Henry how to use the public bus system for transportation. Henry was walking several miles each day, including the winter months, to get to and from work. Making this change has reduced Henry's daily commute time, and he no longer needs to cross multiple lanes of traffic on a major highway. He has learned to navigate the bus system for safe transportation.

Henry has a kind and trusting nature. He believes people are his friends based on if they say they are, not because their actions prove it. As a result, people have taken advantage of Henry in the past. The Arc team spends time teaching him how to maintain healthy relationships and set boundaries. This teaching is especially important because not too long ago, some of Henry's acquaintances sold most of his possessions except for an old couch, a few odds and ends, and some clothes. Sadly, exploitation is all too common for individuals with disabilities, and Henry experienced this first hand. The Arc team is providing Henry the training and supports necessary, so that hopefully this does not happen again.

With your donations, **YOU are a support system** for Henry and others like him. **YOU help to protect** Henry by providing stability. **YOU help him manage** his finances, so his rent is paid on time, and he has groceries. **YOU are actively advocating** for Henry.

*Name changed to protect the individual



You make a difference in Henry's life.



Thank you to Berry Global for
their donation of face shields
to be used to serve individuals
with disabilities. We appreciate
your generosity!



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Did You Know?

For the rest of 2020, a donor will be able to deduct up to \$300 as a charitable deduction, regardless of whether or not the person itemizes their deductions. This “above the line” deduction only applies to cash gifts.

This change was part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act passed on March 27, 2020 to help taxpayers, businesses, and nonprofits in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic and economic downturn.

We recommend you contact your financial advisor to explore how this and other changes in the CARES Act can help you as you support The Arc of Evansville. Consider making your donation today to The Arc of Evansville!

Achieve with us.®

Our Mission The mission of The Arc of Evansville is to empower individuals with disabilities to build relationships, gain independence, and achieve their full potential.

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Please direct any questions or comments regarding this newsletter to Cinda Phillips, Vice President of Development at (812) 428-4500, ext. 308, or cinda.phillips@arcofevansville.org.



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