

CARRIE BLACKHAM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



The Arc of Evansville's Board of Directors unanimously chose Carrie Blackham as the Executive Director to lead the organization in fulfilling its mission and vision. Carrie began her new role on Monday, June 13, and is busy becoming familiar with clients, staff, and the community. Owensboro, KY, is home for Carrie, and she says it feels good to be back in the area.

Before joining The Arc, Carrie served as the Chief Community Impact Officer of Pathfinder Services, Inc. in Huntington, IN. She was responsible for all program areas, including those providing support services for individuals

with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Also, Carrie served as the Chief Executive Officer of Wendell Foster in Owensboro, KY. At Wendell Foster, she initiated a new transportation project by raising funds to ensure people with developmental disabilities had access to community events after public transit ceased operations for the day.

Carrie holds a Bachelor of Arts in Government from Western Kentucky University and a Juris Doctor from Western New England College School of Law. Carrie's strengths include relationship building with funders and donors, community partners, and team members. She has a participative leadership style that encourages engagement at all levels of an organization.

Carrie is looking forward to meeting everyone affiliated with The Arc. Please join the Board of Directors and staff in welcoming her to the agency.

Doug Diekmann, Board Chair, said, "Carrie was selected for this position because of her years of extensive nonprofit experience in organizations serving individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. And, because of her collaborative and entrepreneurial nature."

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THE REALLY BIG SHOW RAISED CLOSE TO \$73,000!

The Really Big Show celebrated its 20th Anniversary on February 12th. Unfortunately, the event was not held in person, but was shown on Channel 14 WFIE and amazed more than 50,000 viewers with community talent. The Arc of Evansville wants to give a **Really Big Thank You** to everyone who helped make this show happen. If you missed the show, you can view it on our website at www.arcofevansville.org.

For the 21st Annual Really Big Show on February 11, 2023, we are ready to fill seats and share the show live and on stage with the community. Mark your calendars for this special event, which will be held at the Old National Events Plaza! All event proceeds impact individuals with disabilities to build relationships, gain independence, and achieve their full potential.



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CAN YOU GIVE US A HAND?

Volunteering at The Arc is fun, exciting, and rewarding. It will expand your connections with others and give you a sense of achievement. Also, it is a great way to support The Arc of Evansville and individuals with disabilities.

July 16, Otters Game Volunteers (9)

Volunteers are needed for ushering, managing our promotions table, and handing out t-shirts.

Clerical Volunteers (2)

Assistance is needed for clerical duties in multiple departments. Some responsibilities include copying and binding handbooks, helping with large mailings, and supporting special projects. Getting to select hours that work best with your schedule makes it convenient too.

If you can help us, please get in touch with Kelley Tenbarge at (812) 428-4500, ext. 307 or kelley.tenbarge@arcofevansville.org.

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Individuals with disabilities are underserved and have some of the greatest needs within our community. Without YOU, those served by The Arc of Evansville don't receive the necessary support for building their skills and reaching their goals.



Pam has a visual impairment, but she doesn't let that stop her from working a job, earning money, and having a 'fantastic' day. She does everything enthusiastically. Pam says, "I like to stay busy, and I like to make money." Employment support assistance is provided for Pam and she is learning a new job in the Clean Room at Arc Industries. Your donations are helping Pam improve her employment skills, reach her full potential in her new job, and continue being a contributing member of our community!

THE ARC OF EVANSVILLE'S ANNUAL FUND GIFT CLUB

The Arc of Evansville's vision and mission are made possible by our dedicated and generous donors. We want to thank our 2021-2022 Annual Gift Club members as of June 17, 2022. YOU ensure individuals with disabilities achieve their goals and live fulfilling lives.

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STAR WARS NIGHT

WITH THE EVANSVILLE OTTERS!

JULY 16TH @ 6:35P • HISTORIC BOSSE FIELD

FREE TICKETS: CALL 812.428.4500, EXT. 307
OR PICK UP AT EITHER ARC LOCATION!

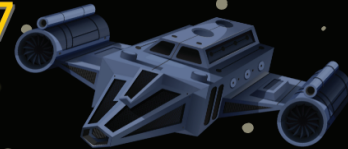
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STAR WARS THEMED JERSEY AUCTION!

FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

A BENEFIT GAME FOR

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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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Carrie Blackham, Executive Director

Please direct any questions or comments regarding this newsletter to
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