Koinonia Enterprises

At Koinonia Enterprises, we strive to provide a full range of service options to help people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) live their best life possible through a commitment to person-centered services that connects people to relationships and uncovers a person’s talents and passions in a model we call LIFE.

**ADULT DAY SERVICES**
Koinonia's Adult Day Program is a good fit for individuals who are unsure if they wish to seek employment, but who still want to enjoy a wide variety of engagement activities in and out of the center.

**VOC HAB SERVICES**
Koinonia’s Voc Hab program is great for individuals who want to find their path to employment, while building the skills necessary to achieve their goals. This includes community volunteering, social skills training, interview skills and the fundamentals necessary for finding and keeping a job.

All Programming is built around individuals and choices, in which activities offered reflect each of their interests and abilities as well as his or her goals as outlined in the Individualized Service Plan (ISP). Individuals start their day in one of many program rooms. From there they might spend part of their day on a community outing, or working on activities of daily living, or socializing with peers. Educational curriculum is built into each day, including reading, writing, computer education, crafts, music, games, and exercise.

**COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING**
Community-based programming is a great way to provide social experiences to individuals in their local communities. Engaging activities may include:
- Park Visits
- Picnics
- Trips to historic sites
- Hiking
- Sports
- Bird & Animal Observations
- Music
- Cookouts
- Library Visits

**VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING**
A space to connect ourselves with meaningful experiences and opportunities in the community. Virtual delivery is a major resource for the STEP model programming and individualized interests in group sessions (1:1 - 1:4). STEP model focuses on direct service delivery but allows for limited amounts of service delivery on behalf of a person to ensure the person has all needed equipment and supplies to participate in services outside of the day service center.

**KE NAVIGATION**
Current Events  Exercise/Dancing  Skill Development
Virtual Tours  Cooking/Nutrition  Hang Out/Friends
Employment Skills  Career Exploration  Art/Music

KE is able to provide active treatment for individuals seeking Adult Day and Voc Hab services from the comfort and safety of their own home. KE staff is equipped to take their programming curriculum out of the walls of the Adult Day Program and into the homes of any individuals seeking KE services.
A Better LIFE

LIFE is an acronym for Lifelong Inclusion for Everyone, and at Koinonia Enterprises it’s a model that clearly identifies adequate supports needed for people with IDD to move from exclusion to community inclusion while addressing each individual’s choices, barriers, and needed supports.

The LIFE model includes a tool called LIFE Canvass that measures an individual’s ‘LIFE Level’ which is a ranking based on the individual’s ability and desire to be active in the community, and identifies any barriers to inclusion they face, and supports they may require. Using the LIFE model along with the Choices app, people may choose to explore a career path or engage in volunteer work, participate in cultural activities, explore virtual events, join a sports team or other activity. It can be integrated into Virtual Programming, Facility-Based Programming, In-Home Programming and Community Programming.

The Choices app allows staff or individuals to quickly find community-based activities that are appropriate for each individual’s LIFE Level.

Getting out in the community is important for Neysa, who enjoys volunteering.

The LIFE model is designed so that individuals will:

- Be active and live, work, and have access to activities and choices like anyone else;
- Have natural supports, personal relationships, and friendships outside of Koinonia’s walls;
- Have choices based on their personal interests;
- Participate in socially “expected” activities either independently or with support dependent on their ability;
- Have meaningful membership within the community;
- Be heard and feel accepted; and,
- Have access to training and resources necessary to support an inclusive life.
The ability to be mobile is critically important for everyone, particularly people who have developmental disabilities. Koinonia offers Non-Medical Transportation Services through their fleet of over 59 vehicles. Vehicles are maintained by certified mechanics.

Talking about the transportation service, Koinonia Enterprises (KE) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Koinonia, Northeast Ohio’s leading agency dedicated to ending the social, physical, and economic isolation of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Koinonia serves as a lifeline to true independence, health, meaningful employment, self-esteem, and appreciation.

KE is certified by the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD) in Adult Day Supports (ADS), Career Planning, Job Coaching, Vocational Habilitation (Voc Hab) Supported Employment and Community Integration. Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) has certified KE in Job Development, Job Coaching, and Job Seeking Training. KE is proud to be accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).

MISSION: Partnering with people who have developmental disabilities to achieve healthy, fulfilling, enriched lives.
VISION: To be the leading service organization creating a world where individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities are fully included in the community and are empowered with choice.
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