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SUPPORT THOSE WITH DISABILITIES



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Welcome to the 2023 Year-End Philanthropic Portfolio. This year, we have selected organizations whose missions support those with disabilities. As you make your year-end giving decisions, we hope that perhaps this shines a light on organizations new and old, which you can support in their work to make the world a better, more equitable place for those with disabilities.

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Association for Vision Rehabilitation and Employment, Inc



<https://www.avreus.org/>

MISSION

Our Mission is to create opportunities for success and independence with people who are blind or visually impaired through vision rehabilitation and employment.

Our Vision is to be the first choice for vision rehabilitation services and employment for all people who are blind or visually impaired in the southern tier of New York while expanding our reach.



Blind Industries & Services of Maryland



<https://bism.org/>

MISSION

To provide stable career opportunities, innovative rehabilitation programs, quality products and services and to develop resources for training and education.

Our organization is an internationally recognized leader whose associates provide evolving opportunities for blind people and others.



Camp Dirigo via Pine Tree Camp for the Deaf



<https://pinetreesociety.org/camp-home/pinetreecamp/dirigo-experience/>

MISSION

Pine Tree Camp's Dirigo Experience brings Maine's Deaf and hard of hearing youth together at Pine Tree Camp for unique opportunities year-round. Most Deaf youth have never had the chance to meet another Deaf person their own age. The Dirigo Experience breaks that cycle by providing students the chance to make new friends and develop a greater sense of self-esteem through trying new things with peers.

This program is designed to help combat isolation and build confidence, leadership and social skills. Participants experience a sense of connection and community together at Camp, then have ongoing opportunity to stay in touch with their new-found friends remotely and in-person, all while having fun!

Pine Tree Camp's Dirigo Experience is designed for ages 7 to 15 and limited to 30 participants. Dates vary throughout the year. Full scholarships are available.





Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind



<https://www.clb.org/>

MISSION

Since 1900 Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind has been dedicated to helping the blind or visually impaired population of the greater Washington region overcome the challenges of vision loss. Our work enables people of all ages who are blind or visually impaired to remain independent, active, and productive in our society.



Duet Foundation



<https://www.duetne.org/>

MISSION

More than 50 years ago, Nebraska's government felt that institutionalized care was failing the people of our state with physical, intellectual and developmental disabilities.

That's when, in 1968, a group of passionate advocate parents who wanted something better for their children came together to start a new kind of compassionate care model for people who needed a helping hand.

The result was ENCOR, Nebraska's first Community Based Service System program serving people who experience developmental and intellectual disabilities. ENCOR was designed to help people find ongoing support customized to their unique needs and help them thrive independently throughout adulthood. ENCOR provided people with the tools they needed to learn new skills, live independently, find meaningful employment and live happy, healthy lives as contributing members of the community. As ENCOR grew over the years, the organization expanded to serve people in five Nebraska counties.

Today renamed to Duet (which stands for "Develop, Unite, Empower, Together,") we continue to provide day support centers, residential support, job coaching and employment opportunities, continuing education and community advocacy, and many other services.



Guiding Eyes for the Blind



<https://www.guidingeyes.org/>

MISSION

Guiding Eyes for the Blind provides guide dogs to people with vision loss. We are passionate about connecting exceptional dogs with individuals for greater independence.

Guiding Eyes is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with all services provided completely free of charge.





Helen Keller Services



<https://www.helenkeller.org/>

MISSION

Our mission is to enable individuals who are blind, DeafBlind, have low vision or combined vision and hearing loss to live, work and thrive in their community of choice.



Mosaic



Real life. Real possibilities.

<https://www.mosaicinfo.org/>

MISSION

Embracing God's call, Mosaic relentlessly pursues opportunities that empower people.

We see people as unique, beloved and important. We listen to what matters to you and help you lead a meaningful, healthy life on your terms.

We meet you where you are because we've been there. We've been excluded, unwelcome and in need of help. When things get hard – and they will – we will be there to see you through.

We're problem solvers and connectors. We partner with people to create meaningful lives in caring communities, giving a voice to people's needs.

Our team harnesses data, processes and technology to provide high-quality services to as many people in need as we can. We build relationships to drive outcomes for communities, funders, families and, most importantly, the people we serve.