



CELEBRATING 45 YEARS OF PROGRESS: 1979-2024



Sandy Ham
President and CEO

Thank you!

This year marks a significant milestone for Progress as we recognize the agency's **45th year of service**. This is a testament to our enduring commitment to supporting people with disabilities in achieving a fulfilling life in their community.

Throughout our history, P.I. has delivered the highest quality services for people with disabilities. From our community-based residential programs to supported employment and day habilitation services, we create opportunities for growth and independence in every facet of life. Yet, the impact extends far beyond our years of service. It is reflected in the stories of achievement and accomplishment shared by those we serve.

Today, we are proud to serve nearly 250 individuals across central Iowa. The individuals featured in this newsletter exemplify the impact of our services. None of this would be possible without the generous support of individuals like you.

As we mark this significant milestone, we invite you to join us in commemorating our progress by contributing to the P.I. Foundation. Your support ensures that we can continue making a real difference in the lives of those we serve.

DUSTIN IS DRIVEN TO SUCCEED

We are thrilled to share an exciting update from our residential living program featuring Dustin—a true example of progress.

Dustin embarked on a significant endeavor—taking driving lessons to obtain his driver's license. Despite initial apprehension, Dustin was committed to achieving this goal. We're thrilled to share that Dustin has successfully completed his driving course and proudly earned his driver's license. This accomplishment represents a major milestone in Dustin's journey toward independence.

But the good news doesn't stop there. Dustin is now taking the next step in his journey by shopping for his very own truck. Dustin's success inspires us all and reminds us of the incredible potential within each individual we serve.



Dustin achieves independence with the support of P.I.'s hourly residential services team.

DEDICATION TO DESTINATION

Seven years of dedicated service at Menard's in Altoona, Iowa, have culminated in success for JR, who is realizing his travel aspirations.

Last year, JR traveled to Branson, MO, for a live music and entertainment getaway. This year, he achieved another milestone by visiting Disneyland, a testament to his hard work and perseverance. In addition to this, JR received **Menard's Front End Team Member of the Month** award for March 2024.

Behind JR's employment success is the support of Progress Industries (P.I.), a cornerstone of his journey toward greater independence. JR receives 24-hour residential living services for independent community living. The dedicated staff at P.I. plays an integral role in JR's daily life, offering a wide array of skill-building supports tailored to his unique needs. From financial management to meal planning and preparation, community living services equip JR with the tools necessary to navigate life with confidence and autonomy.



OUR MISSION

Supporting people to achieve a fulfilling life in their community.



OUR VISION

We envision people able to live by their choices with dignity and respect.

Join Us in Making a Difference

Celebrate P.I.'s **45th Anniversary** with us by making a commemorative gift to the P.I. Foundation. Your support plays a vital role in providing individuals with disabilities access to quality services.

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Serving central Iowans with disabilities since **1979**



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