Adair County SB40 Developmental Disability Board Community Learning Center

Monthly Report for March 2018

Total recorded visits: 154

Total recorded volunteer hours: 14

In observance of National Developmental Disability Awareness Month, we structured our programming around legislative advocacy. Legislation 101 class continued with a presentation by Assistant City Manager Ashley Young, attending a Kirksville City Council meeting, the Legislation Education Project: On the Road, and traveling to Jefferson City to meet with Representative Nate Walker. The participants in the Legislation 101 program demonstrated a much greater understanding of governmental processes and how to appropriately identify and advocate for the things they care about.

Project STIR and Circles relationship training continued through March and will continue through April as well. The students in Project STIR prefer to move at a slower pace in order to master the material, so the class will continue through the summer, with graduation sometime in July or August. Circles level 1 will conclude at the end of April, and we hope to begin a Circles level 2 class sometime this summer. A second section of Nutrition in the Kitchen class began in March and the first section concluded at the end of the month.

We have been hard at work coordinating with the Art Show committee to put together an inclusive and impressive show this year. The artwork will be on display from April 16-26 at the Kirksville Art Association on South Baltimore, with a reception on April 19- also marketed as the Kirksville Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours event. We are very grateful for this unique opportunity

The interview process for L.I.F.E. Summer Program staff has begun and youth applications have started to come in. Program planning is moving right along and is on schedule to have another successful program this year.

Our Dementia 101 skill share at Take Root Café had a large turnout and provided some good feedback about how the material can be presented to several different demographics. In the next quarter, we hope to provide this training to at least two different support teams. If you know any groups that would like Dementia care training, we would be happy to tailor a training to their needs.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Baker