

## Community Engagement Report for October 2018

Recorded Center Visitors: 263

Recorded Center Volunteer Hours: 26

Community Engagement Conference Attendees: 211

### Daily Life & Employment:

- We hosted a Halloween Party on October 31<sup>st</sup>. It was very well attended and everyone seemed to have a good time.
- Several people have the opportunity to practice different employment skills at the Center, including sorting paperwork, assembling our monthly mailings, and sharing their gifts and talents with their peers.
- Some of the recreational activities that we offered in October were various Halloween crafts, an interactive sing along with Sigma Alpha Iota, playing cards at Caffiend Fix, Bingo, and Wii games.

### Community Living:

- Students enrolled in Cooking Class learned how to adapt recipes and safely prepare meals. It is important for people to develop their cooking skills so that they can be empowered to create a kitchen environment that meets their needs.

### Social & Spirituality:

- Spirituality and Inclusion was the center point of the Community Engagement Conference. Prior to the event, we engaged with different faith communities to tell them about the mission of the conference and invite them to attend. We've located resources to guide faith communities through the process of creating an inclusive culture and will be working closely with them in the next few months as they begin the process of creating inclusion committees.

### Healthy Living:

- One aspect of cooking class is learning about nutrition and how the food we eat affects our bodies. So far, we have discussed food safety, portion sizes, and food groups.

### Safety & Security:

- Melissa is part of the CARF team and has been working to prepare our organization for accreditation.
- We offered one new Mandt training and one recertification in October and registered for our instructor recertification. We will be attending trainer recertification training January 7-10 and the Center will be closed that week.

### Citizenship & Advocacy:

- Project STIR students have continued learning about their rights, responsibilities, and self-determination.