



COMMUNITY IS THE SOLUTION

We need your continued partnership.

IACP'S TOP PRIORITIES: SERVING IOWANS IN THEIR HOMES AND COMMUNITIES.

- ◆ Fully reinvest dollars from Glenwood Resource Center to **build capacity and infrastructure** for Home and Community Based (HCBS) and Habilitation Services.
- ◆ **Create a sustainable growth mechanism** providing regular and predictable investments in HCBS and Habilitation Services.
- ◆ Convert the \$22 million ARPA allocation made in 2022 to State dollars for **sustained funding** of HCBS and Habilitation Services.

WHO ARE COMMUNITY PROVIDERS?

We help Iowans with disabilities, mental and behavioral health conditions so Iowans can live in and thrive in all 99 counties.

CORY'S STORY

Cory's story as shared by his parents, Byron and Diane Brockman:

As Cory's parents, it took us some time to make the decision for Cory to leave Glenwood Resource Center (GRC) for an opportunity to fully live in the community. It was a scary decision for us.

Cory met with Nishna Productions, and we decided they were a good fit. With Cory, we visited three different homes - one in Glenwood, Red Oak and Malvern. We decided the Malvern house was perfect because it felt like home. We liked that Cory would share the home with three others and be able to zip around in his wheelchair with no problem. Cory has adapted well to his new home and roommates. The staff supporting Cory give him lots of attention and perhaps even spoil him. This is comforting to us as parents.

Cory has a busy life. He goes to day habilitation in Red Oak three days a week and is active in the community where he enjoys people watching. The location of his home gives him ample opportunity to do the same when he has downtime. Cisco's Service is another favorite place. Cory can be found at Cisco's Service in Malvern providing some supervision to the cars being fixed and staying current on local happenings.

The staff of Nishna are wonderful. Each show they truly care about Cory and who he is as a person. From a parent's perspective, we are delighted to see he is spoiled rotten. Byron and I really appreciate this. We couldn't have made a better decision for our son.



COMMUNITY PROVIDERS STILL DO HOUSE CALLS

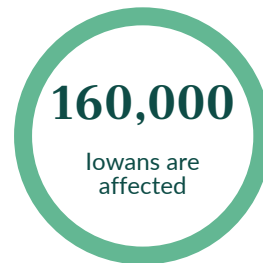
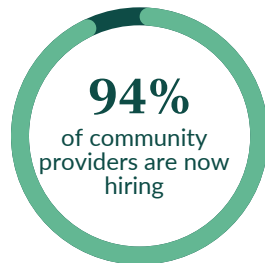
Iowans need more community-based services. People deserve to live and work in their communities of choice. Community Providers make that possible. Accessible and quality community-based services for all Iowans can be achieved through continued investment. A life experienced in any of Iowa's communities is the answer for everyone.

Financial investment will help community-based providers improve the lives of Iowa's most vulnerable citizens.

DIFFERENT FROM OTHER HEALTHCARE

What sets Iowa's community providers apart from other healthcare?

- ◆ We work in people's homes, places of work, and provide support for community engagement.
- ◆ We provide services 24/7 and 365 days a year.
- ◆ Services are ongoing and lifelong.
- ◆ Iowa Medicaid is the single payor source of community-based services resulting in 90% of our revenue.



CONTINUE INVESTING IN DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS

Thank you for your past support. Recent investments in the DSP workforce raised average wages from \$11.98 to \$14.58. These investments are critical first steps. Our ability to create the capacity needed today hinges on your continued investment. Competition for entry-level employees and direct support professionals remains fierce. Our providers compete directly with fast-food, retail, and other health-care related businesses, yet carry the responsibility to meet the daily needs of vulnerable Iowans. This investment will build capacity to serve more Iowans.

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