

ANNUAL **REPORT**

The **Arc** Muskegon **2022**



OUR **MISSION**

The mission of The Arc Muskegon is to provide advocacy, education and support services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families, and actively support their inclusion, equality and participation in their community throughout their lives.

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Community Partners

United Way of the Lakeshore
MAISD
Healthwest
Ottawa County CMH
West Michigan CMH
Senior Resources
Muskegon Community Foundation



Message from The Executive Director,

Dignity, inclusion, respect, and reverence are words that we carry with us everyday and often take for granted. For those with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, these are words that unfortunately do not come easy. The Arc of Muskegon is here to ensure people with disabilities can own those words and feel complete inclusion in their community. We have been in Muskegon County for over 70 years yet our name and mission are still not widely known. Our goal is to incorporate our mission into the communities forefront whether it be through advocacy, job awareness, special education advocacy or program services we offer to the disabled community. The Arc Muskegon wants to create a world where individuals with disabilities are seen as valuable members of their communities and where everyone is granted the opportunity to succeed to their fullest potential.

Over the course of 2022 we have expanded our services into Oceana and Ottawa counties. We were awarded several grants to continue our advocacy work. The Arc Muskegon was honored to be a recipient of a Trust distribution from a gentleman who knew first hand the importance of the work we do and individuals we support. We received a 3 year accreditation through CARF which dives into our daily operation, policy/procedures, safety measures, financial practices, law requirements, etc.

We would like to thank all of the individuals, families, corporations and community partners who provided financial support throughout 2022. The generosity in Muskegon County is truly amazing.

Chris Pickel

By the Numbers

Revenue \$891,903

Events/Membership 10.9%
United Way 2.4%
Investments 2.2%
The Arc Michigan 1.6%
Services/Grants 13.9%
Contributions 69%

Expenses \$291,533

Programs/Services 64%
Operating/Salaries 19%
Program Development 17%

Over
8900
Calls

Special Education Advocacy
Services Assisted **35** families

Social Media
Reached
103,325
Individuals

70
Arc
Members

Representative
Payee
Clients
107

Consumer Voice Part II Self-Advocates spent the day in Lansing to meet with Legislators on Disability Rights



Pictured: Yolanda, Allison, Audrey, Joey, Carrie, Keir and Robert

#joinourfight

By joining our network of more than 140,000 members and close to 700 affiliated chapters nationwide, you can be a part of the largest grassroots movement to protect the rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. What your membership gets:

- Bi-monthly newsletters with highlights, resources and activities
- Affiliation with the state and national Arc, providing the latest information impacting individuals with disabilities
- Voting privileges for electing board members and other business
- In an effort to streamline processes, all past and new members will have the same membership month of April, a renewal will be sent with each year's annual report, financial statement, slate of officers and meeting agenda
- Please use the envelope provided to review levels and send a check for membership or go to www.arcmuskegon.org to use a credit card. You may also use:

Venmo





The City Clerk's office taught individuals how to use a disability friendly voting machine at our Annual Self-Advocacy Conference



Lifelong supporters, The Potuznik Family, enjoying the day at our 29th Annual golf outing which raised \$9,024



Our program Empowerment Link held a safety training with Officer Dan Dennis at the Career Tech Center



The 2nd Annual Christmas Auction hosted by Wonderland Distilling raised \$14,360

