The Moonlight Times









Feature Story

Together We Grow: Josh's Journey

Josh's journey is one of growth, transformation, and resilience. Over time, and especially in recent months, we have seen a significant decrease in behaviors that once created barriers for him. Through consistent support and structure, Josh has made meaningful progress in how he engages both at home and in the community.One of the most exciting areas of growth has been his independence in cooking.Josh has learned how to bake cakes, prepare his own meals, and even experiment with new combinations. His latest creation? Mac and cheese with peas. According to Josh, it is the best thing you will ever eat. We are still gathering opinions on that one.

He has also expressed interest in learning how to cook Chinese food, which shows his curiosity and desire to continue growing his skills.In the community, Josh has made tremendous progress. Grocery shopping, which was once a major challenge, is now something he manages successfully. He plans, stays within budget, and navigates the environment with patience and understanding.Beyond skills, Josh has grown socially and personally. He attends church regularly, participates in bowling every Saturday, enjoys outings, and has built meaningful relationships. He even spends time playing Uno with his girlfriend, which has become a consistent and positive part of his routine.One of the most touching moments this month was seeing Josh with a baby doll he purchased for his girlfriend. He shared his hopes of one day having a family and raising a child. That moment reflected not just growth, but vision, connection, and hope.

Josh has come a long way. And he is not done yet.

Individual Spotlight

Last month, we shared part of Sylvia's journey. This month, we are celebrating something incredible. Sylvia has officially had her feeding tube removed.This is something that, at one point, many believed might never happen. But through determination, support, and her own strength, she has reached a milestone that speaks volumes. Her journey is a reminder that progress does not always follow a straight path, but with the right support, it is always possible. We could not be more proud of her.









EXPANDING SERVICES: GROWTH IN MOTION

Moonlight continues to grow, and we are excited about what lies ahead.

We are currently working toward expanding our services into Richland and Seneca counties, opening the door for more individuals to receive the support they need. At the same time, we are preparing to begin services for our first client in Williams County by the end of this month, with many more expected to follow. This growth is meaningful. It reflects trust, need, and the continued impact of the work being done every day.

We have also received overwhelming referrals for HPC services and transportation, and we are truly grateful for the opportunity to continue serving more individuals and families. Every new referral is not just a number, it is a person, a story, and a chance to make a difference.

Center Stage

KARAOKE NIGHT: WHERE CONFIDENCE TOOK CENTER STAGE

This month, we celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a Karaoke Night that brought out more than just great music. Dressed in green and ready to celebrate, our individuals showed up with energy, excitement, and a willingness to try something new.And try they did.

One of the most memorable moments of the night was Daniel taking the stage. For someone who is typically more reserved, seeing him step into the spotlight and perform was nothing short of powerful. Moments like that remind us that confidence sometimes just needs the right environment to show up.

Ryan kept the momentum going with multiple performances, making sure the crowd stayed engaged and entertained.

There was laughter, cheering, and even a few"encore-worthy"moments.

Let's just say. . . if Moonlight ever starts a talent show, we already have our headliners.

Between the great food, shared laughter, and the 360 camera capturing unforgettable moments, the night reflected what Moonlight is all about connection, confidence, and community.



Celebrating Growth, Connection, and New Possibilities

March has been a month full of life, laughter, and meaningful progress across the Moonlight family. As the weather began to warm up, so did the energy among our individuals. From stepping onto stages to reaching personal milestones we once thought impossible, this month reminded is that growth often shows up when you least expect it.

"Together, small steps create big change."

Community Spotlight

ZACH'S BIRTHDAY: MORE THAN A CELEBRATION

Zach's birthday was not just a celebration, it was a milestone. Surrounded by family, friends, staff, and fellow individuals, Zach spent the day dancing, singing, playing games, and simply enjoying present in the moment. What stood out most was his ability to engage in a larger social setting, something that has historically been difficult for him.

This moment mattered. It showed progress, growth, and possibility. In collaboration with his house manager, we are continuing to build on this progress to support Zach in expanding his social comfort beyond the home. Because celebrating life should never feel out of reach. And judging by the smiles that day, it definitely was not.



ADULT DAY SERVICES: BUILDING SOMETHING DIFFERENT

We are proud to share that Moonlight has received approval to move forward with developing Adult Day Services. While we are still in the preparation phase, we are being intentional about building something that actually works for today's world.

We have seen too many individuals who either do not have access to services or have been removed from programs due to higher behavioral needs. That should not be the end of the road. We are creating a space that meets individuals where they are and gives them a real opportunity to participate, grow, and succeed.

We are also working to address a real gap here in Lucas County for individuals who are deaf or nonverbal and have limited ways to communicate. This population continues to be underserved, and we are being intentional about creating a structure that supports communication in different forms and allows everyone to be involved in a meaningful way. Everyone deserves a voice, even when that voice looks different.

One of the biggest things that will set our program apart is our focus on technology.

The world has changed, and daily life now depends heavily on technology. We want our individuals to be prepared for that. We are planning hands-on sessions where individuals will learn how to use tablets, communication devices, and simple applications to support everyday functioning. This includes things like communicating needs, managing schedules, and building independence through guided, real-world tasks.

At the same time, we are blending this with hands-on activities such as cooking, skill-building, movement, and creative expression. The goal is to make technology a tool that enhances independence, not something that creates barriers.

We are building a space where individuals of all ability levels can grow together, with the right level of support for each person. Because at the end of the day, this is bigger than a program. It is about creating opportunity, building independence, and preparing individuals for the world they live in today.

And we are committed to making sure no one is left behind.







CLOSING MESSAGE

As always, we are grateful for our individuals, families, staff, and community partners.Thank you for trusting us, supporting us, and growing with us.

At Moonlight, we are not just providing services.

We are building lives, creating opportunities, and celebrating every step forward.

And if March is any indication… we are just getting started.

With appreciation,

Moonlight Care Services LLC

COMMUNITY MOMENTS: SIMPLE, BUT POWERFUL

Sometimes the most meaningful moments are the simplest ones. During one of the warmer days in March, Olivia joined several individuals for a walk at the park. There was nothing complicated about it, just fresh air, movement, and connection. And yet, those are often the moments that matter most.

Throughout the month, individuals stayed active and engaged in a variety of ways. From bowling outings filled with laughter to cooking sessions that brought out creativity and independence, there was no shortage of activity. Ryan took initiative by selecting his own cooking session and worked alongside Jordan to prepare a meal that, by all accounts, turned out very well. We will just say… no leftovers were reported. As the weather continues to improve, individuals have also been enjoying outdoor time, flying drones, and exploring new interests.

Nehemiah has taken on a meaningful role in helping with weekly menu planning, showing increased independence and involvement in daily routines.




