

Highlights of 2013

- Began journey to become CARF accredited. After reviewing both CQL national accreditation and CARF, it was our decision that CARF fit our organization best and we would get the most assistance through that process.
- Began a partnership with Buchanan County SB 40 Board—Progressive Community Services, and Resources for Human Development to set up a series of trainings on Person-Centered Planning, Thinking and Organizations in Kansas City to receive training from Michael Smull in person.
- Jake Jacobs was appointed to serve on the Department of Mental Health's System Redesign Committee—looking at how more local control of DD services could be accomplished through a redesign of the DMH DD Division.
- On March 18th we officially started our Advance Call transportation services.
- Our annual 5K had over 300 signed up and earned over \$4000 for scholarships.
- Eitas staff in administration offices and DOT went through a values activity that set forth a number of values that we would base our internal interactions on.
- Began meeting to develop a new Strategic Plan for eitas.
- Jewish Vocational Services decided to close their sheltered workshop.
- City of Kansas City Missouri decided to cut our \$201,000 funding grant.
- Jake Jacobs attended the national APSE conference on sheltered workshop transition.

Highlights of 2014

- Held two public forums in partnership with the Kansas City Regional Office and The Missouri Disability Council to discuss changes in Medicaid Home and Community based waiver rules, sheltered employment issues and system re design.
- Jake Jacobs met with board members of a number of eitas funded providers to discuss the HCBS rule and sheltered employment changes.
- Developed new Title VI Transportation Plan for MoDOT and FTA.
- Alphapointe decided to close their sheltered workshop effective May 31, 2014.
- July 14th eitas started our own internal Utilization Review process.
- Started our fifth team of Support Coordinators.
- Joined the Missouri Disability Council's Employment 2020 group—exploring options to sheltered employment and transitioning.
- On October 20th Jake Jacobs made a presentation to the Missouri House Appropriations Committee for Health and Human Services about SB 40 Boards and their history and contributions to DD services in the state.



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Letter from the Director...

The past two years have really brought home the fact that things continue to evolve and change rapidly with developmental disability research, practice and services. Sheltered employment, that for over 40 years has been the major type of employment support, is under fire from a number of fronts. The U.S. Department of Justice has filed lawsuits against states who are not offering choice in employment; the Department of Labor's exemption from minimum wage is being threatened; and the whole idea of segregated employment is being questioned. Undoubtedly many people with a developmental disability can work in typical employment for at least minimum wage, but funding and providing the proper supports for everyone will not be a simple matter, and changing a long-standing system is never easy. We just need to make sure that everyone's best interests are taken into account when any change is made.

March of 2014 brought us significant changes in Medicaid rules concerning home and community based services. The new rules require much more attention be paid to individual choice, community involvement, community employment, day services and conflict-free management of services. This will require numerous changes in state systems nationwide and has particular concerns for Missouri SB40 Boards who provide direct services to individuals. Again, these types of changes can be very positive and the focus on being person-centered and individual choice are good things, but let's make sure that the system is equipped and properly funded so that no one loses any gain's they have made.

The highlights listed within are just a few of the many things we were involved in the past two years. Please be assured that our dedicated staff continue to look out for the best interest of all, and that the providers we work with and fund strive their best to stay true to our mission and vision.



Jake Jacobs

Jake Jacobs
Executive Director

2013 & 2014 Board Members

The Board of Directors of Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County—eitas are volunteers appointed by the County Executive of Jackson County, Missouri, Mike Sanders.

Anita Parran Barbara Winkler Betty Sharp
Candace Cunningham Melissa Robinson
Mark McCaskill Paula Smith
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Mission Statement

Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County—eitas' mission is to support individuals with developmental disabilities and their families with services that respect their choices, increase their opportunities, encourage their independence, and assist their inclusion in all aspects of the community.

2013 & 2014 Providers Funded by eitas

ACED Program-UMKC Alphapointe, Inc. Blue Valley Industries, Inc. Center for Developmental Disabilities
Children's Center for the Visually Impaired Children's Therapeutic Learning Center
Community of the Good Shepherd Developing Potential, Inc. EXCEL Program Goodwill Industries
Jackson County Parks & Recreation Jewish Vocational Services Job One, Inc.
Kansas City Parks & Recreation Mattie Rhodes Center Rainbow Center for Communicative Disorders
Resources for Human Development Southeast Enterprises, Inc. Special Neighbors, Inc.
Rehabilitation Institute of KC TNC Community UCP Options

Financials

Revenue	2013	2014
Jackson County Taxes	\$ 7,487,895	\$ 7,479,891
Investment Income	\$ 20,255	\$ 12,911
Kansas City Area Transportation Authority	\$ 201,000	\$ 67,000
MO Department of Mental Health—Shared Units	\$ 463,181	\$ 463,181
Organized Healthcare Delivery System	\$ 128,713	\$ 148,157
MO Elderly & Handicapped Transportation Grant	\$ 43,599	\$ 45,144
Medicaid—(Includes Service Coordination)	\$ 6,116,983	\$ 6,210,448
Gain on Disposal of Assets	\$ 89,359	(\$ 27,364)
Other Revenue	\$ 191,258	\$ 153,065
Fund Balance released from Restriction	\$ 86,423	\$ 77,696
Total Revenues	\$14,828,666	\$14,640,129
Administration	\$ 1,456,779	\$ 1,089,155
Transportation	\$ 3,126,202	\$ 3,166,762
Residential	\$ 1,322,061	\$ 1,006,824
Vocational	\$ 2,566,575	\$ 2,579,712
Day Service	\$ 1,319,602	\$ 1,324,768
Transportation	\$ 541,223	\$ 625,735
Support Coordination	\$ 3,638,765	\$ 4,442,473
Intervention	\$ 143,597	\$ 140,853
Property	\$ 415,817	\$ 454,958
Training	\$ 130,419	\$ 123,047
Interest	\$ 129,616	\$ 123,987
Total Expenses	\$ 14,249,433	\$ 14,452,539
Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	\$ 579,233	\$ 187,590
Less Depreciation	\$ 929,815	\$ 867,503
Changes in Fund Balance	(\$ 350,582)	(\$ 679,913)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 25,407,834	\$ 25,117,737
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 25,117,737	\$ 24,484,863