

**FLINTHILLS SERVICES, INC.
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The **Flinthills** Facilitator



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The Happening

Life Skills

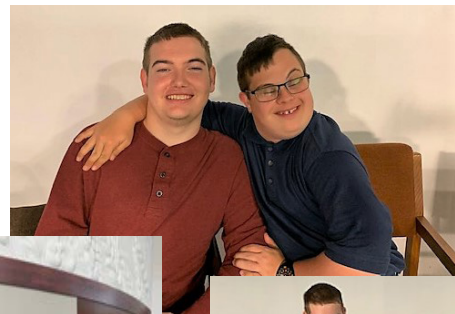
During the last few months the Life Skills Program has been really amping up their activities and inclusion opportunities. For the month of May we made May Day baskets for every resident at a local nursing home, where we also spent time visiting with some of our friends there. We have also recently started helping with the Meals on Wheels Program. Flinthills has always had limited participation in this program, but we have recently expanded this volunteer program to everyone. We have also been trying out different outings that our clients have specifically shown interest in such as The Great Plains Nature center, having an art class in the community, and always a client favorite, going to the Sedgwick County Zoo! Our Andover program continues to remain super involved in the community, and you can currently see some of our client art on display at 1st National Bank of Andover for the month of June.

With all the different kinds of outings we have been going on we are meeting our goal of 85% participation in community integrated activities! Also, being incorporated into our program, is exploring more scientific aspects of things that interest us such as growing our own crystals and making our own tornados. These are all ideas that are fostered at our monthly round table meetings. We are excited to see what our future holds!



Art Display at Andover State Bank

Each summer, our friends at Andover State Bank, Andover State Bank, 511 N Andover Rd., invite local artists to display their work in the bank lobby. During the month of June, Flinthills Services high flow acrylic paintings will be featured. High flow painting allows clients of all abilities to contribute to these one-of-a-kind pieces - and just like our clients, each piece possesses it's own unique beauty! Please stop by Andover State Bank this month to take a look.



"Individually we dream.."

Local Church Helps Out!

Flinthills wants to thank the volunteers from the Missions Team from First United Methodist Church in El Dorado! These dedicated folks came out bright and early on a Saturday morning to help spruce up the landscaping at the Life Enrichment Center. We appreciate the good works that First UMC volunteers do right here in our community!



Flinthills Receives the KAKE/DeVaughn James Wins for Kansas Award

Flinthills Services is proud to receive the KAKE/DeVaughn James Wins for Kansas Award. On Tuesday, May 21, a group of us went out to the KAKE TV studios to accept our \$500 check and film our spot! These funds will help support Special Olympics, and Teen/Young Adult Fun Nights. It was super exciting to get to be on the set and meet some of the KAKE TV personalities.

Craft Corner

The clients have been busy making their wonderful high flow art. We sold nearly every piece we had at the St. Vincent de Paul Tablescapes and at the WSU Neurodiversity event, both of which were in April. We have also been experimenting using it on different surfaces and shapes. We have made some really neat signs and 3-dimensional wall art pieces. We will be gearing up shortly to create a piece that we will enter into Interhab's annual call for art, where they award various individuals and use contributed art as their awards. Also in regards to artistic awards, we will be designing the awards for our upcoming 4th annual Burgers & Brew fundraising event!!! We are so excited when we can share our creativity with the community!

Thomas has also been busy creating his beautiful jewelry as he sold nearly every piece he had between the Tablescapes and the WSU Neurodiversity Event as well! He has been exploring his creativeness with metal clay. Metal clay is finely ground metal that is combined with an organic binder and mimics the consistency of clay. Thomas is able to shape and mold the clay how he wants, apply textures, and cut it out in a variety of shapes and sizes. The pieces then get fired in a kiln where the binder burns off and what is left behind is the metal version of his creation. He has been making items in bronze, copper, and even fine silver!



...together we achieve”



Congratulations 25th Work Anniversary Justin Tharp!!

Justin has been around as long as Flinthills Services - both are celebrating their 25th anniversary this year! Justin has held several key positions at Flinthills over the years: Job Coach, Maintenance Worker, Transportation Coordinator, and currently Justin works as our Production Coordinator.

There are several things about Justin that make him unique. He's always calm in the midst of chaos, willing to help out where ever he's needed, can lift a full-size refrigerator by himself, has an amazing beard, and he wears shorts year-round- even in sub-zero weather!

But what is most remarkable about Justin is his heart - he truly cares for the clients at Flinthills and does all he can to help them reach their full potential. He is loved and respected by everyone at Flinthills and we hope he sticks around another 25 years!

BURGERS & BREW

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY
12 **OCT**
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