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Winona Laundry and Winona Health Partner

Winona Health recently awarded a contract to Winona Laundry (a division of Winona ORC) to provide laundry service for the organization starting in January, 2015. Winona Health generates over 700,000 pounds of hospital



laundry annually and this contract will provide thousands of hours of work for adults with disabilities.

“This partnership is very exciting

for us”, said Executive Director Judie Foster-Lupkin. “We are thrilled that Winona Health has partnered in our shared vision of providing opportunities for people with disabilities and in supporting our local economy.”

“We’re pleased to support another local organization whose mission is to improve the lives of those it serves,” said Rachelle Schultz, Winona Health president/CEO. “This partnership is an example of how working together makes our community stronger.”

In 2013, Winona Laundry opened its doors for the first time after a successful \$1.2 million dollar capital campaign to



construct a state of the art commercial healthcare linen management facility. The facility is built specifically for processing healthcare linens and designed to meet the most stringent healthcare regulations. Staff and clients receive extensive training in the

processing of linens and best practices. Todd Olson, Director of Laundry has been qualified through the Association for Linen Management (ALM) as a Certified Laundry and Linen Manger (CLLM). Other staff members hold certifications such as Certified Linen Technician (CLT) and Certified Washroom Technician (CWT).



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Winona ORC Receives CARF Accreditation



The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) International announced that Winona ORC has been accredited for a period of three years for its Community Employment Services including Employment Supports and Job

Development and several other services. The latest accreditation is the twelfth consecutive Three-Year Accreditation that the international accrediting body, CARF, has awarded to Winona ORC.

Executive Director, Judie Foster-Lupkin stated, "We are honored to once again be awarded the CARF accreditation. It is an affirmation of dedication of our staff to provide quality services to the people we serve."

We are grateful for the continued support of local business and our community for helping us to provide opportunities for people with disabilities to become more independent and improve their lives."

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process. It has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit its commitment to offering programs and services that are measurable, accountable, and of the highest quality. CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process and continuous improvement services that center on enhancing the lives of the persons served.

The 5% Campaign a Success!



The 5% CAMPAIGN

Committing to Life in the Community for
People with Disabilities & Older Adults

The 2014 Minnesota Legislation Session approved a bill supported by a nonpartisan coalition of Minnesotans requesting a five percent rate increase for Home and Community Based Services and it was signed into law by Governor Dayton.

As a result, Winona ORC will receive a 5% increase on

affected services beginning July 1, 2014. This marks the first increase in five years.

Eighty percent of the increase must be specifically allocated to compensation-related expenses. One percent of the total rate increase is tied to quality improvement. In order to retain the full five percent increase, providers will be required to designate a specific quality improvement project that either:

- Improves the quality of life of recipients in a meaningful way,
- Improves the quality of services in a measurable way, or
- Delivers good quality service more efficiently.

If a quality improvement project is not implemented, the increase will be reduced to four percent.

More than 120 organizations joined the 5% Campaign coalition to secure the rate increase.

Thank You Lions!

Thank you to the Winona Noon Lions for the wonderful picnic lunch provided to Winona Occupational Rehabilitation Center and other local organizations on July 8 at Lion's Pavilion in Lake Park. The Lions not only served a wonderful meal, they also delivered a picture-perfect summer day.

Over 30 Winona ORC clients and staff attended this annual event and were served a delicious lunch complete with ice cream bars. All at Winona ORC are grateful to everyone at the Lions for offering such an enjoyable event. Thank you for your efforts and your dedication to making a difference in our community.



New Delivery Truck for Winona Laundry



Winona ORC purchased a 2009 Isuzu N-Series Cargo Truck for daily Winona Laundry operations. Winona Shredding will also be utilizing the truck to pick up lockable bins from businesses with time-sensitive shredding documents.

This 16,000 pound cargo truck, in which a platform railed lift gate was installed, will be able to transport 6,000-7,000 pounds of cargo, which is approximately 10 laundry carts or 20 large shredding bins.

This will be a well used truck with all the exciting opportunities happening at Winona ORC!

15th Annual Golf Event—July 21, 2014

With temperatures in the 90s, it was hot, hot, hot for the 15th Annual Winona ORC Golf event held July 21, 2014 at Bridges Golf Course. A great day of golf, food and fun was had by over a hundred participants.



Winona ORC Caddies

Over \$34,000 was raised to support Winona ORC's mission of providing vocational and employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

"We are very appreciative of the support that is shown year after year for Winona ORC," committee chair Kevin O'Reilly said in a statement. "The support of our sponsors and the dedication of our volunteers is what makes this event such a success. On behalf of the committee, we express our sincere appreciation to everyone who participated."

Special thanks to our matching sponsors, **Bob Kierlin & Mary Burcher** and **Mike & Joette Gostomski** as well as our major sponsors: **Fastenal, MBM Logistics, Peerless Chain, Winona National Bank** and **Winona Radio**.

The **MBM Logistics** team of Larry Greden, Mark Dellenbach, Bryce Galewski and Randy Galewski took **top honors** with a score of 57. Randy Domeyer, Rich Jacobson, Chris Jacobson, and Greg Borcharding from **Merchants Bank** came in **fifth** place.

In **tenth place** were Joe Matejka, Gerard Janikowski, Sharon Stutzka, and Jenny Glowczewski from **Bob Brink, Inc.**

Twentieth place went to Jeremy Miller, Chris Gervais, Gene Pelowski and Greg Davids representing **WM. Miller Scrap Iron & Metal, Company**.

Ted and Patti Biesanz, Julie Gardner and Jim Kronschnabel, playing for the **Ted & Patti Biesanz Family Fund**, took the



Ted & Patti Biesanz Family Fund Team

honors for the **mixed team**. Joe Pomeroy from Watkins landed a hole in one on Hole #2.



Bloedow Bakery Team

Tee Game Winners:

Closest to the Pin - Women

Mary Kosek

Longest Drive - Women

Julie Gardner

Longest Putt - Women

Shelly Leaf

Toss The Club - Women 1st

Theresa Bartelt

Toss The Club - Women 2nd

Sharon Stutzka

Closest to the Pin - Men

Joe Pomeroy

Longest Drive - Men

Mike Bracker

Longest Putt - Men

Jim Yenish

Toss The Club - Men 1st

Ted Biesanz

Toss The Club - Men 2nd

Jim Johnson



Thank You Sponsors!!

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Rachel Besaw Earns FPC



Rachel Besaw, HR Assistant was recently awarded the Fundamental Payroll Certification (FPC) through the examination process of the American Payroll Association (APA).

The FPC designation indicates that she has demonstrated proficiency of payroll concepts in five key areas: Payroll Fundamentals, Fundamentals of Payroll Operations, Paycheck Fundamentals, Tax Reporting and Payroll Accounting Concepts and Professional Payroll Skills and Responsibilities. Attaining the FPC designation is a significant achievement.

Congratulations Rachel!

Seussical!

When the curtains went up on HCO's musical, "Seussical" this June it included some folks from Winona ORC. Tim E. played the hunter and a who; Troy F. played a eagle. Several other WORC clients were included in the play as actors or behind the scenes.



Bob Priem, our Transportation Coordinator volunteered our truck and helped in the set load in and load out. Hats off to HCO on another successful event.

Watlow Crew Recognized

On Wednesday, June 18, 2014, Mike B., Kris E., Rebecca C., Dave B., Laura B., and Ashley S. along with staff members Dan Schneider and Terese Brown were recognized for their commitment and dedication to providing quality service and helping to meet their customers' needs.

Congratulations on your dedication and hard work!



Save the Date!!

Join us for the second annual
Starlight Stroll Run/Walk/Roll
5k and 1 Mile event on
Friday, November 7, 2014 at 6:05 p.m.



For more information,
visit our website at:
[www.winonaorc.org/
starlight-stroll-5k1-mile-walkrunroll](http://www.winonaorc.org/starlight-stroll-5k1-mile-walkrunroll)

Employee of the Month at Winona ORC recognizes employees for their outstanding work performance. Staff nominate clients and the Workers Council members vote for the winner. Congratulations to the following winners! Your commitment to excellence is appreciated by all at Winona ORC!

April

Troy

Troy is a direct hire at Winona State University. He also work additional hours at the Winona Courthouse after his shift at WSU a couple days a week. During the summer break, Troy works at WORC community enclaves.

Troy is an asset to the Winona ORC team and is definitely a team leader.

Congratulations, Troy!



May

Dakota

Dakota is a reliable and easy going individual. He is very respectful towards staff and his co-workers and pays attention to detail while at work.

He currently works 5 days a week at the Winona Health Urgent Care community job site,

Congratulations, Dakota!



June

Michelle

Michelle works at a variety of job sites including the Winona County document scanning community job site.

Michelle works very hard at producing quality work.

Congratulations, Shelly!



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Our Mission:

It is our mission to provide community based employment, vocational training and comprehensive job related skills and services to people with special needs. We will design programs to work harmoniously with other community resources to maximize opportunities to our clients and our community.

We envision a world where all people are uplifted by working. Through pride, dignity, continuous learning and respect for all, we build a healthier community.