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SERVING PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES IN DANE COUNTY FOR OVER 20 YEARS

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MISSION STATEMENT

Supporting adults with developmental disabilities and traumatic brain injuries in realizing their dreams and desires by helping them find the supports and services they need to live and work in the community.

SERVICES WE PROVIDE

Avenues staff, referred to as Support Brokers, provides case management and service coordination to adults in Dane County who live in a variety of residential settings including supported living arrangements, family's homes, and Adult Family Homes.

Service coordination involves developing, monitoring, and implementing an individual's support plan so that they receive the services they need to live and work in the community. Service coordination also involves maintaining a person's eligibility for available funding sources as well as exploring community resources and natural supports.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Avenues to Community Support Brokers focus on individual choice, building relationships, and community involvement for each person. All Avenues staff value family participation and natural relationships. Particular Support Brokers have experience in specific areas including person-centered planning, behavioral and communication issues, law enforcement and the judicial system, issues of aging and mental health, as well as supporting individuals from multicultural backgrounds.

DEVELOPING SUPPORTS AND SERVICES

Avenues Support Brokers conduct annual planning meetings with the person, their guardian, and support team to discuss the person's preferences and service needs. Once the person's service goals are identified, the Support Broker provides on going case management and service coordination.



Support Brokers meet regularly in the person's home and in the community to discuss satisfaction with the provided supports. In addition, Support Broker staff maintain regular communication with the person's guardian, service provider staff, and other members of the support team.

MONITORING SAFETY

Avenues Support Brokers help identify supports that are built around each person's unique needs. People are encouraged to have life experiences where they can safely learn and grow. Avenues Support Brokers provide access to education about home and community safety issues, independent living skills and advocacy.

CREATING COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Support Brokers also provide information about community activities and other resources. Avenues Support Brokers focus on the person's wishes related to community involvement as central points in the planning process. In addition, Support Broker staff identify specific ways the support team can help the person realize these wishes.