

PACE, Inc. Center for Independent Living



November 15, 2023

Dear PACE Supporter,

Thanks to your support and generosity over 1,400 consumers received Independent Living Services during 2023. It is only with your help that we've gotten this far, and I'd like to personally thank you for your valuable contribution to our mission.

This year, PACE experienced major Administrative and Board of Director changes. Even though we accomplished several milestones already and made positive progress, we still have a ways to go to provide all of the needed services this agency provides and ensure that our services will continue for many years to come.

An example of the wonderful impact we have on people is seen in this consumer's story:

Brent's story is inspiring and heart-warming. Despite being told he would never walk again after experiencing a massive stroke, he showed incredible determination and courage to fight for his recovery. Moving to his own apartment through the PACE Reintegration Program gave him the independence and motivation he needed to succeed.

Brent's hard work and dedication paid off. He rebuilt his strength and is now able to walk again. He has also become a leader at his residence and a valued Board member at PACE. His story is a testament to the power of the human spirit and the importance of never giving up on your dreams.

It is also wonderful to hear that Brent's personal battle inspired his son to become a Physical Therapist. His son is clearly proud of his father's accomplishments, and Brent is a role model for many people.

Thank you Brent for sharing your story. It is a reminder that anything is possible if you set your mind to it. (Shared with consumer signed consent)

As this holiday season approaches, I am asking for your support to help others in our community. We want to raise the money that will allow us to continue providing critical services to our community for persons with disabilities- and we need your help!

As a PACE supporter, we are asking for your financial support to continue these services to people who have disabling conditions and to increase the assistance needed for housing, food insecurity, transportation and technology needs, to name a few. Your donation will greatly impact the work that PACE is doing as a Center for Independent Living. During this season of giving, we urge you to support PACE by making a special holiday contribution of \$50, \$100, or any amount of your choice to help us achieve our target goal of \$20,000. All funds raised during this holiday season will go directly to costs of PACE services.

PACE has a long-term goal of raising \$200,000 during the coming year so we can clear the path that will allow the new PACE team to begin adding desperately needed services. We welcome any further support for us to build services to address housing, technology needs and transportation. The targeted amount will cover the remaining costs to add these kinds of services to our agency and guarantee PACE will continue thrive and grow to help individuals and families remain living comfortably in our community.

With your support, we can impact our community in a lasting way. You can make a donation on our website, www.pacecil.org, or by sending a check to our office at 1317 E Florida Ave. Urbana, IL. 61801. All monetary contributions are tax-deductible.

It is compassionate donors like you who make it possible for people with disabilities to remain living independently in our community. PACE serves all ages and all disability types. Thank you, as always, for your continued support!

Wishing you the happiest holidays,

From all of the Staff at PACE, Inc. Center for Independent Living

P.S. Learn more about PACE and our mission on our website: www.pacecil.org. We'd love it if you shared our work with your friends and family!

May your
Season be bright,
Sherry Jones

Happy holidays
Thank you for all you do!
Sharmika Coston

Happy Holidays
and thank you
for supporting
PACE!

Wishing you the Best Always!
William Thibey

Happy Holidays!
Kerry Gonyea

Happy Holidays!
Thank you for your
Support!
Jenny Markson

With love
by
Peggy Ann

Happy Holidays to
you & yours & thank
you so much for supporting
US! Mel Long

Happy Holidays
Jenni Peterson

Michelle Rogers

Seasons Best!
Mary Griffith