



LSF Northern California Adult Services: Employee of the Month

S ocial Dynamics' is excited to announce our June Employee of the Month. Rose Marie Pasang, our management team has seen a lot of improvement in her work since our day program returned to in-person service. "Rosa", as everyone calls her, she often takes initiative and helps leads all staff in deep cleaning and sanitizing the facility to ensure a clean workspace. She is always on top of providing quality service. She does it all with a positive attitude and a smile on her face. Rosa's energy makes the work environment a joyful one for staff and participants. Rosa is an asset to the company. We hope to work alongside her for many years to come. Thank you Rosa for all your hard work.



LSF Children and Family Services in Northern California: Graduation Ceremony





n Friday June 10th, 2022, We Play We Learn hosted a graduation ceremony for 20 graduates. This is the biggest graduating class for us so far! One of our graduate's aunts made the most beautiful and delicious cookies and cupcakes for the occasion. Each graduate was given his or her own individual cookie with a face and name on it. We were also lucky to have our NCL (National Charity League) mother and daughter volunteers make each graduate a gift bag with a graduation tassel, pencil box, crayons, pencil, pencil sharpener, and a ring pop. Each teacher shared the students' responses to what their favorite thing about preschool was, and what they each wanted to be when they grew up. After the ceremony, the families enjoyed refreshments and each other's company! It was a great event and we're excited to know all our graduates are going to do great in elementary school!

LSF Central Coast Adult Services: Staff Training

ere on the central coast we are excited to announce the revamping of staff training that we provide on a monthly basis per Title 17 regulations. We are expecting to provide quality, meaningful and effective learning for staff to utilize in their work with the individuals. We are exploring new and exciting ways to engage learning and implementation of that knowledge in the field with our clients. Some of the avenues we are exploring are presenters, videos, and quizzes. This process will enhance our staff's abilities to provide quality services to our clients through person centered thinking practices. So far we have seen improvements in the understanding of each individuals disability and their specific needs as well as knowing the rights of all Life Steps individuals. We can't wait to see what comes and how this helps our individuals lives for the better.



LSF SoCal Adult Services: Participant Spotlight

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amode is a fun loving, charismatic, friendly Client who attends Life Steps Foundation SoCal Adult services three times a week as a part of the morning session. He has been a part of the Day Program for over 10 years and enjoys coming to hang out with his friends and to work on his socialization skills. Some of Jamode's favorite activities include going out to El Dorado Park to exercise through sports like basketball and going out to eat at some of his favorite restaurants like McDonalds, Louis Burger and Denny's. There is no doubt that the program has been beneficial for Jamode, by helping him form friendships as well as improve his social skills through interactions with the community. At the Seaside Learning Center, Jamode is also an active member of the Wii Bowling League and is the official referee. It is amazing to see Jamode progress towards his goals at such an impressive rate and there is no doubt that he will be successful as long as he continues to keep the same positive outlook and friendly nature that is his personality.

LSF Children and Family Services in Southern California: Participant Spotlight

den is a shy and reserved little boy who enjoys participating in activities with his family. He was referred to Life Steps Foundation for Early Intervention at 25 months due to concerns with his speech and language development. He was reported to use 1-2 words at 12 months of age, but had since stopped using them. He was wary of strangers and would cry and hide behind his mother when there was someone outside the front door. He would also not make any audible sounds other than crying. After receiving early intervention services, Eden easily welcomed the Early interventionist and sat down in a small chair ready to begin class. He now uses a combination of sign language and single word sentences to communicate with his parents. He has also begun to greet familiar and unfamiliar people who walk into the home. He actively explores and plays outside without hiding behind his mother. Eden has gained great confidence in his ability to communicate with his parents and peers. I am very proud of Eden and his family, and I hope they continue to grow together. -Natalie R. (Early Interventionist)

"We are very thankful for everything you have done to help us teach Eden. He is going to miss you!" -Eden's mother





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