Eisenhower Center Summary Report

Information about the Applicant

Eisenhower Center is committed to serve adults with neurological disorders and/or developmental disabilities by providing job training and therapy services, as well as the opportunity for paid employment. Services offered are based on the needs of each individual and are designed to help them live as fully and independently as possible.

Our values: Eisenhower Center improves the lives of those who need us most by teaching, training, and inspiring adults with significant disabilities to reach beyond their limitations and achieve their full potential.

Currently, we partner with more than 20 local private-sector companies, and we also have an in-house dog treat company (www.ikesgourmet.com), which creates jobs for our clients as well. We have a robust enrichment and soft-skill training program that prepares clients for jobs in the community should they choose to pursue this option.

Statement of Need

As the world of disability services and opportunities changes, Eisenhower Center recognizes the need to stay current by offering up to date programming and equipment for our clients.

Our enrichment room has not been upgraded in more than a decade. The following are a list of our current needs:

- Updated computers and educational software and/or online subscription services to help teach soft-skills necessary for social interaction and employment in the community.
- Sensory Enhancement Equipment
- Our clients could also benefit from upgrade sensory enhancement equipment
- Adaptive Arts Therapy Supplies and Equipment: Arts and craft supplies and other material used to create a more robust enrichment and education environment
- In-house t-shirt and promotional project that would allow us to sell our products on the market
- Adaptive Aquaponic Internal Vegetable Garden

Project Goals and Expected Benefits

The purpose of the project is to upgrade our Education and Enrichment room, with the goal of enhancing our clients' experience during their service day.

Project Implementation Plan

Timeline for implementation: Program should be up and running no later than end of 3rd quarter 2023

Project Management Team:

Purchase of equipment and other items Cathy Sadler, Controller

Program Implementation

Aaron Schoen, Operations Administrator

Class Schedule, Client Enrollment Monet Poole, Case Manager

Evaluation Plan

Outcomes will be measured by:

- Successful purchase, renovation and upgrading of our Education and Enrichment Room
- Tracking the number of clients that participate in enrichment program
- Variety of programs offered

Budget

Laptop computers and large screen monitor:	\$ 2,000
T-shirt making and promotional equipment:	2,000
Art Therapy Supplies and Equipment;	1,500
Sensory Equipment:	2,500
Miniature Aquaponic plant bed:	2,000
Total:	\$10,000

Staff Recommendation

The grant application can be approved. The grant will provide for the supplies and equipment necessary to allow the Eisenhower center to continue to make opportunities available to allow persons with disabilities to develop job skills. The grant will provide for things that are allowable under the initiatives of the Foundation.