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Conclusion

Over the past two months, as supporters, we have sincerely appreciated the insightful input and meaningful contributions shared throughout the interview process. The ideas expressed consistently reflected strong engagement, collaboration, and mutual respect among all participants. 🗨️👉

It has been a true pleasure to contribute to and be part of this newsletter, highlighting such positive and enriching experiences within the program. 🌟📖

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all participants for their continued enthusiasm, time, and dedication in making these activities a success. 🙌💙



With appreciation,

Jasmine & Jobari

☀️ Staff Spotlight: Ana Garcia

Ana Garcia has been a committed member of Esperanza for 22 years, serving as a Direct Support Professional. Her longstanding dedication and compassionate approach have made a meaningful impact on the individuals she supports. 💙

During the interview, participants expressed their appreciation for her work, particularly highlighting her nurturing nature and cooking skills. 🍴

Ana shared several activities she incorporates into her classroom, including:

- Dancing 🕺
- Supporting individuals in achieving their personalized outcomes 🎯
- Facilitating community walks 🚶



Her commitment to enhancing the daily experiences of individuals continues to contribute positively to the program environment.

🌟 Staff Spotlight: Michelle R.

Michelle R. has been a valued DSP at Esperanza for 4 years. During the interview, she expressed a high level of satisfaction working within the program and emphasized her positive experience as part of the team. 😊

Participants shared that they enjoy working with her and appreciate her supportive and engaging approach. Her ability to build positive relationships contributes to a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere. 🌈



📌 Program Impact

This activity provided individuals with the opportunity to:

- Strengthen communication and interpersonal skills 🗣️
- Foster meaningful connections with staff 🤝
- Gain insight into staff responsibilities and experiences 📖
- Overall, the interview initiative was highly successful, promoting inclusion, engagement, and mutual appreciation within the program. 🌟



☀️ Weekly Program Highlights March ☀️

During this week, Curtis, Tamiko, Diane, Ivan, and Monique actively participated in program discussions and contributed meaningful feedback to enhance their overall experience. 👥

The individuals expressed interest in organizing a Talent Show 🎤, providing an opportunity to showcase their individual skills and creativity. They also indicated a preference for incorporating Movie Days 🎬 into the program schedule, identifying this as a positive opportunity for relaxation and social engagement.

Additionally, the group proposed hosting a potluck 🍲, which would encourage participation, peer interaction, and foster a stronger sense of community within the program.

The individuals expressed the importance of having instructional staff who speak English, not only Spanish 🌐, in order to better support communication, comprehension, and inclusion within the program.

Curtis demonstrated initiative by expressing interest in assisting with the delivery of classroom supplies 📦, reflecting responsibility and engagement in program operations. Diane also showed initiative by volunteering to assist Carmen 🧡, demonstrating teamwork and willingness to support staff.

As part of a structured group activity, the individuals conducted an interview with Carmen Fernandez, during which they inquired about her tenure with Esperanza. Ms. Fernandez reported that she has been with the organization for 21 years 🏆. The individuals responded positively and expressed appreciation for her consistent professionalism, noting that she greets them warmly and maintains a positive demeanor upon their arrival each day. 😊



Overall, the week reflected active participation, effective communication, and positive interpersonal interactions among all individuals. ✨

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💙 February Highlights 💙

This week at Esperanza Center was filled with 😊 smiles, 🤝 teamwork, and meaningful conversations. Our participants Ivan, Michael, Tamiko, and Monique shared how happy they are to be part of the program. They expressed that they feel supported, respected, and truly enjoy spending time with both staff and peers each day.

🗣️ Interview Spotlight

One of the highlights of the week was a special interview activity. The participants selected **Datone** to interview and asked him if he enjoys his job. He proudly answered, "Yes."

They shared that they are very happy with him because he is helpful, supportive, and takes them out into the community. His dedication and positive attitude truly make a difference every day. 🌈

🎬 Community Trip Ideas

Participants shared exciting ideas for future outings, including:

- 🎟️ Going to the movies
- 🖼️ Visiting museums
- 🍴 Going out to eat at restaurants

They expressed how much they value being active in the community and exploring new places together.

💻 Technology Goals

Technology was another exciting topic this week! Participants would love to have a **tablet room** where they can use tablets for learning activities, educational games, and skill-building programs. They are eager to continue growing and learning through technology.

📸 Photo Spotlight

This week's photo captures a wonderful moment of togetherness at the center. The group stands proudly alongside Datone, smiling and showing the strong bond they share. The image reflects the positive environment, unity, and happiness that make Esperanza Center so special. ✨



We are incredibly proud of our participants for using their voices, sharing their ideas, and continuing to grow each day.

💙 Thank you for your continued support! 💙

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