



# Annual Report

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023



## Opportunity House, Inc.

**Our Mission is to help people with developmental disabilities work, live in homes of their choice, and enjoy community life**

## A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

In August 2022, we began the implementation of a 3-year strategic and operational plan for Opportunity House. The plan is focused on the “mission” of Opportunity House, which is stated as follows: **To help people with developmental disabilities work, live in homes of their choice and enjoy community life.**

To achieve our mission, we have divided the plan into four areas: culture, choice, communication, and community. Goals have been established in each of these areas to support both Opportunity House employees and the individuals we serve.

Opportunity House provided services to 185 community individuals this past year. Those services include residential, day services, home-based, community support, vocational, recreation, and athletics programs. We are proud at Opportunity House to offer a wide array of services to support our clients. Many of the programs we offer are only available due to the generosity of our donors. Thank you.

Throughout this past year we have celebrated our 60th year as an organization. What originated as a modest initiative started by a handful of local families has evolved into a dedicated agency that serves hundreds of adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We thank all past and present board members for their direction and dedication. We also thank our local communities for their tremendous support in enabling us to fulfill our mission.

Best regards,

Tom Matya  
Executive Director



## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Successfully moved into two new group homes in Sycamore and sold our DeKalb Rich Road group home.
- Reduced size of one group home from 7 individuals to 4 individuals to better meet their needs.
- Consolidated the Vocational and Community Supports program, allowing for cross-functionality.
- Digitized all client master files.
- All groups homes have been upgraded with Electronic Medication Administration capabilities.
- Hosted our first all employee Annual Meeting for training and educational purposes.
- Renovated employee breakroom at administrative building.
- Increased the number of individuals served in our Athletics and Recreation Programs.

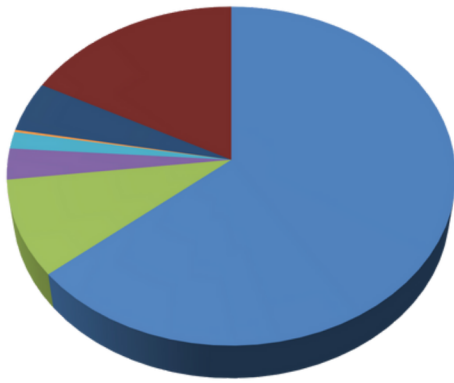
## CONSUMER SATISFACTION

- 83% of individuals served are “Satisfied” or “Very Satisfied” with the services they receive from OH.
- 100% of employers of individuals working in community jobs were satisfied with the services provided by the vocational program



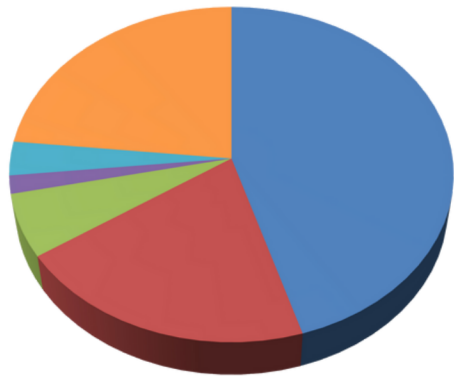


# FINANCIAL SUMMARY



## REVENUE

IDHS	\$5,766,358	63.9%
Client Fees & Third Party Payments	\$828,090	9.2%
Contract Income	\$265,964	2.9%
DeKalb County Comm. Mental Health Board	\$145,000	1.6%
DeKalb County Senior Grant	\$19,777	0.2%
Contributions (includes United Way)	\$431,704	4.8%
Miscellaneous (HUD Fees, Interest, Misc.)	\$1,560,580	17.3%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$9,017,473</b>	



## EXPENSES

Community Integrated Living Arrangements	\$3,250,824	45.3%
Developmental Training	\$1,457,542	20.3%
Community Living Facility	\$434,718	6.1%
Vocational Services	\$125,391	1.7%
Recreation/Special Olympics	\$233,293	3.2%
Administration of All Programs	\$1,677,491	23.4%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$7,179,259</b>	



# PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

## Residential

- Started new training and leadership program for managers and new hires to ensure clients receive the best care.
- Purchased land to build 2 group homes in Genoa, IL..
- Increased the number of client community engagement activities by utilizing floater position.

## OH Industries

- Increase of revenue from contracted jobs which provided individuals the opportunity to increase employment skills.
- Contracted with 5 new businesses to provide jobs for our clients.

## Vocational Services

- Started Group Employment with on-site and off-site opportunities.
- 100% of individuals enrolled in vocational services have community employment.

## Community Supports

- Increased services to unfunded clients.
- Increased service provision hours to clients.

## Home Based Services

- Increased enrollment.
- Transitioned to the Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) process.

## Recreation

- Offered 15-17 different community and in-house activities to over 80 individuals per month. These include activities like concerts, plays, fairs, restaurants, bingo, crafts, etc.
- Experienced an increase in demand for services because of the quality and variety of activities offered.
- Watermelon Explosion Activity had over 200 attendees.

## Community Day Services

- Offered Music Therapy sessions
- Started a partnership with University of Illinois Extension 4-H program.
- Individuals served and staff provided volunteer services for Tails, YMCA, and Meals on Wheels.
- Purchased an accessible therapeutic spa tub to offer individuals options for sensory stimulation, relaxation, relief for joint pain, arthritis, and to increase circulation and mobility. The spa tub is especially helpful for clients who are wheelchair users.

## Special Olympics

- Offered athletes the chance to participate in volleyball, soccer, basketball, golf, softball, bocce, and bowling.
- Opportunity House Athletics sent multiple teams and individual athletes to Special Olympics Illinois state level competitions in FY23.

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-Association of People Supporting Employment First  
-DeKalb County Economic Development Corp  
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-Illinois Chamber of Commerce



### Our Vision

That the individuals we serve and our employees always feel valued, appreciated, safe, & respected both at work and throughout our communities

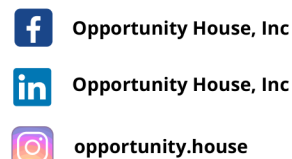
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