# 2015-16 DONOR REPORT



"The measure of **who we are** is what we do with what we have." *Vince Lombardi* 



Making dreams come true.

We are someone with the dream of a job. A home of our own. Taking a step. Riding a bike.

All of these dreams have been achieved because someone not only believed in them, but because they were willing to work to achieve them. It also meant that generous people were willing to invest in them.

You are one of those people. Thank You.

#### Dear Friend:

With your generosity, we have been able to pursue some very big dreams that enhance vital services for children, adults and families, as well as to invest in essential updates to our facilities.

Most notably, your gifts are supporting the \$4.2 million expansion and renovation of program areas on our main campus and in new satellite sites in the community.

The renovation of our central facilities underscores our commitment to encouraging growth and stability in Erie's east Bayfront neighborhood. As our adult day programs here evolve to focus on job training and expanded opportunities, we are updating the space to enable better integration of behavioral health and medical services.

With state and national initiatives promoting a philosophy of "Employment First," we have expanded our job training and placement services to make them available for more adults who want a job in the community. We also continue to strive for greater community inclusion by relocating some programs into smaller satellite locations that are closer to areas where our consumers reside and provide easier access to community resources.

We have always believed that it is important to play an active and integral role in all of the communities we serve to ensure that our children, adults and families have every opportunity to learn and grow. We are fortunate to have more than 2,500 dedicated professional staff who embrace that vision and work very hard to carry it out every day.

We are also blessed to have many friends like you who believe that all individuals with disabilities or behavioral health challenges should have the best support possible to reach their fullest potential. On their behalf, please accept our sincere gratitude for helping to make their dreams come true.

Sincerely,

John J. Barber

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The Barber National Institute has undertaken a \$4.2 million project to renovate and expand facilities on our main campus, including updates to areas providing adult day and adult developmental programs and nursing and psychiatric suites. The investment reflects our commitment to enhancing the environment for our services as well as the stability of our bayfront neighborhood. For information on naming opportunities for the renovated adult day facilities and medical suites please contact Laura Schaaf, director of Giving, at 814-874-5802.

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n behalf of all of us here at the Barber National Institute, we offer our heartfelt thanks to everyone who made a special gift to the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Foundation from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. It is through your generosity that we can continue in Dr. Gertrude A. Barber's footsteps – providing hope, care and opportunity to the more than 4,300 children and adults with intellectual disabilities who turn to our special organization every day to Make dreams come true.

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Victoria Sawka with her brother, John Nedesky

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A renovated gym is better meeting the diverse needs of students and adults at the Barber National Institute. Students Penny Lyle and Wyatt Dlugolenski from the Happy Hearts Preschool at the Barber National Institute join Dr. Maureen Barber-Carey, standing at left, executive vice president, and John Barber, standing at right, president and chief executive officer, to thank donors who supported the project. Donors include Randy Peterman, second from left, representing the Erie Insurance Giving Network; and Peter Russo, representing the Maureen Riazzi Fund of the Dayton Foundation. The gym renovation project was also supported by a \$50,000 grant from Ronald McDonald Charities of Erie; Wal-Mart; and the Panosian-Cornish families in memory of Lori Schloss.

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The Erie Insurance Giving Network completed a two-year \$120,000 challenge grant to help fund a system-wide IT infrastructure upgrade for all Erie County Barber National Institute group homes. Group home resident Tracy Hazlett, seated left, and Tina Mattera, Residential Manager, showed some of the equipment, including new tablets and printers that were recently installed in all 52 group homes. Standing, from left, are Vanessa Munoz, Residential Support Associate at the Barber National Institute; Ann Scott, Community Outreach Manager at Erie Insurance; John Barber, President and Chief Executive Officer at Barber National Institute; Katie Maffeo, Director of Intellectual Disabilities Services; Laurie Callaghan, Director, IT Application Systems; and Jane Davis, Chief Information Officer. The project provided new computer hardware and applications to enhance care for more than 200 adult residents with intellectual or physical disabilities. Paper based records are now being transitioned into electronic records that enable staff to better share important information about medical issues or behavioral challenges in real time to more effectively respond to the needs of the adults.

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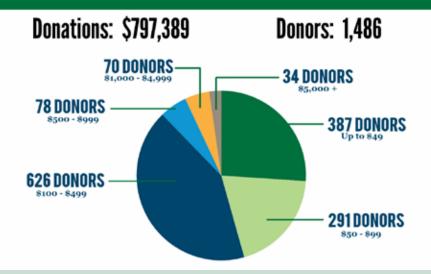


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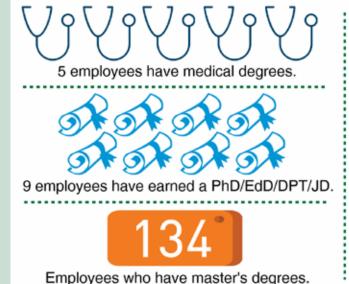
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Gale Williams, Job Coach Philadelphia



"Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago."

Warren Buffett

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# Ready to Ride

Riding a bike is an important part of being a kid, and it's something that Shelton Williams dreamed about for a long time. Last school year, Shelton was introduced to the bike riding program in the Elizabeth Lee Black School with physical education and fitness instructor Gage Bunker. Shelton started riding with training wheels, and over the course of several months, developed skills to balance and steer on his own. This fall, he started riding on his own. For Shelton, the feeling of accomplishment is only surpassed by the fun he plans to have riding his bike with the other kids in his neighborhood.

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